

Eastbourne 2020 #thecomunitydeclaration

These objectives set out how Eastbourne can address some of its biggest challenges – be it energy and food security, getting around cheaply or coping with the chaotic weather. Each one is achievable. How? Many local people and organizations share the same vision of Eastbourne becoming a sustainable, resilient, community based town. The work has already started and progress achieved but the pace towards the fulfillment of these objectives will quicken.

Our Shared Steps To A Sustainable Future



Energy

- ▶ Reduce carbon emissions from homes, schools and businesses by 40%
- ▶ Develop long term plans for energy self-sufficiency
- ▶ Have at least one neighbourhood that is 'off-grid'
- ▶ Set up renewable community energy schemes across the town
- ▶ Make buildings more energy efficient so they use less energy
- ▶ Have a thriving green economy



Transport

- ▶ Reduce carbon emissions by 40%
- ▶ Make Eastbourne a Cycle Town and deliver the planned cycle path network
- ▶ Have an energy network to support cleaner vehicles
- ▶ Have a car sharing scheme – so people can share the cost of transport
- ▶ Have a quality bus partnership to ensure people have access to affordable and good public transport



Food

- ▶ Ensure Eastbourne has a resilient food supply chain, especially for those on low incomes
- ▶ Ensure households have access to locally grown food
- ▶ Have multiple community food growing areas
- ▶ Develop community orchards
- ▶ Have a town-wide garden food share scheme



Waste

- ▶ Maximise waste as an asset – for its energy, organic matter for growing, and capture of useful materials
- ▶ Have a recycling hub that turns unwanted items into useful consumables
- ▶ Have a commercial waste collection service
- ▶ Reduce the overall amount of waste collected



Green Spaces

- ▶ Have Eastbourne Park as the largest public green space in the town, supported by good cycle and walking access
- ▶ Have dedicated 'green corridors' that promote biodiversity
- ▶ Ensure that the character of our downland is maintained but flexible to the needs of the town
- ▶ Parks are community hubs for activity and leisure



Climate Change and Extreme Weather

- ▶ Reduce our carbon emissions by 40% by 2020 and 80% by 2050 to help to limit the temperature increase to 2 degrees
- ▶ Have a dedicated community resource to plan, coordinate and take forward our adaption to the changing climate



Water

- ▶ To reduce our water consumption so we consume no more than 100 litres a day per capita
- ▶ Identify any issues for local water supply to ensure water supplies are not put at risk e.g. Fracking
- ▶ Increase awareness on how to use water sensibly
- ▶ Ensure the water resources management plan is delivered
- ▶ Introduce rainwater harvesting

