

Frome's Climate Emergency Action Plan



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Climate Workshops

- Energy, transport resources
- Frome College
- Clean, healthy future workshops with 300 school children
- Ideas from children's school strike
- Rob Hopkins talk



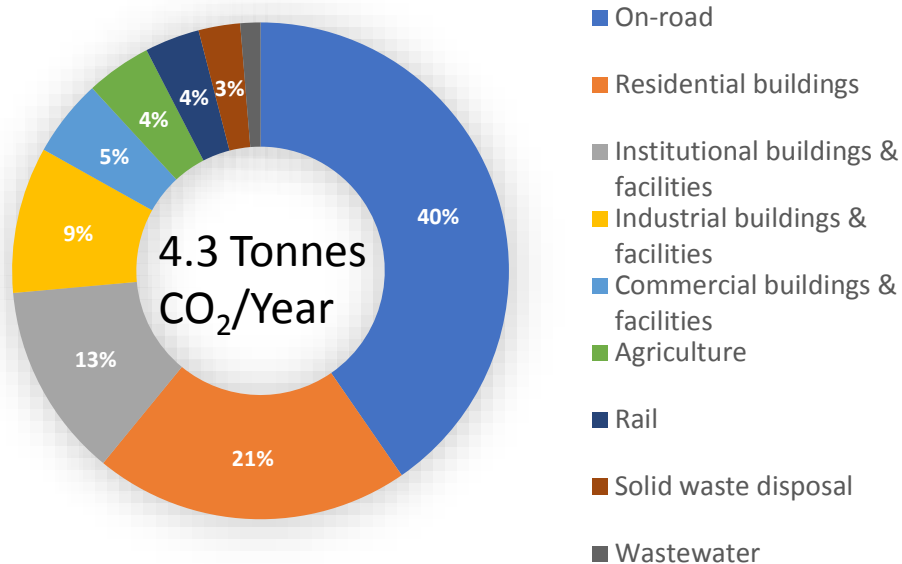
Imagining the future



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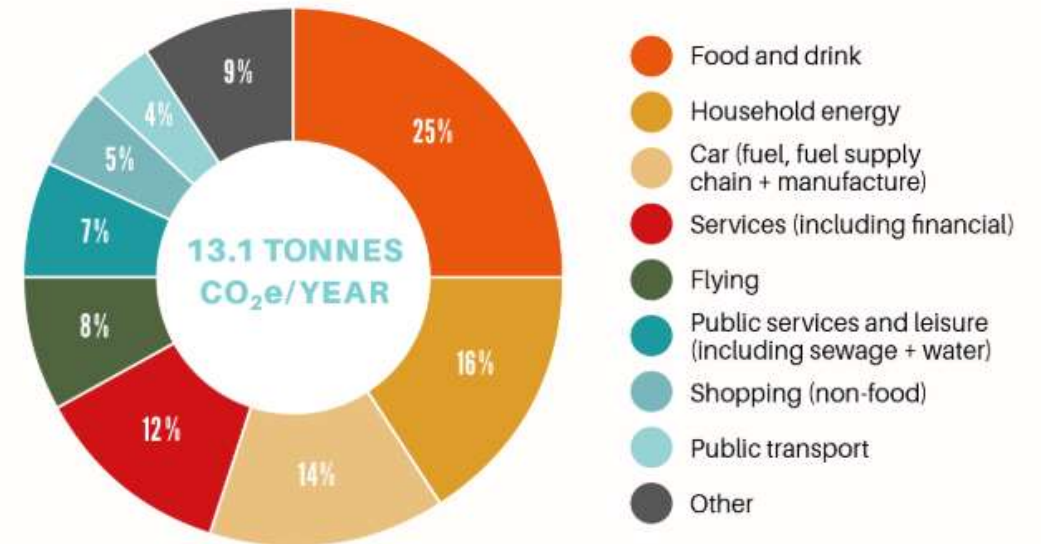
Our Footprint

Frome's Carbon Dioxide Emissions



Source: Scatter
120,400 tonnes

AVERAGE CARBON FOOTPRINT IN THE UK*



Source: Mike Berners Lee – Small World Consulting
366,800 tonnes

Solutions prioritised using Project Drawdown

Energy

- Linked with [CSE](#) in Bristol and NEA to train volunteers
- Link with [Evolve](#) to promote free and discounted insulation
- [Open Homes events](#)
- Lend thermal imaging camera to residents
- Annual [Improve Don't Move](#) and [green directory](#)



Energy

- Supported [Frome Renewable Energy Co-op](#) to install 200kw of solar
- [Solar streets](#) discounted solar offer
- Free solar for business working with [Green Nation](#)
- [Energy sparks](#) helping schools reduce energy
- Lobbying Somerset District Council to divest their pension fund



Energy – next steps

- Understand our housing stock and explore retrofit opportunities
- Saxonvale – community owned microgrid and zero carbon heat network
- Train energy champions
- Explore innovative energy models



Transport

- Annual school [Active Travel Challenge](#) with 2000 pupils.
- Electric bike hire
- Five free electric charge points installed via [Zero Carbon World](#)
- Linking with [Book My Charge](#) to enable domestic charge points to be shared
- Enabled Co-Wheels to provide shared hybrid vehicles



Transport – next steps

- Map safe walking and cycling routes, mobility patterns and deliveries
- Increase use of Critchill Bike Workshop
- Expand [Active Travel Challenge](#)
- Enable long term borrowing of electric bikes
- Link with [Book My Charge](#) to enable domestic electric charge points to be shared



Resources

- Worked with [Edventure Frome CIC](#) to set up the UK's first Library of Things: [SHARE](#)
- Worked with [Edventure Frome CIC](#) to set up the UK's first [Community Fridge](#),
- Refill and plastic free

Next steps:

- Planting thousands of trees – currently recruiting tree officer
- Support and explore local food growing



Other activities

Good Business Framework:

monthly visits to local businesses to promote and support environmental, social and economic best practice

Fundraising:

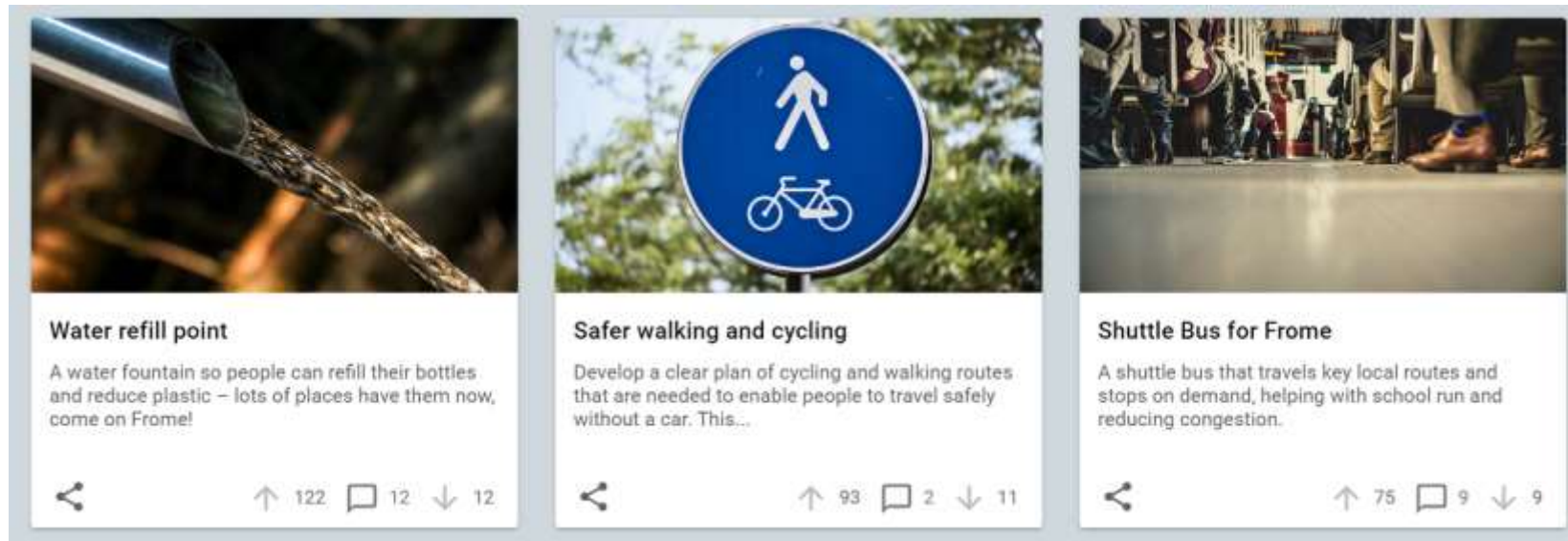
£900,000 secured in five years through external grants and community shares.
Climate Action Fund – partnership with Medical Practice



Whatcombe fields, 32 acres saved by the local community using community shares

Next Steps

- Work with CSE to measure impacts and track progress
- Communications - Your Priorities
- Explore funding
- Monthly climate working group meetings
- Full report and action plan to council 18th March



Next steps

- Link with Mendip and Somerset re planning and transport
- Somerset consultation: online until 25th Feb, drop in session at Mendip Sat 22nd Feb
- Mendip Climate Summit: Tues 3rd March, 7-9pm, Frome Town Hall
- Work more closely with local community
- Trees, energy training and workshops, repair and air monitoring
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