

Eden District Council

**Council
11 July 2019**

Motion on Notice

Motion by Councillor V Taylor

This motion calls on Eden District Council:

1. To declare a Climate Emergency and an Ecological Emergency.
2. To aim to make Eden District carbon neutral by 2030, taking into account both production and consumption emissions.
3. Critically to evaluate the ecological impacts of all Eden District Council's decisions and actions; to refuse initiatives that will result in the degradation of the natural environment and biodiversity; and actively to promote the safeguarding and improvement of the natural environment.
4. To prepare, by the end of 2019, a strategic plan to achieve zero carbon emissions by 2030, across all activities for which the Council is responsible, working with independent expert advisory groups to ensure the council adopts best practice.
5. To call on the UK Government to provide the powers, resources and funding to meet a 2030 zero carbon target across Eden District.
6. To work together with other councils, public and private sector organisations (within Eden, Cumbria, the UK and internationally) to determine and implement best practice methods to achieve zero emissions in Eden District by 2030.
7. To facilitate the involvement of Eden's residents, from schoolchildren to elders, in formulating plans to address the climate and ecological crisis, delivering those plans and monitoring their progress.

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