Children's Report
Actions Needed to Tackle Climate Change

What people in Wales said about homes, travel and farming

People want to protect the climate. They need support to make changes that are fair for everyone.



A children’s version of the report on views shared for Wales’s 2026 to 2030 climate plan

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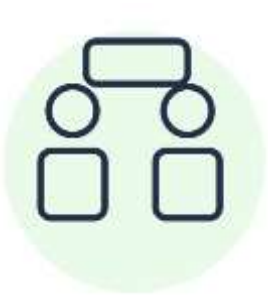
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About this booklet



This booklet explains what people said about cutting the gases that warm our planet. It covers **homes, travel, farming and land** in Wales.



Welsh Government asked people for their views between **October 2025 and February 2026**. Miller Research brought these together in a report.



People joined local events, an online conference and group discussions. Some children and young people took part too. These views do not represent everyone in Wales.



The report will help Welsh Government develop its plan. **The ideas here are suggestions, not promises.** You can read this booklet by yourself or with someone else.

Understanding climate change



Climate is the usual weather in a place over a long time. Our planet is getting warmer, which is changing weather patterns and increasing risks such as flooding and extreme heat.



Greenhouse gases trap heat around Earth. Burning coal, oil and gas adds more of them to the air. Other activities, including farming, release them too.



A **carbon budget** is a limit on the greenhouse gases Wales can release over five years. It is not a pot of money. Carbon Budget 3 covers **2026 to 2030**.



Net zero cutting greenhouse gas emissions as much as possible, then balancing any remaining emissions by removing the same amount from the atmosphere. Wales aims to reach net zero by **2050**.

What people said matters



People said that cost gets in the way. Warmer homes, different farming methods and cleaner ways to travel can cost more than people can afford.



People need choices that work. For example, a family cannot use a bus that does not come near their home. Wanting to change is not always enough.



People want clear information and advice they can trust. They also want a say in decisions about their own communities.



Everyone has a part to play, including governments, businesses and local communities.

Homes that work better



People want homes that use less energy and are comfortable to live in. They raised worries about damp, mould and homes becoming too hot.



Insulation helps stop heat escaping from a building. People suggested better insulation and cleaner ways to heat homes, with improvements suited to each building.



Home improvements can be expensive. People want financial help, simple advice and skilled workers who do a good job. People who rent need their landlords to help make changes.



People suggested more solar panels, which use sunlight to make electricity. They want people who rent their homes to benefit too. They also saw chances for local jobs installing and maintaining home improvements.

Getting around more easily



People want buses and trains that are reliable, affordable and easy to use. They said services can be especially difficult to use in the countryside.



People want safer places to walk, wheel and cycle. Better crossings, lighting and routes could help more people travel in these ways.



Electric cars were part of the discussion. People raised concerns about cost, charging points and batteries. They want more practical support for people who use them.



Travel changes need to work for disabled people, younger and older people, and people without internet access. People should still be able to reach school, work, shops and friends.

Farming food and nature



Farmers grow food and look after land. People said farmers need money, training and clear advice to reduce greenhouse gases and cope with changing weather.



People suggested caring for soil, protecting wildlife and planting the right trees in the right places. Land needs to support food production, nature and the people who depend on it.



Ideas included community gardens and more chances to buy food from local growers. People also want children to learn where food comes from and how farming works.



People want farmers involved in decisions. They worried about farmers being blamed unfairly, losing access to land or struggling to make a living. Changes need to protect rural communities too.

Making changes fair



A **fair transition** means making changes in ways that help people and do not leave some groups worse off. Different people may need different support.



People with less money should be able to benefit too. People want support that is easier to find, understand and apply for.



Information needs to work for people who speak different languages or find reading difficult. Help should also be available to people who cannot use the internet.

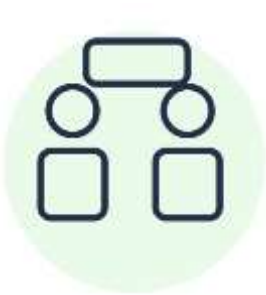


We need to cut greenhouse gases and prepare for changes already happening. People suggested homes and land that can cope better with heat and heavy rain.

What the report says



People said they need help to make choices that protect the climate. Affordable travel, clear advice and help with costs would make it easier for more people to take part.



People want to help shape changes in their local area. Listening to their ideas and supporting local projects can build trust and help communities work together.



Not everyone needs the same help. Different people and communities may need different support. Climate plans should include everyone from the start so that all people can benefit.



Changes can protect the climate and improve everyday life. Better transport, cleaner energy and caring for nature can also support healthier communities and create jobs.

Words

Greenhouse gases - Gases that trap heat around the Earth and make it warmer.

Emissions - Greenhouse gases released into the air.

Carbon budget - A limit on the amount of greenhouse gases Wales can release over five years.

Net zero - Cutting greenhouse gas emissions as much as possible and balancing any that remain by removing the same amount from the air.

Renewable energy - Energy from sources that are naturally replaced, such as sunlight, wind and water.

Fair transition - Making changes to tackle climate change in a way that is fair and benefits everyone, with support for people who need it.