



CAMDEN CLIMATE ACTION, ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE

Annual Review 2023-2024

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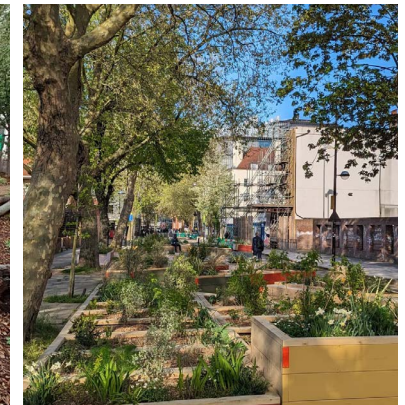
Camden's Climate Action Plan was published in 2020 after Camden held the UK's first Citizens' Assembly on the climate crisis. The Climate Action Plan responded to the recommendations of the Citizens' Assembly and wider community, and since its adoption in 2020 has seen Camden take bold action to help tackle the climate crisis, with borough wide carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions now 48% below 2005 levels.

Despite progress, the impacts of the climate crisis are increasingly felt in Camden. The energy crisis, record-breaking heat waves and flood events have highlighted the need for not only continued mitigation efforts but also action to protect those most vulnerable to their impacts.

In response to this, Camden published its first Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan in November 2023 to supplement our climate programme. The two-year plan aims to build our understanding of how climate hazards affect Camden and devises a set of actions for how we can improve our resilience to them.

This is the 4th Annual Review of the Climate Action Plan, and it provides an update on all actions from the original Climate Action Plan, actions introduced in subsequent reviews as well as new actions for 2024-25. This annual review also captures progress made against the new Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan and includes case-studies of key progress made in 2023-24 across both plans.

2025 will be the final year of the current Climate Action Plan and the Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan. In this final year, focus will turn to the development of the next Climate Action Plan. The new plan will provide a complete response to addressing the climate crisis by including mitigation, adaptation, and resilience efforts.



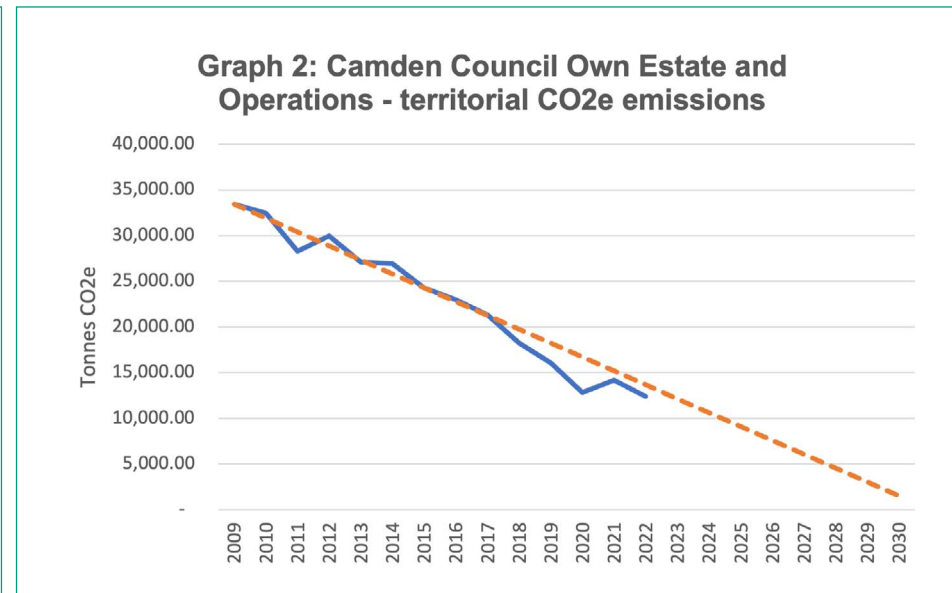
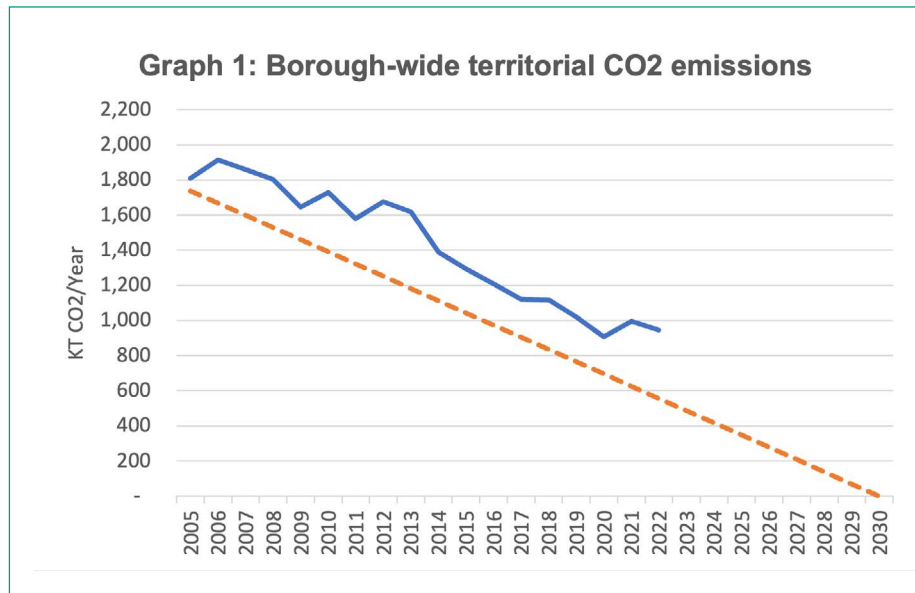
PROGRESS OVERVIEW

KEY PROGRESS INDICATORS

The Camden Climate Action Plan provides a framework for climate action across Camden. The success of the Climate Action Plan depends on action by all citizens and organisations across Camden. Progress is measured by the level of greenhouse gas or CO₂ emissions in Camden (Graph 1). The Council's CO₂ emissions across our own corporate buildings and operations are also measured annually to track progress (Graph 2).

Since 2005, borough-wide territorial carbon dioxide emissions have reduced 48% in Camden. Across the Council's own estate and operations, CO₂ emissions have reduced 63% since 2010.

Borough-wide: territorial emissions	Council estate and operations: direct emissions
Baseline: 2005	Baseline: 2010
↓ 48% (2022)	↓ 63% (2022)
Target 100% by 2030	Target 100% by 2030





ANNUAL REVIEW 2023-24 PROGRESS SUMMARY

The Climate Action Plan was published in 2020 and committed to publish progress reports annually. The Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan was published in 2023.

As at the beginning of 2023/24 the Climate Action Plan had 66 live actions, while the Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan had 55.

A summary of progress is included below:

PROGRESS UPDATE FOR 2023-24

	Action Status	Climate Action Plan	Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan
	Action achieved	15	3
	Underway (On track)	39	31
	Underway (In development)	9	11
	Partly achieved	3	8
	Not achieved	0	2
	New (2023-24 review)	7	0
	Total	73	55

ACTION STATUS KEY

■ Action achieved

Action achieved in 2023-24 and will no longer be reported on

■ Underway (On track)

Actions that are progressing well and on track to being achieved

■ Underway (In development)

Actions that are progressing, but have been delayed or face barriers to delivery

■ Partly Achieved

Actions were partially completed, with some adjustments to their original scope, yet still led to positive outcomes

■ Not achieved

Action not achieved and are no longer reported on

■ New (2023-24)

New actions introduced in 2023-24 and will be reported on in subsequent reporting

ANNUAL REVIEW 2023-24 HIGHLIGHTS

The Climate Action Plan and Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan are each guided by a series of strategic themes. Across both plans, these fall under the following areas:

- People and Communities
- Places, Nature & Environment
- Buildings, Assets & Infrastructure
- Businesses and Organisations

The next section highlights progress across these four areas. Highlights of action across Camden are provided alongside: action progress status updates, new actions added to the climate programme and key performance metrics for each vision area.

Have you got a great idea that could help tackle climate change in Camden? Find out where to get started at:

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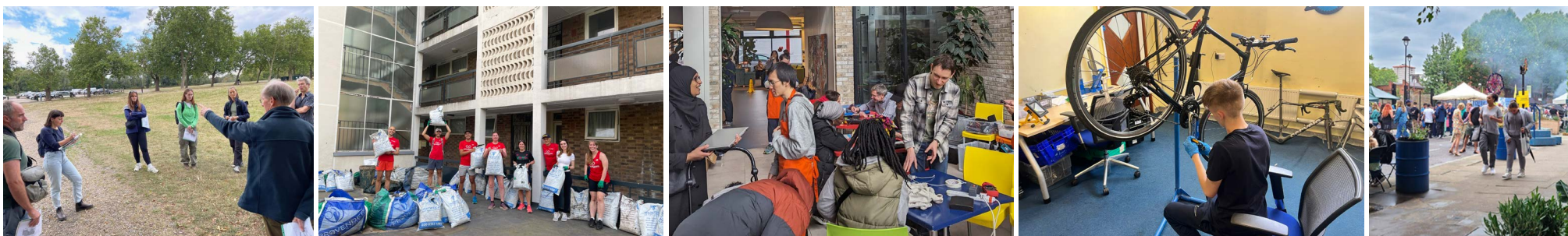
PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

“Everyone who lives, works, studies, and visits the borough will be well informed and actively contribute to tackling the climate crisis in all aspects of their lives.”

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN

“Support and enable all of those who live and work in Camden to protect themselves and their community from climate risks. Work with partners such as the NHS and Greater London Authority to provide good quality information.”



ACTION PROGRESS

The table below provides progress on all live actions during the 2023-24 period.

	Action Status	Climate Action Plan	Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan
	Action achieved	3	0
	Underway (On track)	6	9
	Underway (In development)	0	2
	Partly achieved	1	2
	Not achieved	0	0
	New (2023-24 review)	2	0
	Total	12	13

NEW ACTIONS

- From 2024, continue to offer residents practical advice and support on how they can act on the climate crisis
- In 2024-2025, deliver the third iteration of the Climate Connectors programme to connect businesses with environmental projects

KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS

Linked actions	Metric	Year	Total	Change
1.3.4, 1.6.1 (New)	Number of visits to Camden Council's 'what can you do' Climate Crisis webpages	to August 2024	265	↓67%*
1.1.1, 4.3.2, 4.4.2	Total signatories to the Camden Climate Pledge and Schools Climate Charter	to August 2024	63	↑5%

*Camden is developing a new website to host all sustainability and environment advice and provide residents with the tools and information to act. The new website is expected to launch in 2024-25.

PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES HIGHLIGHTS



In 2023-24, Camden **secured an additional £1.3M** to support Phase 3 of the Somers Town Future Neighbourhoods programme. A range of sustainability initiatives are underway including **estate greening, upskilling residents in cycle safety and upgrading the Charlton Street market** to become a circular economy hub.



In partnership with Think & Do, Camden hosted its **second Dragon's Den event**. The event brought together students from 12 schools to allow them to pitch project ideas to Camden businesses. **The event raised £5,900 to support tree planting, recycling and food waste projects** across Camden's primary schools.



In 2023-24, **we awarded £27,308 in grants** through the Camden Climate Fund to voluntary and community sector organisations to support projects that help tackle the climate crisis. The fund has supported a range of projects including **environmental volunteering activities, bike upcycling initiatives and campaigns promoting energy-saving**. This includes Calthorpe Community Garden (pictured), who received funding to deliver workshops to residents to improve their green skills and understanding of waste management.



As part of the Somers Town Future Neighbourhoods Programme, we **launched a sustainable, community cafe**, the Cholo Kha'i Café. The cafe is run by local women, and serves **affordable vegetarian and vegan food** helping them **build business skills**.



In 2023-24 we collaborated with local groups such as Retrofit Kentish Town to organise events for homeowners to help them **get started with their retrofit journey**.



In March 2024, **Camden hosted its first Community Climate Action Day**. The event was **attended by over 90 residents** to promote and celebrate local climate action.

Residents in Hampstead's South End Green formed the **South End Greening Group (SEGG)**. The group advocates for neighbourhood greening and sustainability, focusing on **improving public spaces and flood mitigation efforts**.



The Refill Station Camden continues to sell **sustainably sourced products** across 3 stalls. The stalls, designed in part by Central St Martin's students, are run in **partnership with four community businesses** that volunteer and offer **local employment**.

PLACES, NATURE AND ENVIRONMENT

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

 Camden's public spaces will encourage and enable healthy and sustainable travel choices and promote biodiversity."

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN

 Create an environment where ecosystems can thrive, and biodiversity can succeed. Build the resilience of our green spaces so they can withstand severe weather events."



ACTION PROGRESS

The table below provides progress on all live actions during the 2023-24 period.

	Action Status	Climate Action Plan	Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan
	Action achieved	3	0
	Underway (On track)	12	2
	Underway (In development)	3	4
	Partly achieved	0	3
	Not achieved	0	0
	New (2023-24 review)	1	0
	Total	19	9

NEW ACTIONS

- From 2024, ensure Camden's school catering contracts support carbon reductions from food and encourage the consumption of sustainable foods.

KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS

Linked actions	Metric	Year	Total	Change
2.1.7, 2.2.5, 2.2.7	Percentage of the borough covered by low-traffic neighbourhoods.	2023/24	24%	↑4%
2.1.2	Total length of protected cycle routes installed	2023/24	29%	0%*
2.1.1	Total number of EV charging points on Camden streets	2023/24	560	0%**
2.2.3	Total number of trees planted by Camden Council since 2020	2023/24	2336	↑36%

*While there were no additional cycle lanes constructed in 2023-24, significant investments were made to upgrading various temporary to permanent arrangements with cycle facilities, new pedestrian safety features and urban greening

**A further 200 are planned for installation in 2024-25.

PLACES, NATURE & ENVIRONMENT HIGHLIGHTS



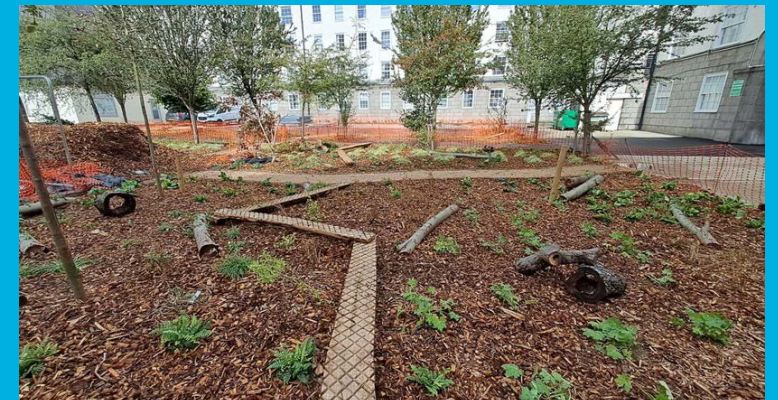
There are now **35 Healthy School Streets in Camden**, up from just 4 in 2019. Healthy School Streets provide timed road closures outside schools to improve air quality and road safety.



Through the Camden Climate Fund and Future Neighbourhoods programme, we supported the **neighbourhood's first story bike taxi** to help **reduce car usage and social isolation issues** in Somers Town. The story bike launched in Summer 2023 and provides a green travel option for residents while helping to educate residents on the climate crisis.



Through the Climate Connectors programme, we worked with local schools to **establish their own food growing facilities**. This includes volunteer support at Parliament Hill school to **upcycle old hose bins to cultivate vegetables** and **planting a fruit tree at Rosary school** in Hampstead.

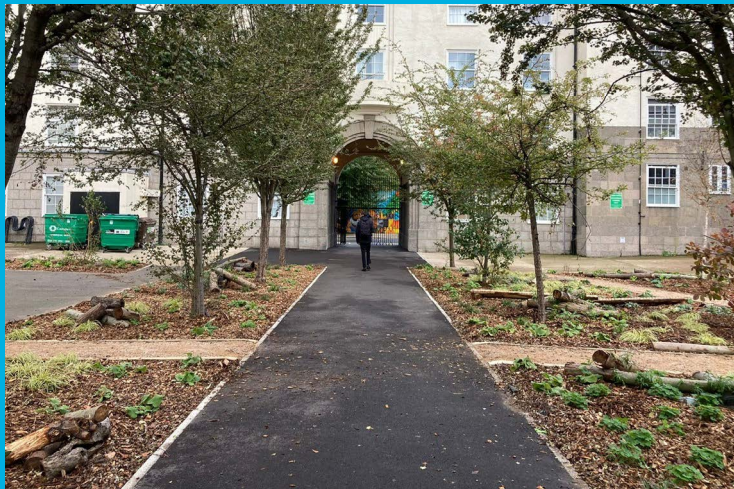


In 2023-24, we **planted 618 trees**, 18 more than in 2022-23. Other organisations in Camden planted 151 standard trees and 805 whips (young trees).

In 2024, we launched the Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood project to provide a **safer, traffic free environment**. This includes new shading infrastructure to improve the area's resilience to heat risk.



In June 2024, we introduced a series of changes to our parking charges. This includes **carbon emissions based charges** for a range of parking products.



In 2023-24, we commenced greening improvements at Levita House. This included **transforming tarmac into green areas and the installation of rain gardens**. The new planting will improve **surface water drainage while reducing the impacts of high temperatures**.



The Parliament Hill Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) project was completed in late 2023, featuring the installation of two raingardens. In June 2024, the project was recognised by the Chartered Institute for Highways and Transportation who **commended the project for its support of the "Dig Once" approach as the project was installed in parallel to gas mains works**.

BUILDINGS, ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

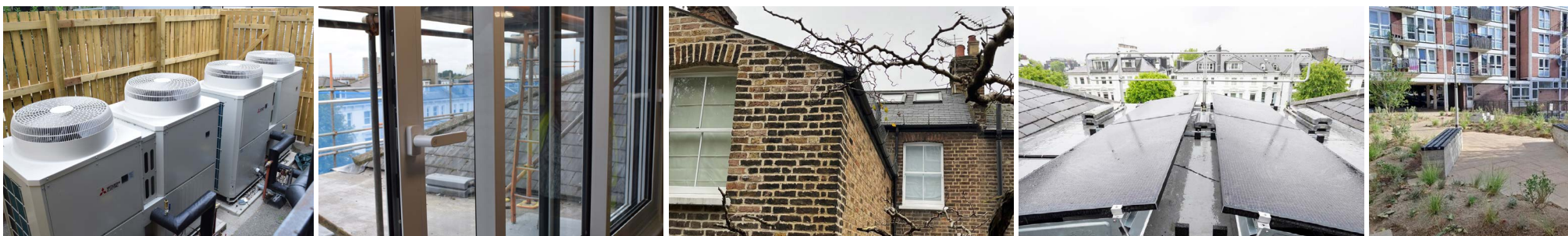


Camden's buildings will be energy efficient, comfortable and fit-for-purpose for a zero-carbon future."

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN



Adapt Camden's buildings and infrastructure, ensuring that the most vulnerable and exposed to climate hazards are identified and adapted, prioritising nature-based solutions to develop this climate resilience. Adapt social infrastructure such as healthcare systems and schools to build resilience."



ACTION PROGRESS

The table below provides progress on all live actions during the 2023-24 period.

	Action Status	Climate Action Plan	Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan
	Action achieved	4	0
	Underway (On track)	14	15
	Underway (In development)	3	1
	Partly achieved	1	3
	Not achieved	0	2
	New (2023-24 review)	3	0
	Total	25	21

NEW ACTIONS

- From 2024, expand the roll out of energy efficiency and renewable technology upgrades to feasible Corporate and School sites.
- In 2024-25, in response to the energy crisis, deliver the Cost of Living project to support council tenants who are struggling to heat their homes.
- From 2024, seek funding opportunities to support place based investment in Camden.

KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS

Linked actions	Metric	Year	Total	Change
3.2.2, 3.3.9, 3.6.1	Percentage of council owned homes with a SAP rating of C or above	2023/24	68.4%	↑0.04%
3.5.1, 3.3.7	Estimated private sector carbon reduction from Council led energy efficiency programmes (Including the Camden Climate Fund and Solar Together)	2023/24	847 tonnes	↑36%

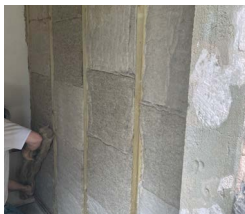
BUILDINGS, ASSETS AND INFRASTRUCTURE HIGHLIGHTS



As part of the Future Neighbourhoods Programme, Internal Wall Insulation upgrades are being made to **50 homes in Somers Town**. 32 of these are now complete, with the remainder to be completed in 2024-25.



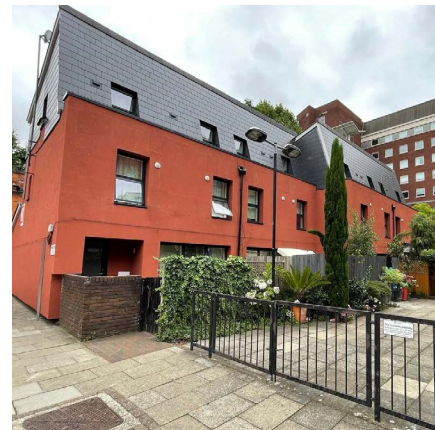
Camden supported 20 homeowners across the borough to receive subsidised Whole House Retrofit Plans. The plans are supporting residents to understand how to make **major energy efficiency improvements to their homes** and access support from the Camden Climate Fund.



In 2023-24, Camden awarded **£108,440** through the Camden Climate Fund to reduce carbon emissions in our homes, businesses and community spaces.



In 2023-2024, we awarded £50,000 in funding through the Camden Climate Fund to support the **installation of Solar PV on Regent High and Parliament Hill schools**. The projects were completed during Summer 2024 and are expected to save **30.5 tonnes of CO₂e per year**.



In March 2024, we completed **two major retrofit projects at Brookes Court and 5-7 Belsize Grove estates**. The projects have improved the energy efficiency and thermal comfort of **90 council-owned homes**, which now hold a Energy Performance Rating of B.



In 2023-24 we commenced a **major retrofit project** at Highgate library. The project includes roof and wall insulation, secondary glazing, draught proofing and the installation of an Air Source Heat Pump and Solar PV.



In 2024, the Council won **£831k** of Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) funding to support retrofit projects at Talacre Sports, Specture Centre and Primrose Hill Primary School.



In 2024, Camden rehomed a Chelsea Flower Show Garden on Regents Park Estate. The garden includes **drought-tolerant plants, grasses and native wildflowers** planted in crushed concrete and sand salvaged from demolished buildings.



In 2024, the Routes off The Street team operated its **cool space network** for the second year running. When temperatures exceeded 30C, rough sleepers were hosted at Kilburn and Holborn libraries.

BUSINESSES AND ORGANISATIONS

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN

“All organisations in Camden will operate responsibly and embed tackling the climate crisis throughout their operations.”

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN

“Embed climate resilience practices across all Council services, ensuring that they can continue to support our residents during summer heat waves, flooding and other climate hazards. Ensure council services respond effectively during a severe weather event.”

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN

“Foster an economy that can withstand and recover from short- and long-term climate impacts. Ensuring Camden businesses can maintain operations with minimal disruption during and after climate events. Businesses will support the delivery of green infrastructure.”



ACTION PROGRESS

The table below provides progress on all live actions during the 2023-24 period.

	Action Status	Climate Action Plan	Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan
	Action achieved	5	3
	Underway (On track)	7	5
	Underway (In development)	3	4
	Partly achieved	1	0
	Not achieved	0	0
	New (2023-24 review)	1	0
	Total	17	12

NEW ACTIONS

- From 2024, continue to support reduction of consumption emissions and waste produced in Camden.

KEY PERFORMANCE METRICS

Linked actions	Metric	Year	Total	Change
3.1.8	Average carbon reduction from Camden	2023/24	15%	↓32%*
4.2.5	Percentage of Camden's fleet comprised of low/zero emission vehicles	2023/24	23%	↑1.5%
4.2.8	Percentage of Camden Council's pension fund that is divested from fossil fuels	2023/24	97.91%	↑0.3%
4.2.7	Number of Camden Climate Alliance members	2023/24	455	↑6.3%

*This reduction could be attributed to the continued transition back to normality post pandemic in sectors such as hospitality and office-based roles. The majority of businesses who reported their emissions (84%) did reduce their emissions when compared with 2022.

BUSINESSES AND ORGANISATIONS HIGHLIGHTS



Through the Camden and Brent Business Climate Challenge, we are supporting **55 businesses in Camden to receive energy audit recommendation reports** to identify steps to reduce emissions from their operations. 42 reports are now completed, with the remaining to be completed in 2024-25.



In 2023-24, Camden launched a **Business Sustainability Series** to help businesses gain the necessary skills to reduce their energy consumption and emissions. Two training sessions have taken place so far, including a deep dive on energy saving measures and the connection between individual behaviour and energy use.

In 2023-24 we delivered **the second phase of the Climate Connectors programme**, an initiative which connects businesses with community groups to fund and mobilise environmental projects. In 2023-24, the programme generated **£98,237** of value through committed funding and volunteering time to support local environmental projects.



In 2023-24, Camden's Climate Citizen Panel **met three times to support the delivery of the councils climate programme**. Sessions focused on the Camden's new Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan, Home Energy Efficiency and the review progress on the council's current Climate Action Plan.



Camden hosted a cross-Council workshop to consider how to **improve its response to heatwaves** to support residents and vulnerable groups and continue delivering services. The workshop explored the impacts of heat on health, the guidance and resources available, and what more can be done.



Camden made progress in electrifying its fleet by securing **10 electric vans** to support four departments to deliver their services. **6 cargo vans** were also purchased to replace diesel vehicles.



Over the summer of 2024 a Business Beeline project was delivered. The project was a collaboration between **21 businesses over a 6-month period** and included the installation of 23 planters which now house over **200 plants** on Drummond Street.

ACTION PROGRESS UPDATE

CLIMATE ACTION PLAN – ACTION PROGRESS UPDATE

This section provides a full detailed update of the Climate Action Plan, providing progress updates against each action. Actions marked as closed are those which have been achieved and reference numbers to continuing programmes of work are provided within the 'Progress update' column where appropriate. Closed actions will not be reported on moving forward.

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.1.1: From 2020, improve the way the Council communicates about how programmes such as our transport and housing investment work helps to address the climate crisis.	Open	Underway (On track)	The Council continues to communicate about housing and transport projects and how the work supports tackling the climate crisis, some example communications from the Council's press office are included below: https://news.camden.gov.uk/camden-develops-innovative-green-mobility-hubs-in-somers-town/ https://news.camden.gov.uk/camden-council-to-trial-pedestrianisation-for-a-safer-healthier-camden-high-street/ https://news.camden.gov.uk/camden-launches-final-phase-of-future-neighbourhood-in-somers-town/ https://news.camden.gov.uk/changes-for-healthy-streets-healthy-travel-cleaner-fairer-parking/
People	1.1.6: From 2020, seek funding opportunities to support community-led climate action, which results in borough-wide emissions reductions.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden continues to support community action through various programmes such as Climate Connectors (See Action 4.5.1) and the Camden Climate Fund (See Action 1.4.2). In 2023-24 the Future Neighbourhoods programme secured £1.3M in funding to deliver Phase 3 of the programme (See Action 3.3.7). Funding opportunities available local groups are shared regularly through regular engagement with stakeholders, newsletters and local events.

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.3.4: From 2021, continue to ensure climate advice is available from existing Council helplines for residents wishing to learn more about the climate emergency and the funding and support available.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	<p>Camden's Green Camden Helpline was refreshed in 2022 to focus on providing energy efficiency and fuel debt advice following the energy crisis. In 2023-24 the SHINE London helpline supported over 430 residents with energy advice. Camden continues to offer climate advice through its website and community events, such as the Community Climate Action event held at the Greenwood Centre in March 2024. The events and web-based information help residents to learn more about the individual actions and local initiatives they can get involved in to help address the climate crisis. Visits to Camden's Climate pages were down in 2023-24. Camden are currently developing a new website to host all sustainability and environment advice and provide residents with the tools and advice to act. The new website is expected to launch in 2024-25.</p> <p>Further updates will be incorporated into updates on Action 1.6.1</p>
People	1.3.3: From 2021, work with the Voluntary and Community Sector to support groups who deliver outcomes which tackle the climate emergency and help them to utilise available funding from the Camden Climate Fund.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	<p>Since 2021, the Camden Climate Fund has awarded £43,000 in funding through the Fund's Climate Action strand to support projects in the Voluntary and Community Sector that demonstrate carbon saving potential. A range of projects have been supported to date including the installation of a Parklet in Belsize Park, the development of a nature beeline and sustainable food growing initiatives. Further updates on this action will be incorporated into updates on Action 1.4.3.</p>

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.4.2 From 2022, deliver the Future Neighbourhoods 2030 project in Somers Town, working closely with community partners to tackle environmental challenges in the area. Continue to identify opportunities for further funding.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2023-24, Future Neighbourhoods secured an additional £1.3M to support Phase 3 of the programme. A series of sustainability projects are underway, including estate greening, enhancing housing energy efficiency, and increasing climate knowledge. We're also developing climate resilience plans with schools, installing renewable energy at Regent High School, training residents to cycle safely, and strengthening Chalton Street market as a hub for the circular economy. A Neighbourhood Plan for Somers Town is being developed, which will embed the recently developed Somers Town Area-based Strategy 2030 to ensure its principles influence local decisions. Work is underway with the Green Finance Institute and the Greater London Authority to develop an investment proposal to address the costs associated with local energy generation, retrofitting and climate resilience work.
People	1.4.3: From 2022, work with Camden's VCS groups to identify projects that deliver on the vision of the Climate Action Plan and provide funding through the Camden Climate Fund where possible.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden continue to support community-led projects through the Camden Climate Fund. In 2023-24, we approved £27,000 in funding through the Camden Climate Fund to support local projects. This includes sustainable food growing workshops for residents at the Calthorpe Community Garden, a bike sharing project in Somers Town and an environmental volunteering programme. Camden are also helping to leverage funding from other sources where possible, including local businesses as part of the Climate Connectors programme where a total of £5,900 was provided from businesses to deliver local projects (see Action 4.5.1).

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.4.1 From 2022-2025, continue to work with schools and community groups to deliver a programme of information provision and events around the theme of climate justice.	Open	Underway (On track)	Several projects delivered through the Climate Action Plan are supporting climate justice. A key objective of the Future Neighbourhoods programme (Action 1.4.1) is to address the climate emergency in a way that also addresses London's health and social equalities. Community-led initiatives such are also delivering on this outcome, including those set-up by Think & Do. An example of which is Think and Do's 'Light Fantastic project, an LED lighting and engagement programme with residents at Walker House. The project was supported by local businesses and helped to inform their current Energy Savers Club programme, which has been successful in facilitating the sharing of energy efficiency information between residents. The success of this project has been replicated with 'Light Fantastic 2' at Levita House. In 2024-25 Camden will explore ways for how to incorporate climate justice into the next Climate Action Plan. We have also supported Life After Hummus to extend the reach of its surplus food distribution hub which provides affordable and sustainable food to those in need.
People	1.3.2: In 2021-22, continue to identify other locations and institutions to grow the Think & Do approach so that as many people as possible can access free and high quality information about climate action.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Sharing spaces continue to be rolled out across Camden. In January 2024, Think & Do launched a pop-up Sharing Space at the British Library over three months. A range of participants including poets, musicians and crafters were present to share their knowledge. The pop-up now occurs every second Tuesday of the Month. In partnership with Ashden, Think & Do are now rolling out Sharing Spaces to 6 other London boroughs, and have developed a toolkit to help other community groups set up their own Sharing Spaces. Monthly workshops are being held to help groups share learnings. More information can be found here: https://www.thinkanddocamden.org.uk/sharing-spaces-london/

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.1.9: Support delivery of the 'Refill Station Camden' project offering residents a refill resource to help tackle single-use packaging, aiming to have a locally-run enterprise by the end of 2022	Closed (2023-24 review)	Partly achieved	The Refill Station Camden continues to sell sustainably sourced products across 3 active stalls alongside 4 community business partners, with partners continuing to volunteer time to deliver the stalls and employment opportunities for residents. Two of these stalls were designed by students at Central St Martin's school. In 2023-24 a community toilet stall trial was operated in Kilburn Grange Park to promote the refill station and waste reduction. External funding for the Refill Station has now ceased, and the council are currently considering future options for the initiative. Further updates on this work will be provided as part of Action 4.6.1
People	1.4.4: From 2022-2023, further develop the public information campaign to include events for schools and businesses highlighting best practice and opportunities for developing their climate work.	Open	Underway (On track)	A series of events were delivered in 2023-24 to support schools and businesses. This includes a second Green Dragons Den event, which was held in March 2024 and supported the launch of 12 school projects focused on climate action. A total of £5,900 was provided from businesses to deliver the projects. A Business Sustainability Series has also launched, providing dedicated training to support businesses with the knowledge to reduce emissions through behaviour change, carbon literacy and communications. More details on the training can be found here: https://www.camdenclimatealliance.org.uk/get-involved/business-climate-challenge/ . The Camden Climate Alliance continues to offer networking opportunities for businesses, including a Business Roundtable held in July 2024, which explored ways for businesses to collaborate more effectively with each other and the council to reduce emissions.

Category	Action	Action status	Progress indicator	Progress update
People	1.5.1: In 2024-2025, deliver the third iteration of the Climate Connectors programme to connect businesses with environmental projects.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	New Action, previous progress update provided in Action 4.5.1
People	1.6.1: From 2024, continue to offer residents practical advice and support on how they can take action on the climate crisis.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	New action, previous updates provided as part of Action 1.3.4.
Places	2.2.9: By 2023, in conjunction with other London boroughs, publish a climate adaptation and resilience strategy	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	<p>Camden published its Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan in November 2023. It is an interim, two year plan that will allow us to enhance our understanding of the climate risks that our community faces, now and in the future. From 2026, adaptation and resilience will be incorporated into the new five year Climate Action Plan. Camden also supported the publication of the London Climate Resilience Review which was published in July 2024</p> <p>https://www.london.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2024-07/The_London_Climate_Resilience_Review_July_2024_FA.pdf</p>

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Places	2.1.1: Continue to regularly review and amend parking permits and prices to reflect the climate emergency, and roll out electric vehicle (EV) charging points across Camden in line with our EV Action Plan.	Open	Underway (On track)	During 2023-2024 the Council consulted on “Cleaner, Fairer” parking proposals: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/cleaner-fairer-parking/ . This included new carbon-emissions based charges for most parking products including residents permits, business permits and paid for parking. Final proposals were approved by Cabinet in early 2024 following consultation and the statutory traffic management orders are now being undertaken in preparation for implementing the changes, subject to a statutory consultation beginning in Autumn 2024. While no additional EVCP's were installed in the 2023-24 financial year, an additional 200 are planned for installation in 2024-25.
Places	2.2.4: Extend nature conservation volunteers programmes to support with the maintenance of existing and new green space.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden's Green Gym, delivered in partnership with The Conservation Volunteers, continues to deliver 100 sessions per year. More information can be found here: https://www.tcv.org.uk/london/green-gym-london/camden-green-gym/ . In 2023-24, Camden supported the Good Gym to broaden our nature conservation efforts in the community and are working with the existing Conservation Volunteers programme to enhance existing initiatives in the community. More information can be found here: https://www.goodgym.org/v3/areas/camden

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Places	2.1.5: From 2020, ensure all new planning frameworks require developments to be zero carbon (as per London Plan definition) and target reductions in the embodied carbon emissions of the development.	Open	Underway (On track)	<p>Planning frameworks and briefs provide guidance for specific sites and areas of Camden where we expect significant development and growth to happen. These documents provide additional and more specific policy and place-based guidance to support the Local Plan to help guide development. They are an important consideration when the Council assesses planning applications. Further to the Kentish Town Planning Framework, West End Lane to Finchley Road and Canalside to Camley Street published in 2020-21, and Gospel Oak and Haverstock Community vision in November 2022, the Holborn draft vision was published in February 2024 which has an objective to deliver a “climate resilient place” which requires all new development to be net zero and calculate whole life carbon.</p> <p>More information on Camden's planning framework documents is available here: https://www.camden.gov.uk/planning-frameworks-and-briefs</p>
Places	2.3.5: From 2021, following the delivery of the Camley Street Sustainable Urban Drainage System (SuDS) project, continue to identify funding opportunities to improve Camden's climate change resilience and reduce flood risk.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	<p>Camden continues to deliver SuDS across the borough, such as the 2022 Savernake Road SuDS in Gospel Oak, the 2023 Parliament Hill SuDS scheme in South End Green and the 2024 Goldhurst Terrace raingardens in South Hampstead. Since committing to this action in 2020, Camden has published a Flood Risk Management Strategy 2022-2027 and the Climate Adaptation and Resilience Plan 2023-2025. These plans commit to a programme of actions to enhance the borough's resilience to climate risks and so ongoing progress will be monitored via these documents. Further updates on this work will be incorporated into our reporting on the Climate Resilience and Adaptation plan under the 'Assets and Infrastructure' theme.</p>

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Places	2.1.7: From 2021, in addition to completed modal filters, Healthy School Streets, cycling improvements and cycle storage in the vicinity of the high street, continue to explore options for a trial the closure of Camden High Street to traffic around the market with a view to a permanent closure.	Open	Underway (On track)	Consultation for a pedestrianisation scheme for Camden High Street launched in Summer 2024. Subject to outcome of that consultation, a trial Phase 1 scheme could commence from late 2024. More details can be found here: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/camdenhighstreet/
Places	2.2.3: In collaboration with other local organisations and private land owners, increase the number of trees planted in Camden annually in line with Camden's Tree Policy.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden's Tree Planting Strategy sets out an ambitious target of planting 600 trees per year until 2025. In 2023-24, the Council achieved this target through planting 618 standard trees. Other organisations in the borough planted 151 standard trees and 805 whips.

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Places	2.1.2: Increase the number of segregated cycle routes in Camden as identified in the Camden Transport Strategy.	Open	Underway (On track)	Since the beginning of 2020, the Council has more than trebled the length of segregated cycleways in Camden. Currently, the length of segregated cycle routes either constructed or approved for delivery is close to 30km, which includes recently consulted on proposals for Clerkenwell Road (see: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/clerkenwell/). In 2023-24, while there were no cycle routes added, significant investment was made in upgrading various temporary schemes (including York Way, Prince of Wales Road and Chalk Farm Road) to permanent arrangements with “stepped track” cycle facilities, new pedestrian safety features and urban greening. A new Camden Transport Strategy Delivery Plan for 2025-2028 is under development which will set out plans for further expansion to the network.
Places	2.2.7: Increase the number of street closures around schools through the Healthy School Streets programme.	Open	Underway (On track)	There are now 35 schools covered by Healthy School Streets in Camden, up from 4 in 2019. Consultations for additional schemes took place in 2023-24, which are awaiting decisions on next steps. Further consultations for new schemes due in 2024-25. In addition, feasibility on “main road” Healthy School Streets, where timed motor vehicle restrictions are not possible, took place in 2023-24 with consultations coming soon on several schemes.

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Places	2.2.5: Lead the delivery of transformational low emission transport projects in Holborn, Camden Town, Kentish Town and Frognal by 2023	Open	Underway (On track)	<p>The Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood project progressed significantly in 2023-24 with the launch of a major engagement exercise and commencement of “STARter” projects, with more planned for 2024-25. Full details can be found here: https://holbornln.commonplace.is/ including quick-win measures and next steps towards the more significant changes. In 2023-24 construction started on major road safety, cycling, pedestrian and urban realm improvements on the Drake and Procter Street parts of the Holborn gyratory. More details can be found here: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/high-holborn-drake-street-procter-street/).</p> <p>In 2023-24 a variety of schemes were completed in Kentish Town including the implementation of permanent measures as part of the Queen’s Crescent Safe and Healthy Streets Project (see here: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/queens-crescent-area/), the completion of the Prince of Wales Road cycle tracks and establishing the Holmes Road Area Safe & Healthy Streets scheme as permanent. The council also received approval following consultation to trial a new, more extensive low-traffic scheme in that area (see here: https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/holmesroadhealthyschoolstreet/). For updates on Camden Town, see Action 2.1.7.</p>

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Places	2.2.1: Progress a Workplace Parking Levy by 2023 to encourage low-carbon transport choices, subject to the outcome of the current feasibility study.	Open	Underway (In development)	Camden completed an updated Workplace Parking Levy (WPL) study in 2023 to gather more recent data from businesses on the feasibility of a WPL due to changes in working arrangements after the pandemic. The Council are currently considering next steps having undertaken further feasibility work in 2023-24.
Places	2.2.2: Review and amend Controlled Parking Zone (CPZ) hours of control to restrict non-essential motor vehicle trips with priority CPZ areas reviewed by 2023.	Open	Underway (On track)	A series of Controlled Parking Zone changes, including extended hours of control to manage and restrict inessential motor vehicle trips, have taken place or are about to be introduced following reviews and consultations. In 2023-24, Camden consulted and made permanent the trial for extended hours of controls on Saturdays in the western half of CA-G (see https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/cag/) and received approval to commence a trial in the eastern half of the zone in Somers Town, due to be rolled out in late 2024. The Council also consulted on extending the hours of control in CA-L (inner) in Kentish Town to match CA-L (outer) which has now been implemented (see https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/ca-l/). Further consultations took place for CA-X (Kings Cross) to introduce new streets to the Controlled Parking Zone, and extend hours of control into Saturdays as a trial. These changes commenced in Summer 2024 (see https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/ca-x-parking-and-healthy-streets-consultation/). In CA-F (Camden Town area) a trial of extended weekday and weekend controls in the “n” sub-area are due to commence in late 2024 subject to consultation outcomes (see https://consultations.wearecamden.org/supporting-communities/ca-f/).

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Places	2.3.1: From 2021, following the publishing of the Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan in Autumn 2021, deliver this Plan and Camden's Tree Planting Strategy in parallel with the Climate Action Plan.	Open	Underway (In development)	The delivery of the Council's Biodiversity Action Plan is ongoing. A number of actions are underway such as increasing efforts to improving tree canopy cover and increasing tree species diversity and areas of meadows in Camden. Many actions are behind schedule and the plan is currently being revised to reflect these delays. More information on the actions and delivery timeframes be found here: https://www.camden.gov.uk/wildlife-areas#lgnl
Places	2.3.2: From 2021, further to successful school food growing schemes, continue to identify opportunities to increase food growing in schools across the borough.	Open	Underway (In development)	The Climate Connectors programme (See Action 4.5.1) has supported schools to implement their own food growing facilities on school grounds. This support includes volunteer support at Parliament Hill school to upcycle old hose bins to cultivate vegetables, planting of fruit salad garden at Kentish Town Primary School and a fruit tree at Rosary school in Hampstead.
Places	2.3.6: From 2021, continue to implement Local Plan policy (A3), which incorporates policy on biodiversity and commits the council to improve opportunities to experience nature where they are lacking.	Open	Underway (On track)	The Council continues to apply Local Plan Policy A3. The policy has been revised as part of the Local Plan review (Action 3.2.8), which was consulted on in early 2024. The draft new local plan includes a chapter on the Natural Environment and includes a series of policies to improve access to parks, green spaces and biodiversity by enhancing existing assets and providing new green spaces and habitats.

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Places	2.4.1: In 2023, develop a new programme of projects to reduce electricity usage in the public realm, including expanding LED lighting rollout into Camden's green spaces and parks and de-illuminating road signs where possible.	Open	Underway (On track)	Work is underway to support the installation of 250 LED lanterns across Camden's green spaces by the end of 2024. Camden are currently exploring the benefits in both energy and maintenance savings if sensor lighting where to be implemented across strategic locations across Camden. All Camden streetlights were upgraded to LED in the first year of the Climate Action Plan delivery.
Places	2.5.1: From 2023, establish a permanent parklet programme to support the roll out of parklets across Camden.	Open	Underway (On track)	A series of parklets have already been delivered in Camden including on Great Ormond Street, Queen's Crescent and Leighton Road. More recently, a temporary greening project was launched in 2024 to create a new space for residents to enjoy throughout summer and autumn. Camden aim to commence roll out of sponsor-led parklets from the 2024-25 onwards. This includes the development of a new guide outlining the process for designing, installing and maintaining a parklet for interested parklet sponsors. Consultation has also been launched this month to make the various temporary parklets permanent, including those at Leighton Road and Antrim Road.

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Places	2.5.2: In 2023-2024, deliver the first phase of Camden's Local Area Energy Plan (LAEP).	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	The first phase of the LAEP is now complete. Working alongside the Greater London Authority, this phase focused on research, preparation and modelling of what a LAEP could look like for London, with the final report showcasing the results and data outputs. Camden is now considering options for Phase 2 including how best to finance the work and apply the findings within the borough's context. More information on the LAEP programme is available here: https://medium.com/@londoncouncilsclimate/local-area-energy-planning-for-london-8576c21d378f#:~:text=LAEP%20is%20a%20whole%20system,when%20and%20by%20whom%27
Places	2.6.1: From 2024, ensure Camden's school catering contracts support carbon reductions from food and encourage the consumption of sustainable foods.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	New action, previous updates provided as part of Action 4.4.3.

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Buildings	3.1.8: From 2020, use the Camden Climate Alliance business network to drive energy efficiency improvements across the commercial sector in Camden through best practice sharing and consultancy services.	Open	Underway (On track)	<p>The Camden Climate Alliance (CCA) has successfully secured funding through the Mayor of London to support the 2022-23 Business Climate Challenge, and the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to support the 2023-24 Business Climate Challenge. The programme has enabled two cohorts of businesses to receive energy audits and recommendation reports to achieve net zero carbon buildings. In July 2024, the CCA launched the Business Sustainability Series, a series of training events to help drive emissions reduction in the commercial sector. The series is open to all Camden businesses with two trainings having taken place so far, with one focused on Energy Management Best Practice training and another on Behaviour Change and Staff Engagement.</p> <p>The average carbon reduction of CCA members in 2023 was 15%, which represents a 32% increase when compared with 2022. This change could be attributed to the transition back to normality post pandemic in sectors such as hospitality and office-based roles. However the vast majority of businesses who reported their emissions (84%) did achieve a reduction when compared with 2022.</p>

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Buildings	3.1.3: From 2020, require all major developments in Camden to be net zero carbon.	Open	Underway (On track)	The London Plan and subsequently Camden planning policy sets out requirements for all major developments to achieve net zero carbon. From August 2023 to July 2024, Sustainability Officers have provided written consultation responses on air quality, energy and sustainability for 47 major planning applications and provided advice to case officers at 305 Sustainability Surgery sessions to ensure the best environmental outcomes for developments. This included reducing carbon, incorporating renewable energy, reducing the risk of overheating, considering the whole life carbon of a development (where substantial demolition is proposed) and contributing to the circular economy through 95% reuse, recycling or recovery of waste during development while ensuring all developments are air quality neutral. Training and guidance has also been developed for planning case officers and planning committee members to support in the assessment of all planning applications for their impact on the environment.
Buildings	3.1.4: From 2020, require all major developments in Camden to calculate whole life carbon emissions to include all operational and embodied carbon.	Open	Underway (On track)	The London Plan and subsequently Camden planning policy sets out requirements for all major developments with 'substantial demolition' proposed to produce a whole life carbon (WLC) assessment calculating the carbon impacts of the chosen approach and demonstrating that over the lifetime of the project, the building will have a reduced carbon impact due to the chosen approach. Enforcement of current planning policy continues through the Council's development management process, with a new planning policy being developed as part of the Local Plan review process (Action 3.2.8). Regulation 18 of the draft new Local Plan includes a policy to ensure new developments to submit a whole life carbon assessment.

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Buildings	3.1.6: By 2021, introduce a new requirement for all future Community Investment Programme development to include a lifecycle carbon impact assessment (retrofit versus new-build) as part of the pre-feasibility appraisal.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Design teams delivering on the Community Investment Programme are expected to justify any new building proposals based on a thorough feasibility process including Life Cycle Cost and Whole Life Carbon analysis. This is included in the London Plan at Policy SI 2 F for major referable development proposals.
Buildings	3.2.8: By 2025, review the Council's Local Plan Policy on Climate change mitigation, namely the existing zero carbon target and energy efficiency across a range of developments.	Open	Underway (On track)	The draft Local Plan (Regulation 18) was published for consultation in January 2024. One of the core objectives of the Plan is to ensure that development in Camden responds to the climate emergency by delivering net zero carbon development, optimising resource efficiency and achieving the highest possible net zero standards. A final draft is expected to go out for consultation by the end of 2024.

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Buildings	3.1.9: In 2020-21, collaborate with private landlords and housing associations develop a programme to ensure all rented homes in the borough (including council housing stock) out-perform the Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards (MEES) defined by government.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Partly achieved	Camden has previously engaged with landlords to ensure compliance with MEES. In 2022-23, over 100 letters were sent to over 100 landlords warning that they are not in compliance with MEES and citing that energy efficiency improvement are required. An update on progress made in 2023-24 has been provided as part of Action 3.3.4. Future updates on MEES will be incorporated into this action.
Buildings	3.2.2: In 2021, subject to funding, pilot a fossil-fuel free heating project at a council housing estate to develop our understanding and inform a costed strategy to remove fossil-fuel heating systems from council buildings by 2030.	Open	Underway (On track)	Deep retrofits of 58 properties at 5-7 Belsize Grove (Insulation and Solar PV) and 32 homes at Brookes Court (Insulation and heat pumps) were completed in March 2024. Internal Wall Insulation upgrades are being made to 50 council homes in Somers Town as part of the Future Neighbourhoods Projects, with 32 homes now complete. A Solar PV project at Henderson Court is also underway, with 300 panels expected to be installed in 2024-25. The system will be trialled for a period of six months to monitor performance and energy output of the panels, while delivering cost savings to the residents' energy bills. The council continues to roll out of retrofit projects across our estates, with a focus on retrofitting the least efficient homes first.

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Buildings	3.1.5: From 2020, require all Camden led major development under our Community Investment Programme to be zero carbon.	Open	Underway (On track)	The Community Investment Programme continues to improve the energy efficiency of major developments in Camden. Major new developments are required to be net zero carbon under the planning definition (Action 3.1.3). The Community Investment Programme's Design Guide gives details of where a retrofit feasibility study is required, methodology to determine the extent of the retrofit and carbon reduction targets that need to be met. Updates to the Design Guide are underway with any proposed changes to be agreed with stakeholders involved in the programme. More information on the Community Investment Programme can be found here: https://cip.camden.gov.uk/
Buildings	3.3.1: In 2022-23, deliver a Retrofit Summit for residents, businesses, and community groups to develop our understanding of the retrofit challenge.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	A Retrofit Summit for residents was delivered online in 2021, see https://www.camden.gov.uk/home-energy-efficiency-webinars . In November 2023, Camden hosted a session with the Climate Citizen Panel to discuss how the council could better encourage Camden residents to retrofit their properties to reduce emissions, which has helped to inform work as part of Action 3.5.1. Camden's Community Climate Action Day, hosted in March 2024, also included speakers from both the Council and Ecofurb (a low carbon homes service) to help educate residents on how to get started with home retrofit. Camden continues to finance retrofit works on homes through the Camden Climate Fund (see Action 3.3.7). Further updates on how the council are addressing the retrofit challenge in the private sector will be provided in Action 3.5.1

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Buildings	3.3.2: From 2021, support and deliver the Retrofit Action Plan in partnership with London Councils and other London Boroughs addressing the competing priorities of issues such as energy efficiency, heritage, and other Local Plan priorities.	Open	Underway (In development)	Retrofit London is a collaborative initiative led by London's local authorities, with the aim to retrofit all homes to achieve Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) Level B by 2030. So far a programme of training for council staff has been delivered with plans to provide better support for leaseholders, trialling new approaches to engaging Londoners on retrofit and collation of best practice to support boroughs, housing associations and other landlords. A Low Carbon Development workstream is also underway that aims to reduce emissions from buildings while ensuring they are healthier and more resilient to a changing climate. Camden are supporting both the development of Heritage Buildings chapter for inclusion in the Low Carbon Development Toolkit as well as a programme of work to fund solutions to address the challenge of retrofitting heritage buildings in London.
Buildings	3.3.4: From 2021, collaborate with private landlords and housing associations to utilise available funding to ensure all rented homes in the borough (including council housing stock) outperform the Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards (MEES) defined by government.	Open	Underway (In development)	In 2023-24, Camden did not undertake any enforcement processes for MEES due to resourcing constraints. In June 2024, additional resource was bought in to support enforcement for rented properties band F and G where no exemption certificate exists. Camden's private sector housing team continues to utilise enforcements under the Housing health and safety rating system to take action where properties are found to have a category 1 excess cold hazard. Camden continues to offer funding support for landlords through the Camden Climate Fund and Camden's Housing Renewal Assistance Policy (see: https://www.camden.gov.uk/housing-adaptations-grants-and-assistance).

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Buildings	3.3.5: From 2021, continue to explore and promote group purchasing schemes which support building retrofit and provide grant funding support where possible.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Camden participated in Solar Together, a Mayor of London led group buying scheme for solar panels. Round 4 of the scheme launched at the beginning of 2021. Both Round 4 and 5 have now completed and the scheme is now closed. Across Rounds 4 and 5, the scheme supported 51 Camden homes to install solar panels saving an estimated 29,251kg of CO ₂ annually. We continue to support Solar PV uptake through the Camden Climate Fund (Action 3.3.7) and are exploring with the community to explore how to replicate a group purchasing model for solar in Camden.
Buildings	3.3.7: From 2021, following the review and extension of the Camden Climate Fund, promote the fund to provide financial support for energy efficiency improvement and renewable heat deployment across Camden.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2023-24, Camden awarded £108,440 through the Camden Climate Fund to reduce carbon emissions in our homes, businesses and community spaces. The fund is being promoted through community events and activities including the Climate Citizen Panel and community events. The fund is also being promoted through the Camden Climate Alliance's Business Climate Challenge. The Camden Climate Fund is currently under a second review, with a revised fund expected to launch in 2024-25.
Buildings	3.3.8: Over 2021-23, further to feasibility studies completed on non-domestic buildings, deliver retrofit pilot projects across Swiss Cottage Library and Brookfield Primary School.	Open	Underway (In development)	Swiss Cottage Library Retrofit was completed March 2023. The design and development of the Brookfield Primary School retrofit project continues in development and design, with LED lighting upgrades expected to commence in early 2024-25. Subsequent works include solid wall insulation, mechanical ventilation, double glazing and the installation of Solar PV. A number of additional retrofit projects have been delivered including Acland Burghley School, Highgate Library, Talacre Leisure Centre and Eleanor Palmer primary school. A fuller list of retrofits is detailed in response to Actions below.

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Buildings	3.3.9: In 2021-22, further to feasibility study analysing the approach for retrofit of Camden-owned housing stock, complete retrofit pilot projects across different property archetypes to inform future retrofit programme	Open	Underway (On track)	A series of deep retrofit and renewable energy projects are underway across our estates (Action 3.2.2). Camden secured £3.1M in funding from the national Social Housing Decarbonisation Fund in 2022-23 to retrofit 283 street properties with works expected to commence in 2024-25. A retrofit assessment at Phoenix Court estate in Somers Town is due to take place in 2024-25.
Buildings	3.4.1: In 2022-2023 work with the Mayor of London to identify 50 Camden-based SMEs to have energy audits of their buildings through the Business Climate Challenge.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Through the 2023-24 Business Climate Challenge, the council is supporting 86 Camden Businesses to receive an energy audit and recommendation report. Further progress on this work will be reported as part of Action 3.5.3 .
Buildings	3.4.3: In 2022-2024 deliver funded pilot retrofit projects in Camden schools to reduce carbon emissions and inform the approach for reducing the emissions of Camden's school buildings.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2024, the council was awarded £445k of Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) funding to support a retrofit project at Primrose Hill Primary School. This is in addition to the £2.6M already awarded since 2022 to four other schools including Acland Burghley, Eleanor Palmer, Kingsgate Primary and Hampstead School. Retrofit works at the first two schools were completed last year. Kingsgate Primary is currently at design stage with works at Hampstead School to commence shortly. Retrofit work at Brookfield Primary is set to begin this summer, funded by the council's internal budget.

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Buildings	3.4.4: From 2022, further to the successful delivery of the retrofit project at Swiss Cottage Library, deliver works across Camden's Leisure and Corporate sites to carbon impacts of Camden-owned buildings through a new Carbon Management Plan.	Open	Underway (On track)	Retrofit works are underway at Highgate Library, Netherwood Youth Centre, West Hampstead Library and Waterlow Park Visitor Centre. Additional retrofit projects at Talacre Sports Centre and Spectrum Centre are underway. A future pipeline of projects is continuing to be developed for future Public Sector Decarbonisation Funding bids.
Buildings	3.5.1: From 2023, deliver a Camden-led scheme to support residents to improve the energy efficiency of private sector households	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden has delivered several initiatives to help encourage more homeowners in Camden to retrofit their homes. In 2023-24 we collaborated with the low-carbon homes service Ecofurb to provide 20 subsidised whole house retrofit plans for homeowners in Camden, providing residents with bespoke advice on how to improve the energy efficiency of their homes at a reduced cost. Camden have also been working with community groups including Retrofit Kentish Town and Hampstead Neighbourhood forum to educate more residents on how to begin retrofitting their homes.
Buildings	3.5.2: From 2023-2024, increase the number of Council projects which can offer organisations a reliable and trustworthy option to locally offset carbon emissions.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2023-24 a trial phase was developed in partnership with the Housing Association Charitable Trust (HACT) to explore the potential of selling carbon credits in connection with Camden's social housing retrofit projects. Following a successful trial phase in 2023-24, the initiative is now ready to be scaled across completed retrofit schemes in Camden. To date carbon credits from 53 completed retrofits have been traded on the carbon markets.

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Buildings	3.5.3: From 2023, deliver a programme that builds on the successes of the Business Climate Challenge, to scale energy efficiency support and emissions reduction from SME buildings.	Open	Underway (On track)	The Camden Climate Alliance secured £640,789 from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund to deliver the 2023-24 Business Climate Challenge (Camden and Brent Business Climate Challenge). An energy efficiency programme building on the Mayor of London's Business Climate Challenge, working in partnership Brent and The Fitzrovia Partnership. The programme is currently supporting 86 businesses to receive an energy audit, recommendation report and all encompassing trainings to encourage businesses to implement energy-saving measures. Of the 86, 55 are based in Camden with 38 businesses recruited through the Camden Climate Alliance members, and a further 17 through the Fitzrovia Partnership. Businesses receiving this support will be encouraged to apply to the Camden Climate Fund to implement recommended measures.
Buildings	3.4.2: From 2023, support SME business to implement the measures identified during the Business Climate Challenge audit to reduce the carbon emissions from their building with funding from the Camden Climate Fund.	Open	Underway (On track)	The 2022-23 Business Climate Challenge is now complete, offering energy efficiency guidance to 46 Camden businesses. Out of these, 9 successfully reduced their energy consumption between 2022 and 2023. In 2023-24 the council received three applications from businesses for Solar PV and LED lighting installations, with two additional Camden Climate Fund applications expected over the coming years as businesses make plans to implement measures, access different funding pots and secure the necessary permissions and buy-in to progress with works.

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Buildings	3.6.1: In 2024-25, in response to the energy crisis, deliver the Cost of Living project to support council tenants who are struggling to heat their homes.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	Through our Home Energy Advice Service, Camden are supporting Camden tenants who are struggling with their energy bills by offering ad hoc retrofit works aimed at making their home more energy efficient. 5 properties have received retrofit works and 21 have received retrofit assessments, with works expected to commence in these homes in 2024-25. Additional retrofit assessments are due to take place at other properties of tenants identified as being vulnerable to high energy costs.
Buildings	3.6.2: From 2024, seek funding opportunities to support place-based investment in Camden.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	New Action, previous progress updates provided in Action 2.5.2.
Buildings	3.4.5: From 2024, expand the roll out of energy efficiency and renewable technology upgrades to feasible Corporate and School sites.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	In 2024 solar PV was installed at Parliament Hill and Regent High secondary schools through a community share financed model with Power Up North London. The council is now conducting roof condition surveys for several other schools and corporate sites to identify feasible options for Solar PV. The results will help create a list of viable locations before drafting a performance specification for tender. The council has also approved an allocation of £1.02m for a LED rollout. A high level assessment for 36 sites, including both schools and corporate sites, estimated that upgrading existing lighting to LED would require an investment of around £1.7m and could reduce carbon emissions by 5,420 tonnes over its lifetime. Following this assessment, the council approved an allocation of £1.02m for the LED rollout expected to commence in 2024-25.

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Organisations	4.3.2: From 2021, through the Camden Climate Alliance, promote the Camden Climate Pledge for local organisations to encourage businesses to reduce their direct and indirect carbon emissions and continue to support them to do so.	Open	Underway (In development)	In 2023-24, two additional organisations signed the Camden Climate Pledge. The Camden Climate Pledge is not being actively promoted to CCA members due to a shifting focus on delivering funding support for businesses to decarbonise through programmes such as the Business Climate Challenge, Camden Climate Fund and Climate Connectors. The Pledge continues to act as a resource or framework on the CCA website for businesses to access and understand how they could take action against the climate crisis.
Organisations	4.4.2: From 2022, continue to promote the School Climate Charter to increase the number of organisations in Camden taking climate action.	Open	Underway (In development)	In 2023-24, two additional schools signed the School Climate Charter. Support for climate action in schools is largely being delivered through the Climate Connectors programme (Action 4.5.1). To date, 20 schools (a mix of signatory and non-signatory schools) have received funding to support arrange of projects including upcycling pallets into planters and tree planting. Work to decarbonise school buildings is also underway as detailed in Actions 3.4.3 and 3.4.5.
Organisations	4.1.5: In 2020, switch the Council's corporate estate and schools to green electricity, and look at further ways to reduce the emissions associated with our energy supplies through renewable energy.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	In October 2020, Camden switched its corporate and schools estate to 100% renewable electricity supplies, using REGO (Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin) backed electricity tariffs. The Council's corporate estate and majority of schools continued to opt for green electricity on our current contract to September 2025.

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Organisations	4.1.6: From 2020, ensure all council decision-making includes an assessment of the decision's environmental impact.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	The Council's Constitution was amended in 2020 to introduce a new duty for elected Members to ensure that all decisions protect or improve the natural environment. When decisions are taken, the Constitution states that the process of consideration should be recorded within the decision-making report. All formal decision reports and procurement reports now include a mandatory environmental implications section, which require the author to assess the environmental impact of the project in question and to set out mitigation measures. The environmental implications sections of procurement reports are reviewed by the Head of Climate, Air Quality and Energy and form part of the decision making process of Camden's Cabinet. A training module was developed and added to Camden's Learning and Development portal in 2022 to help inform officers about the key environmental issues in Camden and how projects can improve or protect the local environment.
Organisations	4.2.10: In 2021-22 through the Camden Climate Alliance, collaborate with major estates and organisations in the borough to promote circular economy opportunities focusing on measurement and the development of projects.	Open	Underway (On track)	Through the Future Neighbourhoods programme (Action 1.4.2), a circular economy market has been established for residents to sell homemade goods such as cleaning products and crafts at Chalton Street Market, with over 10 new micro businesses starting up to sell food and crafts. In the third phase of the project, the aim is to consolidate Chalton Street market as a centre of excellence in the circular economy.

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Organisations	4.2.3: Work with other London Councils and local authorities to agree a London-wide lobbying position to Government on the climate and ecological crisis.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	In response to the London Environment Directors' Networks statement to act rapidly and collectively on the climate crisis, London Councils have developed seven workstreams to cover every area London needs to achieve net-zero. London Councils have now published action plans and two year implementation plans with key deliverables for each theme. Priority actions being rolled out include investing in boroughs in-house retrofit skills and launching neighbourhood based climate financing models. More information on progress can be found here: https://archive.londoncouncils.gov.uk/our-key-themes/climate-change-0/our-climate-programme
Organisations	4.2.4: From 2021, Camden continue to support plastic-free alternatives and plastic-free initiatives within the borough by removing single-use plastic items from our premises, encouraging plastic-free initiatives in our communities, and promoting plastic-free campaigns and supporting events.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Camden continues to support residents to reduce their consumption of single-use plastic. In 2024-25, Veolia Camden partnered with local groups to hold 66 events to raise awareness of single-use plastics and promote waste minimisation, including a Plastic Free July event. A total of 1,357 residents were engaged as part of this campaign. Further updates will be reported on in Action 4.6.1

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Organisations	4.2.5: Make Camden's vehicle fleet 100% low/zero emission by 2022 and ensure Contractors' fleet vehicles comply with Camden's Green Vehicle Fleet Procurement Policy.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden Accessible Travel Solutions (CATS) commissioned the Energy Saving Trust to evaluate Camden's fleet operational needs and provide recommendations for fleet decarbonisation. The final report focused on three main areas: electrifying local vehicles, reducing commuting mileage and optimising vehicle use. CATS is in the process of renewing all procurement contracts, identifying opportunities for fleet electrification, upgrading electric charging infrastructure and installing a new compressed natural gas station at York Way Depot. CATS is working closely with various service departments to facilitate the transition. In 2023-24 CATS purchased 10 electric vans to support four departments deliver their services. An additional 6 cargo vans were also purchased to replace diesel vehicles within the CATS fleet team, estates management and postal services teams. One is being used as pool vehicle for shared used between the green spaces and markets teams. The Council aims to electrify its local fleet and optimise fleet operations by the end of 2026, with a goal to eliminate out-of-borough commuting and ensure all vehicles are zero or low emission by 2030.
Organisations	4.2.8: Provide an annual update on the divestment of Camden's pension fund to ensure transparency.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2012 the Fund had 7.2% of its equity assets invested in fossil fuels. As at 31 March 2024, the fossil fuel proportion of all assets was 2.09%. This is an improvement from the last reporting year when the proportion stood at 2.37%. The figure is reported quarterly through the Pension Committee.
Organisations	4.3.1: From 2021-2025, continue to facilitate the Camden Climate Citizen Panel to monitor progress and support the delivery of the Climate Action Plan for Camden.	Open	Underway (On track)	The Climate Citizen Panel continue to support the delivery of the council's Climate Action Plan, with the panel's second cohort now largely through their tenure and has met five times to discuss a range of topics including Climate Resilience, Domestic Energy Efficiency and home retrofit and also supported the design of the council's first Community Climate Action day in March 2023. More information on the Citizen Panel can be found here: https://www.camden.gov.uk/citizen-panel

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Organisations	4.3.3: Following the development of the Council's Sustainable Procurement Policy and procedure, monitor and track contracts over £100,000 to ensure social value is being delivered through the Policy	Open	Underway (In development)	Commitments to the environment, along with social and economic commitments, continue to be required for all contracts above £100,000. Several of our procurement contracts have delivered projects that support carbon reduction in the borough. These include ensuring construction vehicles are zero-emission and sourcing materials locally or sustainably for developments. In 2023-2024, we developed a social value monitoring tool to continuously track progress in our ongoing contracts against our social value commitments. This tool is currently being trialled on several contracts.
Organisations	4.3.4: From 2021, following the switch of the Council's corporate estate and schools to green electricity, look at further ways to reduce the emissions associated with our energy supplies through renewable energy and low-carbon tariffs.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden are engaged with the Renewable Power for London working group, which focuses on funding routes to accessing or buying more affordable renewable energy. Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) are still in their infancy for local authorities, and there is currently no established "gold standard" for the process. Camden are following developments closely. Camden have explored costs and availability of purchasing low-carbon gas as part of energy procurement processes, but this was not deemed to be technically or financially feasible.

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Organisations	4.4.1: In 2022-23, following the Camden Climate investment reaching the investment target, utilise the funding to deliver: solar panels on a council-owned building; install 40 electric vehicle charging points; implement new Safe and Healthy Street schemes; and support the 'greening' of the Council's vehicle fleet.	Open	Underway (On track)	Camden continues to invest in local projects through funding raised by the Camden Climate Investment. The investment will match-fund the installation of 32 fast Electric Vehicle Charging Points (EVCPs), and support the dedication of parking spaces adjacent to 80 charging points for electric vehicle charging only. Funding is also being used to support the installation of Solar PV on Henderson Court estate, which is expected to be completed in 2024-25. Work is underway to replace Camden's fleet of diesel and petrol vehicles, with the Estate Services, Post and Fleet services team now piloting the use of smaller electric utility vehicles.
Organisations	4.4.3: From 2022, work with schools to increase the uptake of meat-free days across Camden schools and work with school catering providers to reduce the environmental impact of all school meals.	Closed (2023-24 review)	Partly achieved	Meat free days are available to all schools through Camden's catering contract however supporting the uptake of meat-free days is complex due to the needs and requirements of different schools. Caterlink, Camden Council's catering service provider, shows that 41 schools in Camden are participating in meat-free days. The council is currently out for tender for a new catering provider which includes a greater focus on sustainability, delivering a reduction in meat-based meals and providing more vegetarian and plant-based options.

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Organisations	4.5.1: From 2023-2024, in partnership with Think & Do and Clean Air Camden, continue to deliver the Climate Connectors programme to connect businesses with environmental projects	Closed (2023-24 review)	Action achieved	Climate Connectors second iteration was delivered between September 2023 and July 2024. The programme successfully delivered impact in the form of 41 completed projects, generating £98,237 of value through funding committed and volunteering time. This includes 1382 corporate volunteering hours from 488 volunteers. 39 businesses supported the projects delivered which benefitted 20 schools. Key highlights included a Green Dragon's Den event in March 2024, which brought together 12 schools to pitch for funding to deliver sustainability initiatives in their schools.
Organisations	4.2.7: Grow and develop the Camden Climate Alliance environmental business network as a platform for engaging and collaborating with businesses.	Open	Underway (On track)	In 2023 the CCA network grow by 8.5% taking all-time membership to 455 organisations. New members for 2025 included Time Out, Anthesis Group, Gentrack, Work.Life and Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health. Joining the Camden Climate Alliance can be closely linked to later involvement in initiatives like the Business Climate Challenge and Climate Connectors programmes. More information on CCA progress can be found here: https://www.camdenclimatealliance.org.uk/our-impact
Organisations	4.6.1: From 2024, continue to support reduction of consumption emissions and waste produced in Camden.	New (2024 review)	Underway (In development)	New Action, previous progress updates provided in Action 1.1.9 and 4.2.4.

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE PLAN – OUTCOME PROGRESS UPDATE

This section provides a detailed update on the 14 outcomes in the Climate Adaptation and Resilience plan.

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People and Communities	1: Camden's community is empowered to protect themselves against climate risks.	Underway (On track)	<p>Camden produced advice on the four stages of flood risk: prepare, act, report and recover. Work is ongoing to produce similar advice for extreme heat. Camden also worked alongside the GLA to deliver leaflets advising Camden residents who live in basement properties on the risk of flash flooding and strengthened its work with community groups that protect residents from climate risks. This includes the South Hampstead Flood Action Group and residents in South End Green who formed a new flood action group in 2024.</p> <p>The Council continues to promote community resilience in Somers Town, where climate resilience is embedded in the Future Neighbourhood 2030 strategy framework (see: https://www.somerstown.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/STFN-2030-Area-Based-Strategy-final-1-1.pdf). This includes the installation of new green infrastructure at Levita House. Climate resilience is also the heart of the Chalton Street Public Realm Strategy, which will be implemented 2024-2025. Camden is working with partners to develop climate resilience plans for Somers Town's four main schools, with interim reports delivered in 2024.</p>
People and Communities	2: Health and social care professionals understand the health impacts associated with heat risk and other climate hazards and use this knowledge to protect public health.	Underway (On track)	<p>In July 2024, the Council held a workshop on the health risks of extreme heat, attended by staff from across all services. The workshop formed part of an ongoing programme of work that aims to increase understanding of the link between extreme heat and health, including related hazards like air quality. The programme is especially focused on frontline staff who work with critical infrastructure and vulnerable populations, such as in social care, housing and homelessness. The work is being carried forward with both internal and external partners, such as care homes, NHS Trusts and the health protection group. In 2025 we want to consolidate this work by developing a comprehensive heatwave communication plan for both council staff and the public.</p>

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People and Communities	3: Partner organisations proactively share information on how to mitigate climate hazards, including preventing fires and conserving water during drought.	Underway (On track)	<p>We continue to work with partner organisations to share information on preventing climate hazards and take practical steps to improve resilience. Camden works closely with Thames Water to mitigate sewer surcharging risk in Camden, for example by engaging with affected communities to identify priority areas. In South Hampstead, Thames Water has installed 39 non-return valves, devices which prevent sewer water from surcharging during heavy rain. Between January and October 2024, Thames Water visited 80 Camden food businesses to check their compliance with measures to prevent fats, oils and greases (FOG) being put into drains and causing blockages. 35 of these establishments were found to be compliant, 23 were no longer serving food and Thames Water worked with the remaining 22 to reduce FOG disposal into the sewer.</p> <p>Camden is working with the South Hampstead Flood Action Group (SHFAG) and the South End Green group to develop strategies for flood risk mitigation. In 2024 we collaborated with SHFAG to collate a successful bid for grant funding to deliver a sustainable drainage scheme on Goldhurst Terrace. We are working with residents in South End Green on an emerging natural flood management scheme.</p>

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Assets and Infrastructure	4: Camden's public realm and estates are adapted to provide protection to people from climate risks.	Underway (On track)	<p>Camden actively identifies opportunities to enhance greening on estates and in the public realm, increasing the borough's resilience to both heat and flood risks. For example, the Camden Transport Strategy Delivery Plan prioritises projects based on criteria including heat and flood risk data. Healthy Streets Checks are conducted for large transport schemes to recommend green infrastructure and shading solutions. The green space investment programme uses heat and flood risk data to shape project design and outputs. Throughout 2023, a number of greening schemes have been delivered, offering benefits like flood risk mitigation, shade, increased biodiversity and placemaking. These include a scheme on Goldhurst Terrace, Belsize Road, Priory Road and Priory Terrace.</p> <p>In 2024, Camden commissioned a detailed study of heat risk within the boundary of the Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood, a multi-project programme to transform Holborn into a place with attractive, healthy, accessible and safe streets for everyone. The study models heat risk with a focus on vulnerability and will produce recommendations for mitigating heat risk that will be incorporated into the wider programme of work.</p>
Assets and Infrastructure	5: Understand where high-risk existing infrastructure and assets are located and develop their resilience.	Underway (In development)	<p>Improving Camden's climate resilience was identified as a risk in the corporate risk register in November 2023, which requires directors across the Council to consider mitigation measures. Some services have begun incorporating standards and guidelines that can enhance resilience into their work. For example, in the Council's Capital Works programme, the schools and estates retrofit projects consider the risk of overheating and the need to provide ventilation for thermal comfort and air quality.</p> <p>Thames Water is also delivering improvements to the principal water treatment facility that supplies the Borough. This work aims to improve the resilience of supply, making it more able to respond to growing demand, climate change and unexpected interruptions. Thames Water is also delivering 9km of scheduled mains replacement work in Camden for the asset management period (AMP) 2020-2025.</p>

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Assets and Infrastructure	6: New buildings and infrastructure are designed to be resilient to future climate risks.	Underway (On track)	Camden continues to enforce planning policies requiring new developments to adopt appropriate climate change adaptation measures, including water efficiency requirements and bio-diverse green infrastructure, and major transport schemes incorporate urban greening where feasible. In January 2024, Camden published its new Strategic Flood Risk Assessment, which incorporates data and information generated from the 2021 floods to strengthen our understanding and response to flood risk. Among the changes are the addition of two new flood risk zones and an updated list of flooded streets, within which basement construction and major new developments are now subject to enhanced flood risk planning requirements.
Assets and Infrastructure	7: Existing public assets and services are adapted to help protect people from climate risks.	Underway (On track)	<p>For the second year, the Routes off The Street (RTS) team operated its cool space network, which provides shelter and support to rough sleepers when temperatures exceed 30C. Kilburn and Holborn libraries were available to provide water, sunscreen, refreshments, a place to sit and cool down, and signposting to RTS services. The RTS Hub in Camden Town was also available as a cool space for extended opening hours, run by an outreach team that offer welfare checks. In May 2024 a nurse delivered training to the RTS hub outreach team on recognising and treating heat-related illnesses. Separately, the Council has begun considering facilities that could be added to the GLA cool spaces programme in 2025.</p> <p>The Council works with Transport for London to deliver public health messaging about heat management during the summer months. Camden's tree planting policy will also support the impact of summer heat.</p>

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Assets and Infrastructure	8: Camden's schools, hospitals and other social infrastructure are supported to build resilience to climate risks.	Underway (On track)	Camden is working with four schools in Somers Town to develop climate resilience plans, with preliminary reports delivered in August 2024. We are now seeking to support each school with up to £5k in funding to deliver the recommended resilience measures. The Council leads and participates in a number of forums that bring together partners within the borough to support resilience building in social infrastructure. Examples include: the Borough Resilience Forum, a statutory multi-agency partnership that responds to emergencies and includes hospital trusts; and the Health Protection Group. Camden is also working alongside the GLA-led London Surface Water Strategic Group, which is developing a long-term, pan-London surface water flooding risk management strategy and implementation plan.
Council services	9: Council services understand how climate risks may affect service delivery and improve their resilience to the risk.	Underway (On track)	In November 2023, the Council added improving Camden's climate resilience to its corporate risk register, requiring senior leaders across council services to work toward mitigation measures. Work is being done to increase awareness of climate risks across services, such as through the internal Heatwave Workshop on extreme heat and public health, delivered in July 2024. The Council's Capital Works programme considers standards and guidelines on overheating in its schools and estates retrofit programmes, while services like Transport and Green Space use climate risk data to identify priority areas and design resilient schemes. The Council will continue work with services to enhance their climate adaptation and resilience throughout 2025. The Council's learning and development platform includes a module on environmental stewardship, with a dedicated section on climate resilience.

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Council services	10: Camden has a robust emergency response approach for all foreseeable climate risks.	Underway (On track)	The Council's Emergency Control Centre provides early notification of possible climate risks, including flash-flooding and heatwaves, to key points of contact across Council services and external partners. These alerts leverage data from the Environment Agency, the MET Office, the London Resilience Unit and the UK Health Security Agency. The Emergency Management Team continues to collaborate with the multi-agency Borough Resilience Forum during emergencies and maintains the Multi-Agency Flood Plan. The Council has begun drafting an Adverse Weather Plan, which we aim to deliver in the next reporting period.
Businesses, organisations and local economy	11. Local businesses have a good understanding of climate risk and how to improve their resilience	Underway (In development)	In previous years we have signposted businesses to central government websites for guidance on flood risk and developing preparedness plans, and delivered events focused on the impact of climate resilience on businesses. In July 2023, the Camden Climate Alliance (CCA, a network of over 400 businesses, community groups and schools) collaborated with Great Ormond Street Hospital to deliver a sustainability workshop with a focus on how resilience impacts service and care provision.
Businesses, organisations and local economy	12: The local economy supports green infrastructure investment across Camden.	Underway (On track)	Camden is working with major landowners, businesses and residents to progress its vision for a green corridor through projects like Bloomsbury Vision and Holborn Liveable Neighbourhood. In 2024, a steering group for the Bloomsbury Vision was created, bringing together members of the local economy. Consultation on the Holborn Vision took place in spring and a final version should be adopted by the end of 2024. At the local level, the Climate Connectors programme helped to mobilise several businesses on community greening projects in 2023-24. For example, the Green Loop Business Beeline involved 26 businesses installing 23 new planters on Drummond Street, and volunteers from Camden businesses helped plant around 80 new trees on Abbey and Mortimer Estates over four days in January and February. The Council has begun scoping for a project that would enable businesses to fund green infrastructure in the borough, which we hope to progress in 2025.

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Nature and environment	13. Camden's Green spaces and other green infrastructure are resilient to a changing climate.	Underway (In development)	The development of a Green Infrastructure Strategy, which sets out a borough-wide approach to the design, delivery and maintenance of greening projects, embedding climate resilience as a guiding principle, is due in 2025. Work is underway to consider and identify specific maintenance tasks that can benefit climate resilience, with a view to incorporating these in the costing of a new grounds' maintenance contract. Meanwhile, Camden continues to deliver its Biodiversity Action Plan, and the existing actions are currently undergoing a review. Additional progress made against this outcome is captured as part of Outcome 4 .
Nature and environment	14: Camden's community help to make private and community gardens more climate resilient.	Underway (In development)	Camden has created an informal Nature Partnership with community groups, residents and other organisations that engaged with the development of the Biodiversity Strategy, and want to remain engaged with its implementation. Development of a Nature Recovery Network is also underway and will feed into a similar London-wide network being developed by the GLA. In September 2024, we launched a "Climate Actions" section of Camden EcoPoints, a long-running online scheme which rewards residents for environmentally friendly actions. The new section promotes a range of climate friendly actions, such as encouraging residents to enhance the resilience of their gardens by installing a water butt or using household run-off water in the garden. The programme also promotes depaving private gardens, providing resources and education to residents on why this is important and how it can be done, and rewarding those who undertake depaving to green the grey.

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