

# Climate Action at Oxfordshire County Council



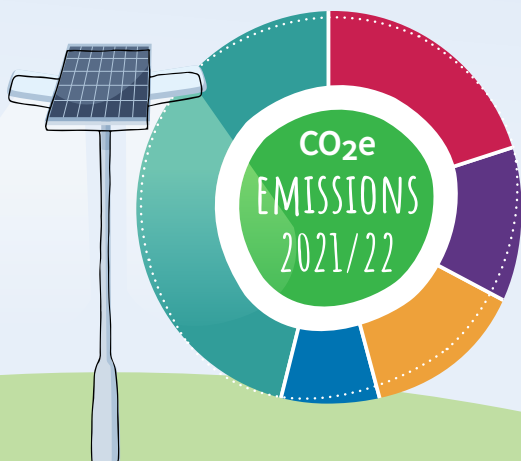
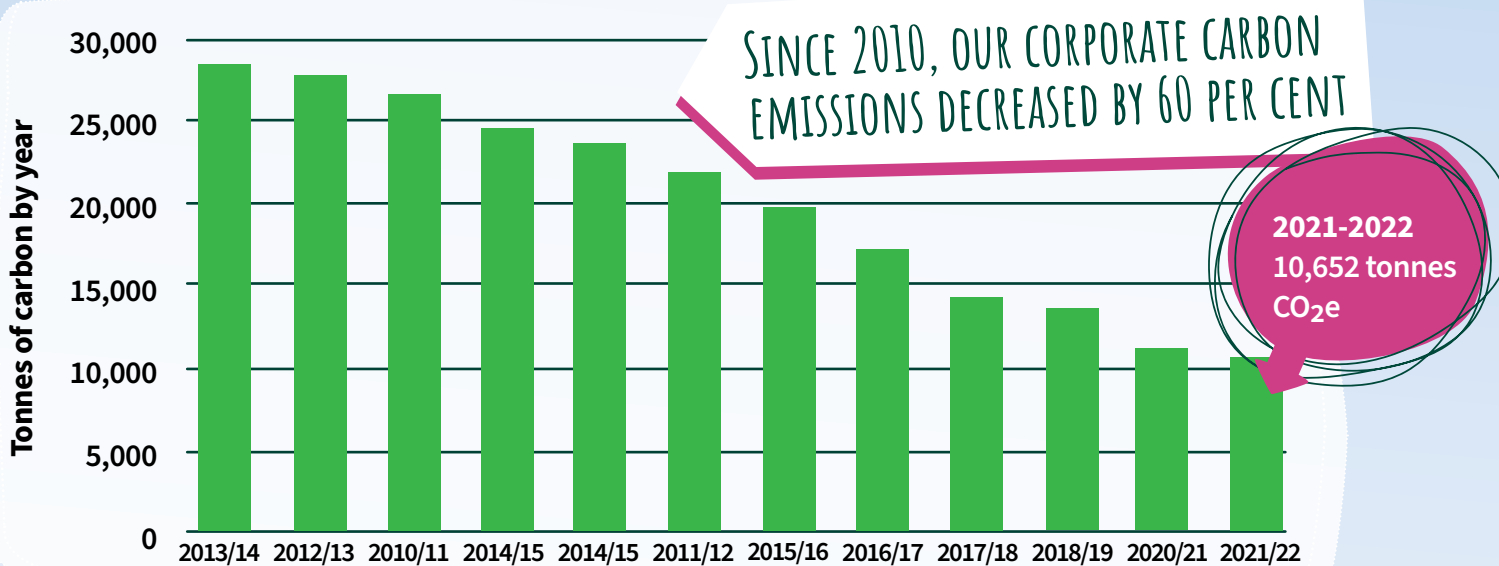
## Oxfordshire County Council acknowledged the climate emergency in 2019.

### The Climate Action Framework, published in 2020, commits us to:

- Operating at net-zero by 2030
- Becoming a climate active council
- Supporting maintained schools to take climate action
- Working with our suppliers to green our supply chain
- Enabling a net-zero Oxfordshire way ahead of 2050

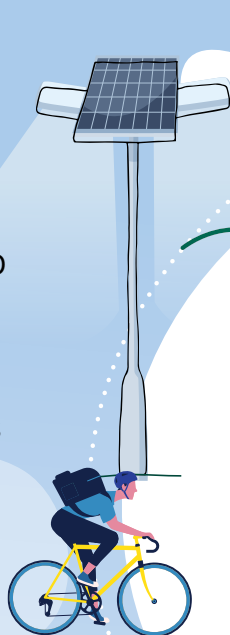


We've been reducing our own carbon emissions, on our way to net zero by 2030.



## How we're cutting down our own emissions

- 87 per cent of streetlighting converted to LED
- Green electricity for council buildings and maintained schools
- 34 electric vehicles (EV) and 46 charge points on council sites
- Virtual meetings prioritised, staff incentive schemes in place to make cycling, public transport and moving to EV easier
- Carbon emissions at eight council buildings and nine maintained schools reduced using grants secured from Public Sector Decarbonisation Fund
- 40 maintained schools supported through our Action on Carbon and Energy in Schools (ACES) programme



### Next ...

- Continuing to decarbonise our estate with energy efficiency measures planned at eight more council sites this year
- Rationalising and electrifying most of our fleet by 2028
- Engaging with our suppliers to green our supply chain
- Continuing to support maintained schools with an invest-to-save loan scheme for low carbon technology



## Becoming a climate active council

- Climate impact assessments introduced to ensure climate is at the heart of our decision making
- 200 colleagues completed carbon literacy training
- Receiving a bronze Carbon Literacy Organisation Award for the training programme
- Engaging staff from all areas of the council in reducing carbon emissions via our staff led climate action group

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### Next ...

- A carbon accounting framework and toolkit to support decision making
- Rolling out carbon literacy training
- Developing a net zero investment strategy



# How we're helping Oxfordshire become net-zero and tackling climate change

- Adopting a local connectivity and transport plan with a zero-carbon vision
- Securing £500,000 Active Travel Capability funding to invest in walking and cycling routes across the county
- Installing 240 park and charge EV charging points in council car parks
- Introducing a zero-emission zone in Oxford city centre
- Helping residents recycle, reuse and compost 58.2 per cent of all household waste – top place in England for ninth year in a row
- Improving energy efficiency in 371 homes through Sustainable Warmth Fund
- Supporting 100+ community-led climate action groups, the largest network of its kind in the UK
- Launching a resident facing website 'climate action Oxfordshire'
- Leading the delivery of a cross Oxfordshire net-zero route map and action plan through Future Oxfordshire Partnership (FOP)
- Completing Project LEO (Local Energy Oxfordshire) with our partners successfully providing a blueprint for the energy system of the future
- Planting a tree in every parish in Oxfordshire – 450 in total

## Next ...

- Developing an adaptation and climate resilience strategy
- Collaborating with local authority partners to develop an Oxfordshire Local Area Energy Plan
- Continuing to work in partnership to build on the energy insights tool developed as part of Project LEO



- Energy efficiency measures on 310 homes over the next two years with funding secured from the Home Upgrade Grant
- Developing a countywide cycle network linking urban areas and villages
- Increasing Oxfordshire's tree canopy



- Rolling out up to 500 EV charging gullies to enable connections between wall-mounted chargers and kerbside vehicles.
- Piloting EV car clubs

