



Decarbonisation Programme Newsletter

Green Great Britain week

The Welsh Government is working with UK Government as part of Green Great Britain Week **15 - 19 October**. This will be a week of policy announcements and media activity across the UK designed to promote the opportunities that come from clean growth and raise awareness of how everyone can contribute to tackling climate change.

Green Great Britain week will help raise awareness of the importance of transition to a low carbon economy both recognised in *Prosperity for All*, Economic Action Plan and the UK's Industrial Strategy.

In this newsletter we provide an overview of some of the interesting **case studies** in Wales highlighting action on climate change as well as some useful information and links for business and the public. **You can follow the week events via Twitter using #GreenWales and #greengb** and access a UK Government [Toolkit](#) which provides ideas of how to get involved.

International Panel on Climate Change

The European Launch of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's (IPCC) Special Report on 1.5°C has been launched and you can find it [here](#).



This report contains scientific, technical and socio-economic information on the impacts of, and global emissions pathways towards, limiting global warming to 1.5°. The link to the report is [here](#) and you can find our Welsh Government response [here](#)

Global Climate Action Summit – 2018

Lesley Griffiths, Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs attended the Global Climate Action Summit between the 9-14 September. The Summit brought leaders and people together from around the world to “Take Ambition to the Next Level” and showcased the achievements of states, regions, cities, companies, investors and citizens with respect to climate action.

At the summit the Cabinet Secretary signed up to the Powering Past coal Alliance with 9 other members and Wales also signed up to the C40 Cities’ [Advancing Towards Zero Waste Declaration](#) alongside some of the world’s leading cities & regions.

You can read the Welsh Government blog on the Climate Group website which highlights the need for Wales to transition to a low carbon economy [here](#) and can follow the Cabinet Secretary’s attendance at the summit [here](#).



Decarbonisation Programme Update

The Welsh Government’s consultation “Achieving a low carbon pathway to 2030” closed on 4 October. Over the consultation period we received views from across the length and breadth of Wales. These included

- Events in Cardiff and Llandudno to raise awareness of the Welsh context and capture views on the cross-sector questions in the consultation (prioritisation and collaboration)
- Webinar with WCVA to reach third sector and voluntary groups
- Outreach at Caerphilly Castle to engage the public during the summer holidays
- Ongoing Twitter activity to promote and share the consultation from the Cabinet Secretary for Energy, Planning and Rural Affairs and the Minister for Environment
- Sought to understand the impacts on various groups by proactively engaging with Children’s Commissioner, Age Alliance Wales, Older People’s Commissioner, Chwarae Teg, Stonewall Cymru, Muslim Council for Wales, Welsh Language Commissioner, Equality and Human Rights Commission, Diverse Cymru and Oxfam Cymru
- Held individual meetings with groups and stakeholders from across sectors

We received 241 responses including 94 from young people. We will publish a response to the consultation later this year.

Useful information

Contact your **energy supplier** or visit their website for more information about how you can get a [smart meter](#), helping you to save money and take control of your energy use.

Visit eachhomecountsadvice.org.uk and see what action you can take today to cut your energy bills and make your **home greener**

Visit the [Community Energy Wales](#), an online free resource which provides information on community energy and supports information sharing amongst other organisations

Understand your own [carbon footprint](#) and how it can be reduced.

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