Castor Parish Council.
The Climate Emergency
What we will do to try and reduce carbon emissions.
(DRAFT 4)

THE CLIMATE EIGHT.   The Parish Council will work with our community, our City Council and our local Climate Action Group to make our contribution towards combatting the Climate Emergency with the following aims:

1. Help publicise and communicate within the Parish, relevant information on national and local schemes to promote renewable energy and greater energy efficiency. This will help to reduce carbon use, and the production of harmful greenhouse gases.

2. Work to maintain and improve the existing footpaths, cycleways and bridleways and, where needed, establish new routes so promoting and encouraging the health and environmental benefits of walking, cycling and horse riding.

3. Reduce car use through measures such as promoting car-sharing and the provision and use of public transport.

4. Work within our community and with our City Council to promote reuse, repair and recycling schemes and support the council's aim of sending zero waste to landfill or incineration.

5. To manage Parish Council land to encourage biodiversity and where appropriate, to plant trees and hedgerows to help carbon capture. To also encourage local people to develop new habitats in their own gardens. To engage with the local 'Nature Recovery' group/s to discuss and facilitate appropriate schemes with the above aims.

6. Inspire and work with the people of the Parish to eliminate litter and waste,

7. Encourage our community, and especially our allotment holders, to share produce. Encourage initiatives promoting the buying of local and seasonal food.

8. When reviewing all planning applications, in line with Town and Country Planning Acts and our Neighbourhood plan, we will include an 'environmental objective'. This includes protecting and enhancing our natural, built and historic environment, making effective use of land, improving biodiversity, minimising waste and pollution and mitigating the effects of climate change.

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