

## Welcome to Great Green Bedwyn !

This project is funded by National Lottery “Together for Our Planet” and supported by the Parish Council. It will help the village to decide what we can do to prevent and respond to climate change. We need to agree our priorities and develop a climate action plan before it gets much hotter, wetter, windier, drier and colder here.

Please complete our survey as an individual member of the local community. All results will be anonymous and the information you give will only be used in Great Green Bedwyn (within GDPR).

This survey should only take you 15 minutes to complete (we've checked).

**Please complete it by Friday 25 February and return it to the Post Office.** If you prefer to complete it online use <https://tinyurl.com/3fn4vhnu>. You will also find a link on the Parish Council and school websites and the ‘Looking after Great Bedwyn’ Facebook page.

For more information please contact: [greatgreenbedwyn@gmail.com](mailto:greatgreenbedwyn@gmail.com).

Thank you!

### Climate change in Great Bedwyn

The world has already warmed up by 1.2C and we need to keep this temperature increase below 2C to prevent catastrophic changes to the climate and all living plants and animals. So, there is some urgency for us all to help reduce the impact we have on our world. Unfortunately, we can't just rely on governments and corporations to do this for us. Very little will happen without each of us making small changes in different aspects of our lives – travel, waste, consumption, home energy, food – and doing more to support nature.

**Which of the following climate change effects do you think will have the largest impact on how we live in Great Bedwyn?**

Please tick one

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| Hotter summers                                     |  |
| Wetter, windier winters                            |  |
| Changes in the crops and plants that grow here     |  |
| Loss of some local wildlife and wildflower species |  |
| Local flooding with heavier rain                   |  |
| Extreme weather events                             |  |

**How long do you think it will be before we feel climate change effects in Great Bedwyn ?**

Please tick one

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| We are already feeling the effects |  |
| Not yet, but within 3 years        |  |
| Within 4-10 years                  |  |
| It will take more than 10 years    |  |
| Don't know                         |  |

# Can you reduce your 'carbon footprint' ?

The world is getting hotter because we are emitting too much Carbon Dioxide (CO2) and other greenhouse gases. In the UK, most emissions come from our travel, homes, diet, consumption and waste (eg. food waste). We all have different "carbon footprints" and need to make small changes to reduce them - the problem is knowing where to start ! This survey may give you some ideas about what you can do to help yourself and the climate. Together, we can make a significant difference - and many of these changes can save us money, too !

## Travel

What would you consider doing to reduce your own CO2 emissions ?

| Please tick column best describing your intention -> | I already do this | I will do this in 2022 | I would like to do this soon | I will never do this | Not applicable |
|--|-------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Use more public transport                            |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Lobby for better cycle routes                        |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Join a car sharing club                              |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Support installation of electric vehicle chargers    |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Support restricting rural road speeds to 50mph       |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Reduce the number flights you take                   |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |
| Get a fully electric car (not a hybrid)              |                   |                        |                              |                      |                |

## Consumption: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair and Share

Which of the following actions do you carry out to reduce carbon emissions ?

| Please tick column best describing your actions ->       | Often | Sometimes | Never | Not applicable |
|--|-------|-----------|-------|----------------|
| Buy vintage/second-hand clothes                          |       |           |       |                |
| Sell or donate surplus items rather than throw them away |       |           |       |                |
| Repair broken items yourself                             |       |           |       |                |
| Take broken items to the Hungerford repair cafe          |       |           |       |                |
| Visit charity shops for presents or clothes              |       |           |       |                |
| Borrow books from a library or friends                   |       |           |       |                |
| Lend tools or equipment to friends                       |       |           |       |                |
| Read newspapers online instead of buying a paper         |       |           |       |                |
| Reuse Christmas decorations and paper where possible     |       |           |       |                |

## Home Energy:

What would help you to reduce your heating bills?

Please tick any

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| A heat loss survey of your house to find out where to insulate it                    |  |
| Advice on practical changes eg. installing a Heat Pump                               |  |
| Help with switching energy suppliers or tariffs                                      |  |
| Combining with others to get group discounts eg. on loft insulation, PV installation |  |
| Advice about how to make your home more eco-friendly                                 |  |
| Advice on Government grants or loans to make these changes                           |  |

## Diet and food

Which of the following actions would you take to reduce your food-related emissions?

| Please tick the column which best describes your intentions -> | Often | Sometimes | Never | Not applicable |
|--|-------|-----------|-------|----------------|
| Donate spare food to a local food bank                         |       |           |       |                |
| Put spare fresh food in a community fridge                     |       |           |       |                |
| Use food beyond the 'use by' date using a 'sniff' test         |       |           |       |                |
| Avoid eating meat 1-2 days a week                              |       |           |       |                |
| Avoid eating dairy foods 1-2 days a week                       |       |           |       |                |
| Use a central food waste collection point for the village      |       |           |       |                |
| Avoid air-freighted items eg. African beans                    |       |           |       |                |
| Use more locally grown food                                    |       |           |       |                |
| Eat seasonally and avoid hot-house grown fruit and veg         |       |           |       |                |
| Use food more efficiently and buy less                         |       |           |       |                |
| Grow you own fruit and veg                                     |       |           |       |                |

## Supporting wildlife and the environment

What steps could you take to support animals, birds, insects and plants around Great Bedwyn?

| Please tick the column which best describes your actions-> | I already do this | I plan to do this in 2022 | I would like to do this soon | I will never do this | Not applicable |
|--|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Feed wild birds  |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Build a pond in the garden                                 |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Keep your cat indoors overnight                            |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Delay mowing your lawn until May                           |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Make hedgehog holes in your fences                         |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Support a community woodland                               |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Stop using garden chemicals                                |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Cultivate plants for pollinators eg. bees                  |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Campaign to reduce water pollution in the canal & river    |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |
| Plant trees  |                   |                           |                              |                      |                |

**Important: What else could we do to reduce our carbon footprints?** Please add any suggestions

**Free Help: Would you like help from a member of the Great Green Bedwyn team to:**

- Carry out a heat loss survey of your home?
- Calculate your personal carbon footprint ?

If so, please add your email address or phone number below and we will get in touch. This information will only be used by Great Green Bedwyn.

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## Future village events

We will be arranging expert-led events about climate topics of most interest. These events will help us decide which are the most important and feasible changes we can make to reduce our emissions in Great Bedwyn. Please tick up to 3 topics for expert-led events that you would like to attend.

Please tick up to 3

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| A community energy scheme for Great Bedwyn                   |  |
| Flood prevention   |  |
| Supporting birds, insects, plants and animals in our gardens |  |
| Improving the energy efficiency of our homes                 |  |
| Electric cars and electric charging points                   |  |
| Changing our diet to save the planet                         |  |
| Reduce, reuse, recycle, repair and share                     |  |
| Reducing the pollution of our river                          |  |
| Other: please add  |  |

## Last part: About you

Finally, we are asking for a little information about you to understand what matters to different groups in our community. Your details will only be used by Great Green Bedwyn (under GDPR).

### What age group are you in?

|          |       |       |       |       |             |                   |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------------|-------------------|
| Under 18 | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-65 | 66-79 | 80 and over | Prefer not to say |
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### What best describes your occupation

Please tick one

|   |  |
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| Retired   |  |
| Full time employment ( employed or self employed) |  |
| Full time education                               |  |
| Unemployed  |  |
| Part time employment                              |  |
| Other ( please add)                               |  |

## Getting involved in Great Green Bedwyn

If you would like to join Great Green Bedwyn or want any information about the project, please leave your email address below. This will only be used by Great Green Bedwyn (within GDPR).

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**Thank you very much**