



**North East  
Derbyshire**  
District Council

# Council Plan 2023 - 2027

A summary of progress for **a great place that cares for the environment** for the period January to March 2026 (Q4)





## This quarter, the following progress has been made on *reducing carbon emissions and pollution across the district*

Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to reduce their carbon emissions

- The Council's pilot project to install six electric vehicle charge points at Mill Lane offices was issued for tender at the end of March, with contract award expected in May 2026.
- Delivered sustained digital communications promoting recycling, waste reduction and correct recycling behaviours, including Simpler Recycling preparation and food waste rollout messaging (web, GovDelivery and social media).
- Pre-application advice given for large scale EV charging site adjacent to the motorway.
- **Warm Homes Wave 3 funding has been secured to support the retrofit of a further 376 homes over the next three years, helping to improve energy efficiency, reduce carbon emissions and lower household energy costs.**

Works commenced in June 2025 and include measures such as external wall insulation, solar panels, improved ventilation, air source heat pumps and loft insulation. The programme directly supports the Government's 2030 carbon reduction targets, with potential for additional funding to further extend the scheme.
- These grant-funded retrofit schemes are improving the energy efficiency of the Council's housing stock and supporting progress towards achieving an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) rating of C or above, in line with the Government's 2030 target.
- During Quarter 4, 50 properties were completed, bringing the year-one total for Warm Homes Wave 3 to 92 homes. A small number of completions were re-profiled due to minor delays, with the remaining 20 homes scheduled for handover in April 2026.
- **Whiteleas - This regeneration project is now fully complete, the S278 works to the existing highways have been signed off by DCC and the works are now on 12 months maintenance.**

Of the 22 homes for sale, 9 remain unsold. Homes are being actively marketed and options considered for the unsold homes.





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- The Warm Homes Local Grant Scheme continues to be delivered, with works managed by Sustainable Building Services and supported by Council teams.

**• During the quarter, 53 homes were improved, bringing the total to 58 homes in 2025/26. To date, £590,475 of funding has been committed, with a total of £1,049,475 allocated for the year (including an in-year uplift).**

- The scheme supports warmer, more energy-efficient homes and contributes to reducing fuel poverty and carbon emissions across the district.

### **Continually reduce the Council's own carbon emissions**

- During the quarter, two electric pool vehicles and a hybrid transit van were added to the Council's fleet, supporting progress towards lower-emission travel. Deployment will follow completion of the required charging infrastructure.

### **Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to reduce pollution**

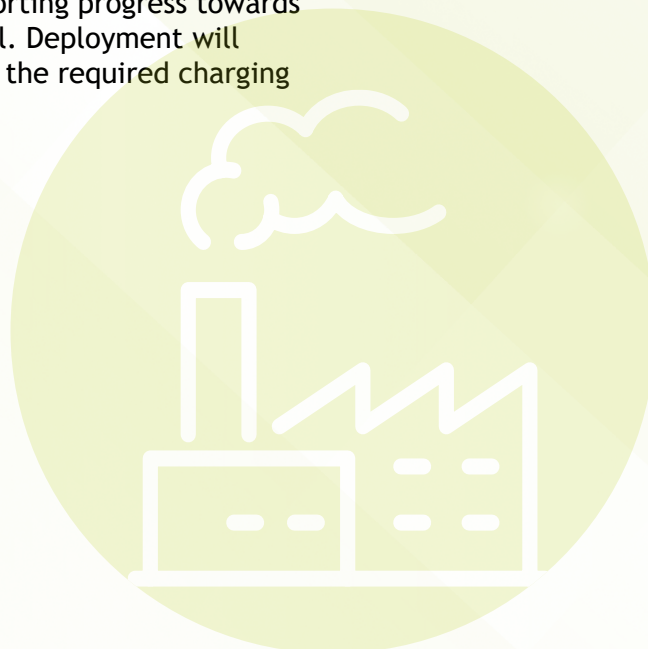
- Work is ongoing with no significant change since the previous quarter.

### **Develop policies and plans which require and encourage alternatives to car usage**

- Supported promotion of walking-based health initiatives (e.g. Snap and Chat walking groups) through social and digital channels.
- Discussions continued with the East Midlands Combined County Authority regarding procurement of transport modelling, including sustainable transport considerations.

### **Directly and with partners and residents, reduce litter and pollution from waste**

- Environment Scrutiny Committee received an update on achievements to date against the Climate Change Action Plan Update.





This quarter, the following progress has been made on ***increasing biodiversity across the district***



**Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to utilise their assets to improve biodiversity**

- Work is ongoing with no significant change since the previous quarter.

**Where appropriate, utilise Council assets to improve biodiversity**

- The Lido delivery and action plan is progressing, with agreed actions and timescales in place to address all issues identified through the Scrutiny Review. A key milestone within the plan is the Biodiversity Recovery Plan, which is being undertaken by Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. The survey work is underway and the final report findings are due to be completed by September 2026.

