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Wimborne Minster Town Council declared a Climate Emergency at their Full Council meeting in July 2019. The council set up a Task and Finish Group to look into proactive measures and policy creation. The Task and Finish Group met monthly and created project streams specific to climate change topics:

- Buildings
- Biodiversity and Land
- Waste and Recycling
- Plant and Machinery

One of the key tasks that the council is taking steps to reduce polluting chemicals used in the operation of the town council, such as weed killing. Other purposes of the Task and Finish Group are:

- To identify opportunities to reduce carbon footprint and increase biodiversity within the boundary area
- To conduct research into various energy savings technologies, including potential suppliers, prices, and change time-spans to implement
- To consider the ability to reduce waste e.g. looking at single use plastic and recycling opportunities.
- To attempt to influence other people and organisations e.g. residents and businesses where they are able to also make positive changes to support the policy, thereby increasing the overall benefits to the town and beyond

Has your council done something similar? Then get in touch by emailing Claire.goldfinch@nalc.gov.uk

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