

Responding to the Climate Emergency

Parish Liaison Committee Briefing
July 2019



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The IPCC Report 2018

- Need to reduce CO2 by 100% by 2050 to limit warming to **1.5°C**
- Currently off-track and heading for **3°C +** – catastrophic
- Hence need **45% cut** by **2030** to get back on track
- **But, faster, sooner, will be better**



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The Protests



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The B&NES Resolution, 14 March 2019

- Declare a **Climate Emergency**
- Provide **leadership** to enable carbon neutral B&NES by **2030**
- Sign up to the UK100 Clean Energy Pledge (100% clean energy by 2030)
- Enable **citizen engagement**
- **Oppose** expansion of Bristol Airport



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- Identify work across **all council functions**
- Work with **WECA** to ensure ambitious WoE Energy Strategy
- Develop an **action plan** & report to Council in **October** (and report annually thereafter)



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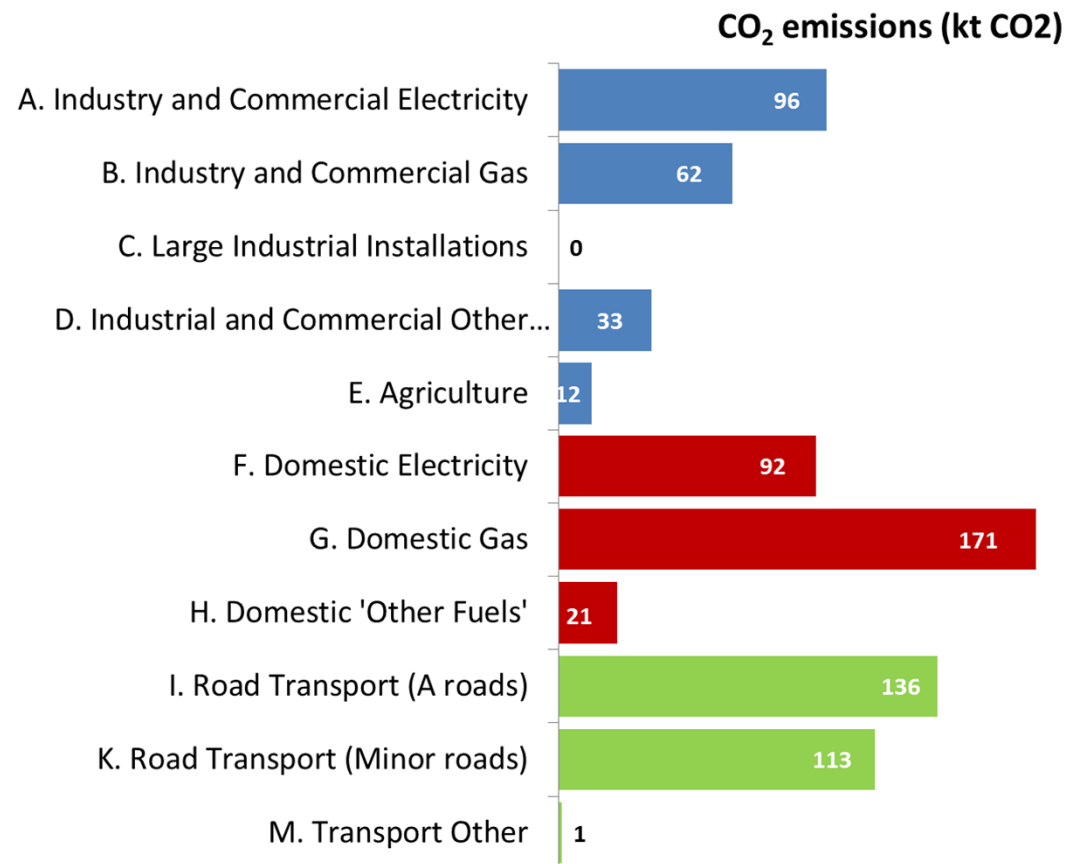
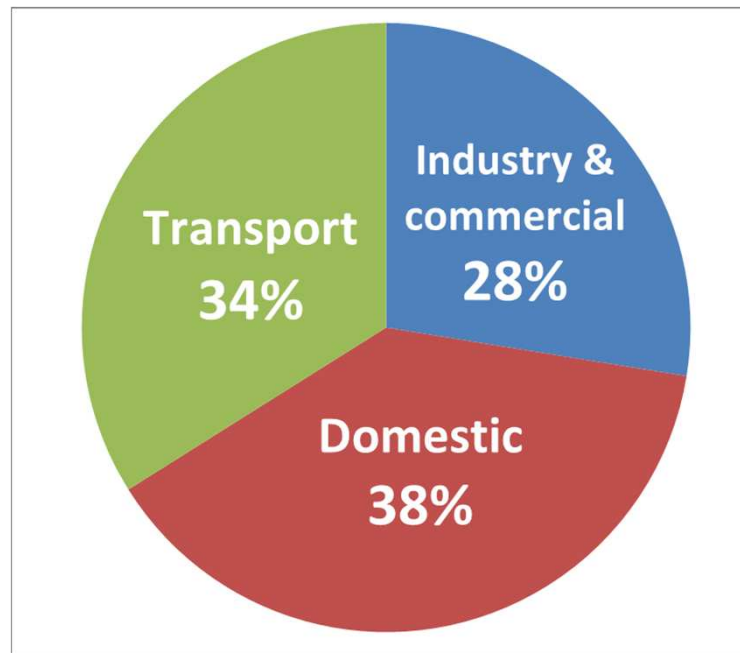
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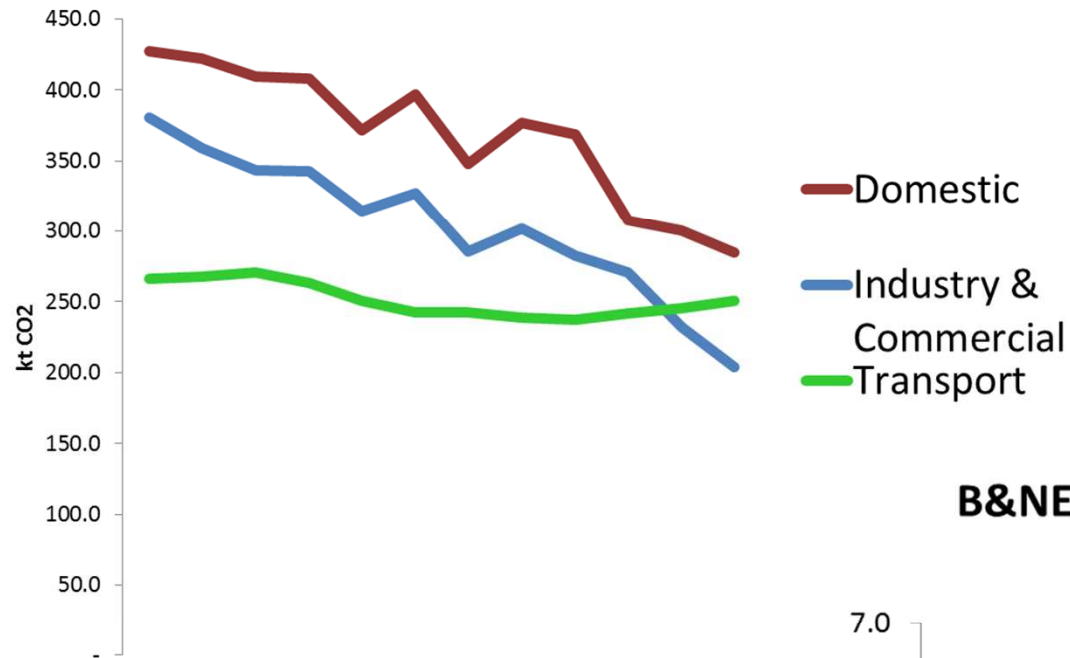
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B&NES 2016 CO₂ emissions by sector



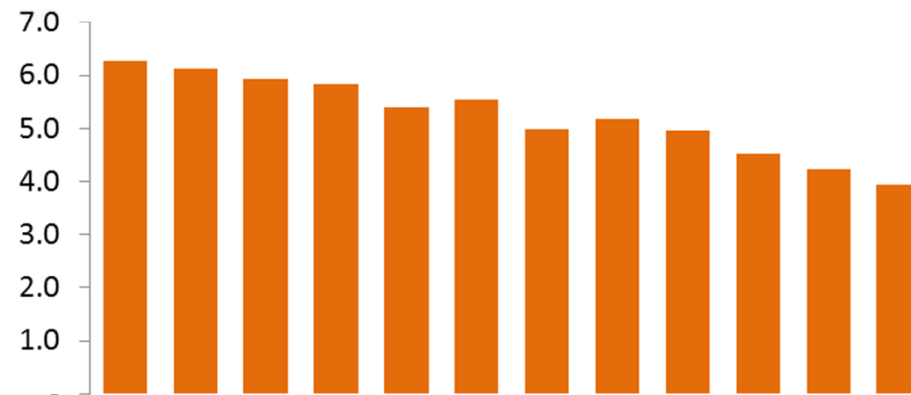
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B&NES area carbon emissions by sector - 2005 - 2016



B&NES LA area data
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B&NES area per capita emissions (t) 2005 - 2016



Carbon beyond energy

We are also responsible for '**outsourced**' carbon emissions from:

- What we **buy**
- What we **eat**
- How much we **fly**

And for **carbon sinks (absorption)**:

- How **land** is managed
- How much **tree cover** we have



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B&NES Action Planning

- More detailed **carbon foot-printing**
- **Pathways** to carbon neutrality 2030
- **WoE Energy Study** action for B&NES
- **Priorities & first actions** – across the community, **WECA** and **central government**
- **Citizen** carbon foot-prints and **actions**



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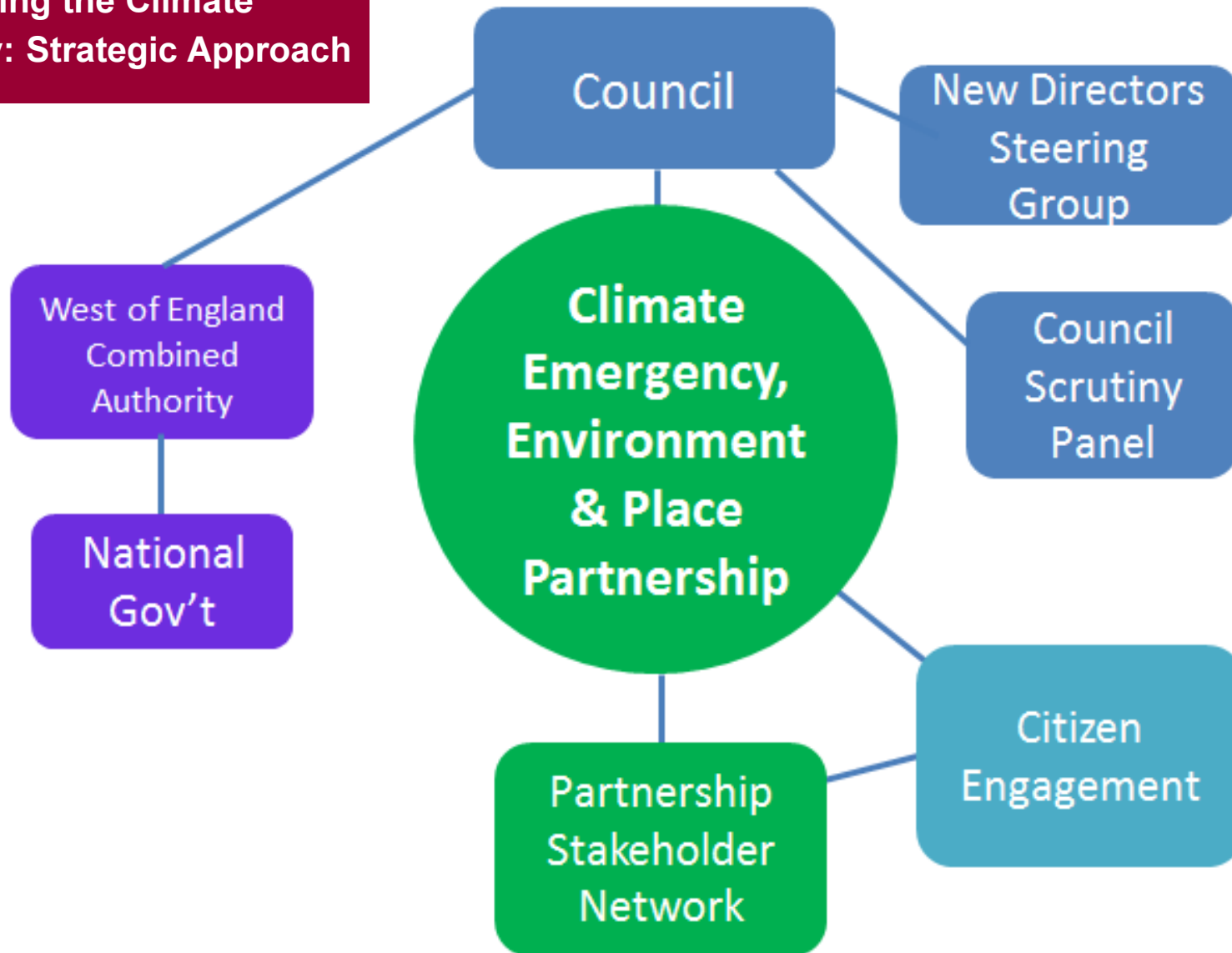
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**Tackling the Climate
Emergency: Strategic Approach**



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Timetable

- **31 July 2019** - First stage research complete
- **August and September 2019** – Develop and draft progress report
- **September 2019** - launch of new Climate Emergency Partnership
- **10 October 2019** – Full Council – first Climate Emergency report
- **October 2019 to March 2020** – possible Citizen Assembly
- **February 2020** – Full budget-setting Council



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Support for Parish Councils

- **Freshford have declared a Climate Emergency**
- **Others are thinking about it**
- **We can support you if your parish is interested, including a template (in development)**



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