

# Taking action on climate change in Sefton

## Welcome back to Sefton's Climate Newsletter!

Here's what you can look forward to in this edition:

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**Coming soon: Sefton Council's 2025/26 Annual Report**

**Big news - the Annual Report is coming soon!**

Welcome to the second Climate Newsletter of 2026, which comes with an important update.

We'll soon be publishing our Climate Emergency Annual Report for 2025/26.

In the report, you'll see detailed information on the likes of:

- How our Emergency Plan is progressing and an update on emissions reductions as we aim for Net Zero status by 2030
- The money and energy that's being saved for both residents and the Council through various projects
- What our big targets are for 2026/27

Keep a close eye on Sefton Council's social media channels and the MySefton news site for an announcement when the report is published.

You can see our most recent reports (as well as the 2025/26 report once it's published) by clicking the button below.

[Read our climate reports](#)



## Rainwater gardens bring positive flow to schools

Rain, rain, go away!

Three Sefton schools have had new rainwater gardens installed for free by United Utilities' rainwater management team.

The gardens have tons of benefits, including the fact that the extra-absorbent plants reduce the impact of heavy rainfall while easing the burden on drains during rainy periods.

Hatton Hill Primary, Holy Spirit Primary and English Martyrs Primary are now the proud hosts of brand new rainwater gardens. Another six schools will receive an installation in the near future.

[Read about UU's rainwater programme](#)



## **Council unveils Climate Action Plan for Schools**

Sefton Council's Utilities and Climate team is supporting schools in planning their climate actions with a brand new guide.

The guide, as well as the resources [available online](#), will help schools develop their own Climate Action Plan.

As well as looking at decarbonisation, the guide shows schools how they can reduce the risk of flooding or overheating, improve biodiversity and bring green topics into curriculum projects.

Schools can play a huge part not only in tackling the climate emergency, but in inspiring the next generation to be the new protectors of our environment.

The Utilities and Climate team will continue offering guidance to school leads, and you can click the button below to stay up to speed.

Sign up for updates here!



## Council Powering Up Plans for Electric Vehicle Charging Points

Efforts to support the transition to electric vehicles (EVs) have gone up a gear with Sefton Council approving a new Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy in April.

The Strategy focuses on providing options to EV users who don't have off street parking or the option of getting a private charging port. It also puts in place actions to encourage investment by the private sector.

Funding from the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Fund (LEVI) will help the Council install charge points across its car parks and to try some on-street chargers in trial areas.

The Council is also still planning ways to help residents with cross pavement solutions. This will be funded separately by the Electric Vehicle Pavement Channels Grant.

Do you have a suggestion for where an EV charging point could be installed? Just visit [www.sefton.gov.uk/evcharging](http://www.sefton.gov.uk/evcharging) to tell us all about it!

Learn more about LEVI



## Good news for your brown bins!

Now that improvements to household waste collection are in effect, you can put even more items in your recycling bin than ever before.

Making the switch to the brown bin are the likes of:

- Biscuit tins
- Plastic food pots
- Aerosol cans

Anything that has had food in needs to be washed before going in the bin. Our advice: use the water that's left over after doing the dishes!

Click the link below for the news in full.

[MySefton News](#)

## In Case You Missed It...

Our March Newsletter didn't reach everyone, so here's a quick round-up of what you may have missed:

- News on how our Healthy Green Homes team warmed residents' winters
- Details on our "Think, Act, Save" energy-reducing campaign
- A look ahead to food waste collections

- An update from the Bereavement Services team on how they combine dignity with efficiency.

You can read the full newsletter (and more of our past editions) by clicking the button below!

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## Green Awareness Days Coming Up

### World Environment Day

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June**

A special observance will be held in Azerbaijan, but everyone is invited to join in with this global environmental awareness campaign. There are events happening all over the world.

### The Great Big Green Week

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June**

There'll be activities all over the country as the UK's biggest celebration of community action to tackle climate change takes place over nine days.

### Net Zero Week

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

The Net Zero conference - and awareness week - highlights Net Zero initiatives. It's close to our heart, given Sefton Council's goal of being Net Zero by 2030.

[Events](#)

## Quiz time!

Here's a quick challenge to round off this edition of the Climate Newsletter.

This newsletter's question is: **What year does Sefton Council aim to make its activities Net Zero by?**

Click the right answer to learn more about our Climate Emergency Strategy!

**A: 2030**

B: 2035

C: 2050

## We'd love to hear from you!

What climate news or information would you like to hear about in the next newsletter?

- What the Council's doing to save energy
- Small steps you can take to make a difference
- More details about ongoing projects

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