



South Somerset District Council

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RESPONSE

You have asked South Somerset District Council for the following information:-

1. Has your council passed a motion mandating the council area to go net-zero carbon by a given target date?

No, South Somerset have adopted an Environment Strategy which sets out the following:

By 2030 we commit to achieving a significant reduction, in the order of 80%, in our carbon emissions. Our ambition is to be carbon neutral across our own operations and land holdings by 2030 at the latest, and ideally by 2023, so any residual carbon emissions will need to be offset.

We will also work to achieve a significant reduction in emissions and improve carbon offset rates across the geography of South Somerset, through direct action, by supporting the communities of South Somerset to meet their ambitions and through the way we do things; ensuring that working towards carbon neutrality is a thread which runs through all of our decision-making.

We will contribute fully to the work of the county-wide Climate Change Group and by working to address issues collaboratively which have county-wide implications, to achieve our county-wide targets.

2. If the answer to 1) is 'yes', what is the target date?

N/A

3. If the answer to 1) is 'yes', has your council produced an action plan of how to get the area to net zero carbon by the target date? Please provide a link to the plan if it is publicly available.

Whilst the answer to 1) is not yes, we do have a delivery plan within our Strategy which can be found at the following [link](#).

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