

RTW Town Forum

Climate change and Carbon reduction

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Climate and Biodiversity Emergency

Corporate – Council own estate
and services

Corporate Carbon Descent Plan

Borough wide – Climate Change
Strategy (draft document)

***Tackling the Climate Emergency
Together***



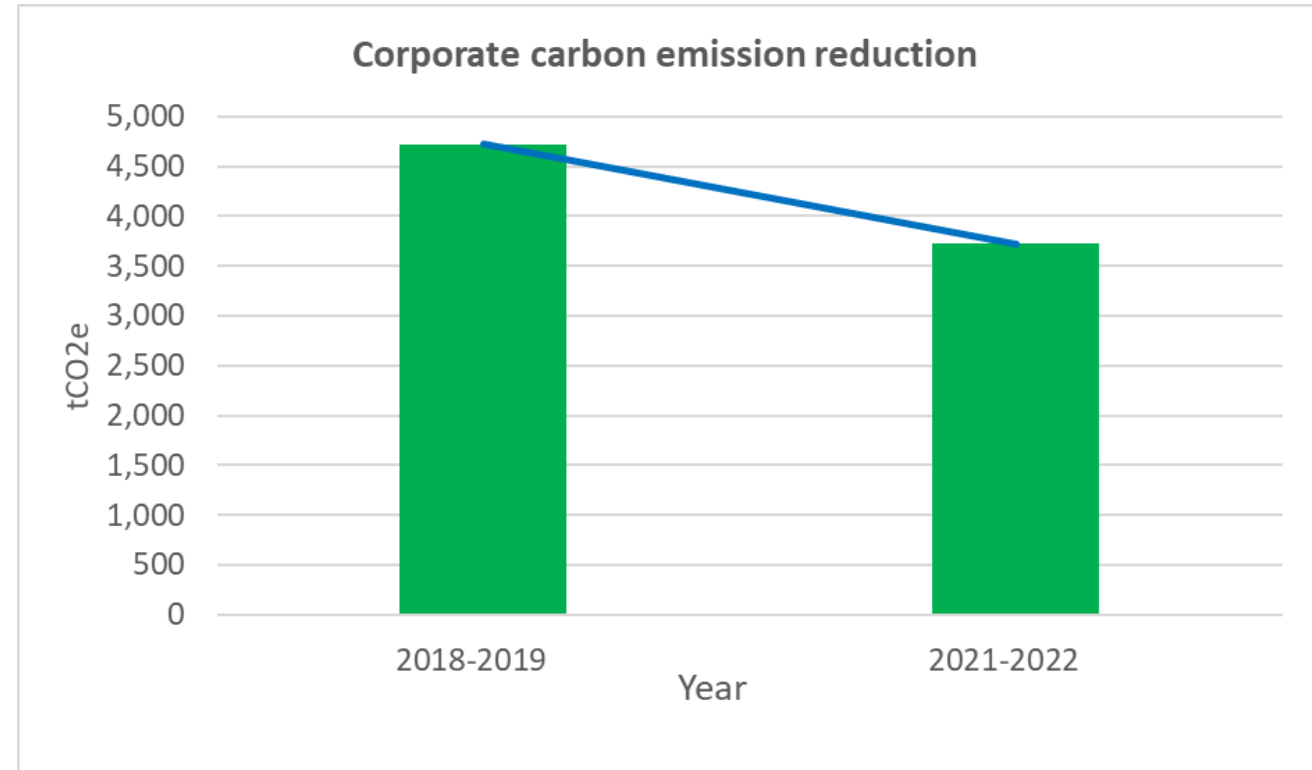
Corporate Emissions

Greenhouse Gas Assessment

21% reduction from 2018/19 to 2021/22

Grant funding – property improvements ongoing
£1.4M Weald and Depot

Carbon Impact Assessments for all projects



Corporate Activity

- Solar Together Kent - a solar panel and battery storage group-purchase scheme.
- Climate Action website updated – resources and community stories
- Pesticides and herbicide policy to reduce chemical use within our parks and green spaces.
- Sustainable Procurement Policy



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CLIMATE ACTION





THE GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK



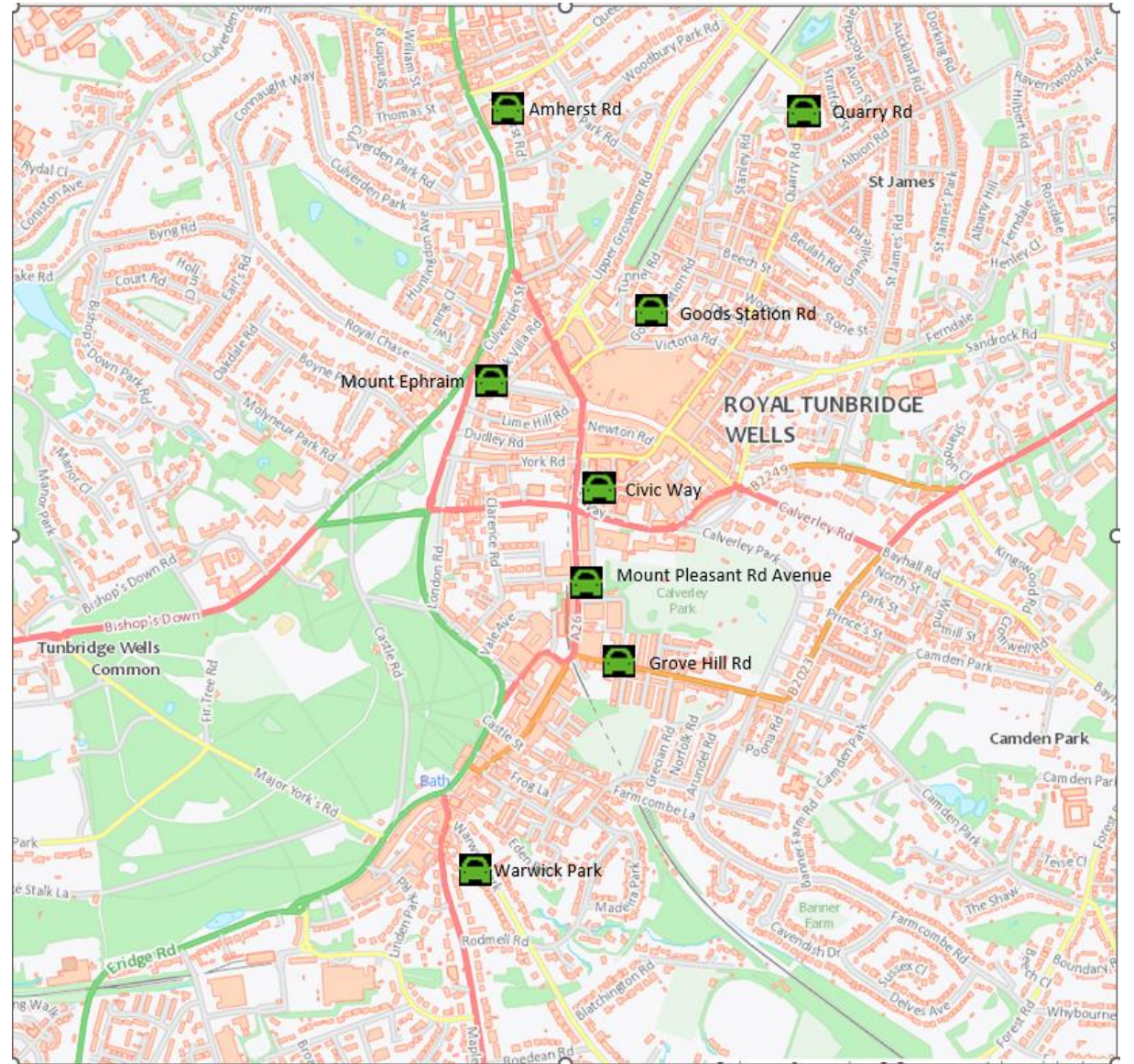
Women IN SUSTAINABILITY



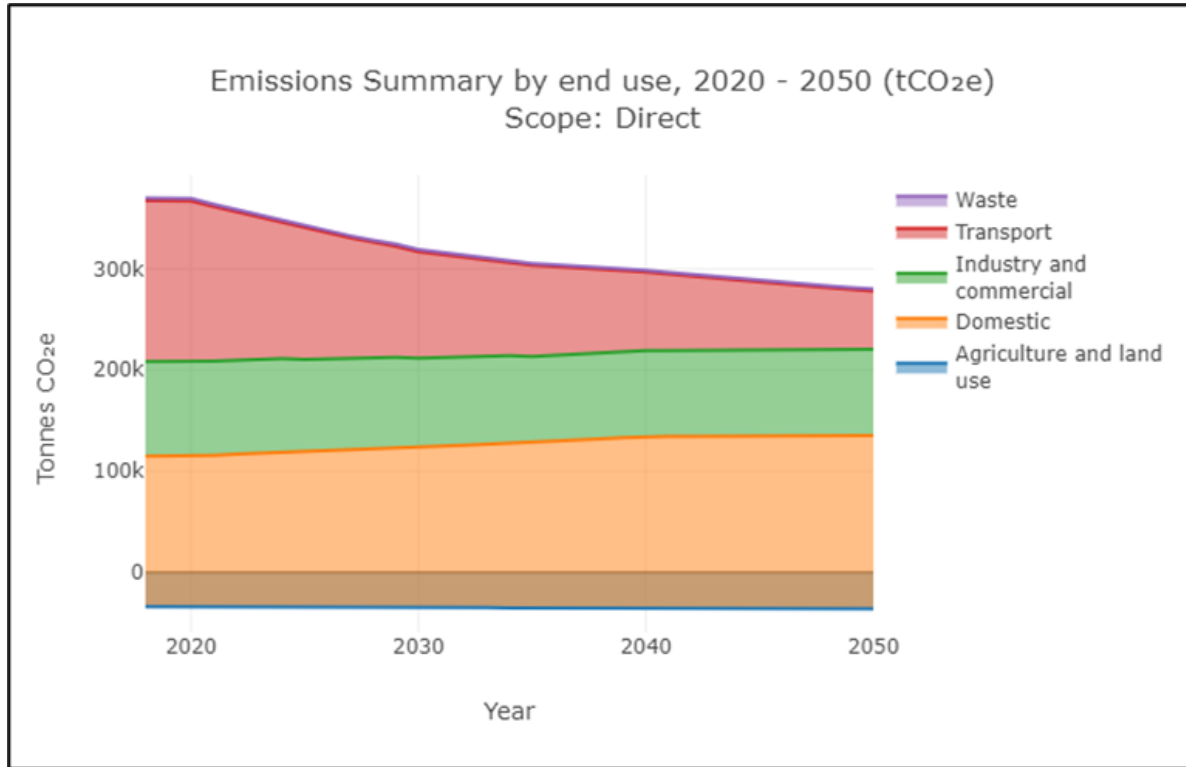
Car club – 8 cars

Affordable,
flexible
and eco-
friendly

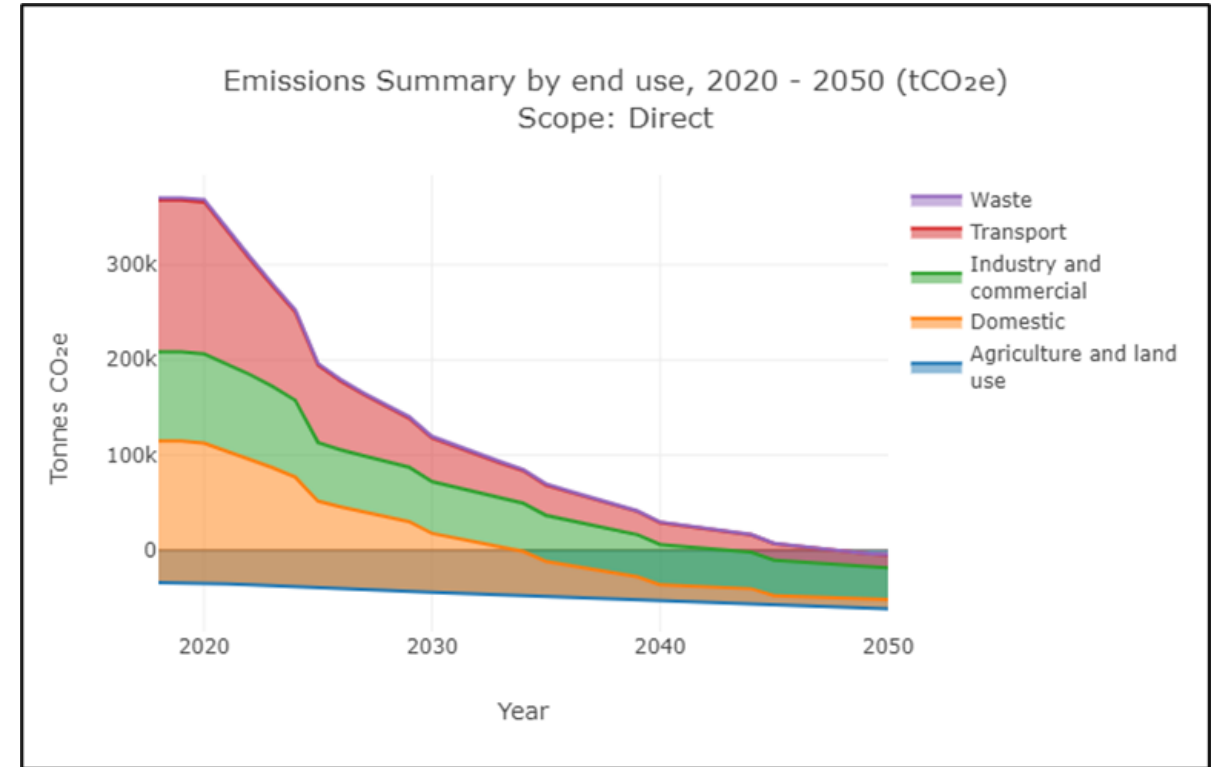
It's
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us having to
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Borough wide Carbon Reduction Strategy

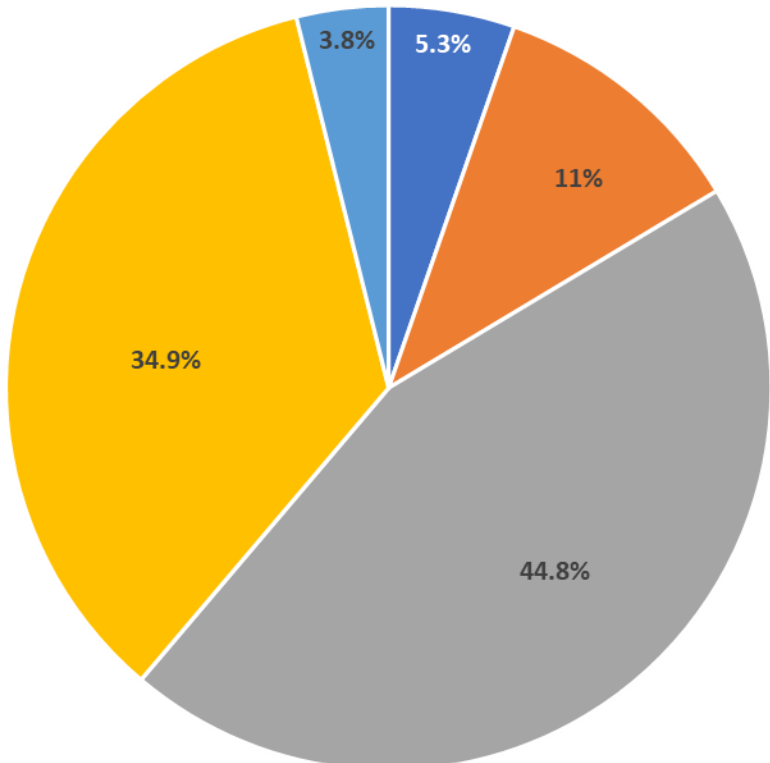


Tunbridge Wells Business as Usual (BAU) pathway 2020-2050 (BEIS)



High Ambitions pathway 2020-2050

Percentage of CO₂ emissions per sector 2020 - Tunbridge Wells Borough



■ Industry ■ Commercial ■ Domestic ■ Transport ■ Agriculture

What we're doing across the borough



Waste

This section covers waste reduction, reuse, and recycling across the borough as well as engagement strategies to change relationships with resource consumption and wastage.



Buildings and energy efficiency

How to deliver energy efficient housing and increase EPC ratings, retrofitting existing stock, private properties and reducing the number of those living in fuel poverty.



Communities and engagement

Engaging and empowering the community to take part in climate action and to encourage others to do the same.



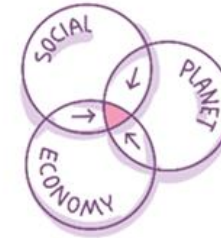
Natural environment

Actions which will improve green spaces and generate a net gain in biodiversity across all sectors, in line with the Council's and Kent nature partnership biodiversity strategy.



Transport

This section covers public transport, active travel (walking + cycling) and electric vehicle infrastructure and strategies to encourage behavioural change.



Adaptation

Covers actions that prepare for the effects of climate change and promote community resilience.

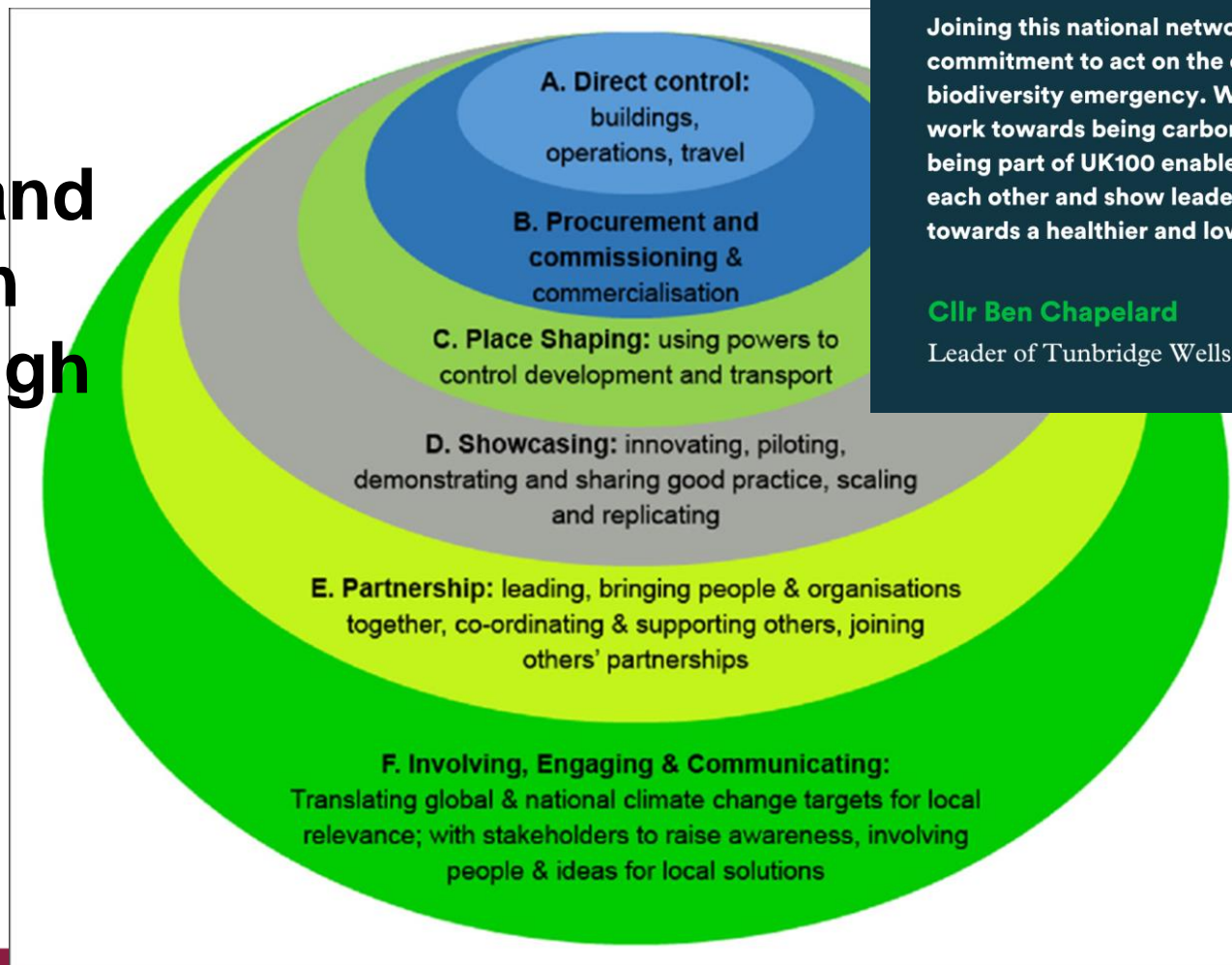


Renewable energy generation

Decarbonising the energy network through the promotion of renewables and the possibility of community energy projects.

Next Steps

Collaboration and consultation on the draft Borough wide Carbon Reduction Strategy



Joining this national network demonstrates our commitment to act on the climate and biodiversity emergency. We have pledged to work towards being carbon neutral by 2030, being part of UK100 enables us to learn from each other and show leadership in moving towards a healthier and low carbon world.

CLlr Ben Chapelard

Leader of Tunbridge Wells Borough Council



UK:100

'Onion' diagram: the layers of local authority control and influence on greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions - Coxcoon R and Roberts S (2020)



Questions