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RATTERY PARISH COUNCIL, DEVON

Rattery parish council is tackling climate change locally by declaring a climate emergency and creating an action plan locally:

1. Rattery parish council started by offering every household a free tree this winter to be planted in people's own gardens, or around Rattery town.
2. The council had a 'climate and environment' stall at their recent annual garden/sports show, where they offered free trees and had information about local wildlife, parish council climate and environment actions and tips and guidance for residents to take locally.
3. Rattery is working and partnering with their neighbouring parish council, South Brent, in a newly-established Zero Carbon Group (a working group of the charity 'Sustainable South Brent'). Both Rattery and South Brent have parish council representatives in this group. One of the main aims is to hold a 'Climate and Environment Fair' next spring.
4. Rattery Parish Council have 'Environment' and 'Climate Heating' sections on their website, on which they post information for residents on local plastic recycling, ash tree dieback and so on. The councils also disseminate information via their Rattery Google-group e-mail, which about half the parish has joined, in addition to the usual noticeboards.

Has your council done something similar? If so, please contact NALC through the email address: Claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk

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