

# Working with Local Authorities

## Net Zero Now

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**South  
Cambridgeshire  
District Council**



# Climate and Environment @ South Cambs

- Small team but we link with and imbed our work across service areas
  - Aiming to be 'Green to Our Core'
  - Climate Impact Assessment for all bids
- Political support – dedicated Climate and Environment Advisory Committee
- Equipping communities to take action on climate change at a local level
- Projects on our own estate:
  - Electrifying refuse fleet and Waterbeach solar farm
  - Housing stock retrofit and biodiversity on housing land
- In the District:
  - Private housing retrofit with Cambs councils
  - Upcoming Local Climate Action Conference (28 Nov)





**Carbon Literate  
Organisation**  
Bronze



# Funding and Grants



**Zero Carbon Communities  
Community Chest  
EV Charging  
Six Free Trees**



# Sharing Knowledge and Success

- Cross-promote and publicise – use Council Comms to reach beyond your usual audience (newsletter/ZCC socials)
- Sign up to our ZCC newsletter and contribute if you can
- Look out for future ZCC Green Connect networking/info events
- If you have an event to publicise, a resource to share, let us know!

# Making the Council Work For You

- Engage with your elected members!
  - Action within the Council is often brought about by an interested councillor; they decide priorities
  - Remember, meetings of council committees and advisory groups are open to the public
- Encourage your parish council (if they haven't already) to make climate change a priority – our website has a climate toolkit and other resources



# Contacts and Follow Up

[zcc@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:zcc@scambs.gov.uk) – sign up for our newsletter, any queries about funding, communities etc.

[homeenergy@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:homeenergy@scambs.gov.uk) – enquiries about home energy upgrades

[Evcp.grant@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:Evcp.grant@scambs.gov.uk) – EV charging enquiries

[Community.chest@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:Community.chest@scambs.gov.uk) – smaller grants

Action on Energy (image linked)

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