

# YOU SAID, WE DID: CLIMATE EMERGENCY

## During our Issues and Options engagement in 2021, you said

- Addressing the climate emergency is important to you.
- The Local Plan can help in tackling the climate emergency through requiring solar panels, addressing pollution, retrofitting buildings, encouraging sustainable transport and the provision of parks.
- There are issues with the harsh environment in many parts of the borough, including poor air quality, noise and light pollution.
- Localised flooding is a significant concern for residents.
- Investment and upgrades to flood defences are needed.



## Our evidence says

- New zero carbon homes, which save power and energy and should generate renewable electricity with solar panels are deliverable.
- New industrial buildings can generate substantial amounts of renewable electricity using solar panels.
- Overheating of new buildings can be mitigated through good design.
- Newham has poor levels of air quality across the borough.
- Existing buildings can be retrofitted, with guidance to enable more high quality retrofit to take place in the borough.
- Without new water management solutions including sustainable drainage, new developments in areas of significant growth will increase stress on regional water resources.



## The Plan proposes

- A new approach to zero carbon homes with all new buildings to use ultra-low amounts of energy, not use gas boilers for heating and generate their own energy using solar panels.
- New buildings have to demonstrate they are meeting our targets, using certifications like Passivhaus, and will be monitored after completion.
- New requirements for embodied carbon and overheating to be considered earlier in design.
- Encouraging the retrofit of existing buildings, ensuring that the highest standards are met.
- Development should mitigate or improve Newham's poor air quality.
- Measures to reduce new developments to the risks of all types of flooding, with guidance around the benefits of more sustainable measures to reduce water entering the sewer network.
- Support the Thames Estuary Plan for managing flood risk in the Thames, including any updates to reflect climate change.

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## How can I get involved?



### Online

Use the QR code to visit [Co-Create](#) and read and comment on the Draft Local Plan.



### At our libraries

Read the Draft Local Plan at all local libraries and provide feedback through the printed questionnaire.



### Come to one of our events

Come to one of the following [events](#) to find out more and provide your feedback.



Have your say before 20 February 2023

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