



We're ready for change!

With a new government at the helm and fresh faces in local politics too, we're excited about the climate-positive changes being proposed... but as we know, actions speak louder than words! As we continue to push policy-makers to deliver on their promises to meet net zero; here's a round-up of local news and activities...

ZCH News

Walk to School Success

Over 16,000 students from 47 local schools have reduced their emissions through our Walk to School and Car Free Friday campaigns during the 2023-24 academic year! We've been awarding schools for their amazing effort; see all the pictures and positive messages from staff and pupils [here](#).



Our path to a greener future

[Read our post-election summary](#) of Labour's climate commitments and our role working alongside new faces in politics in the Harrogate Advertiser.

Positive prospects for the region

Earlier this month, we met with the York & North Yorkshire Combined Authority - the body headed by newly elected Mayor, David Skaith. They shared their ambitious climate action plans, including a refreshed pathway to make the area carbon neutral by 2034, and explained their new Carbon Negative Challenge Fund, which will enable us to bid for money to support our projects in Harrogate. We look forward to building a productive relationship with Katie Thomas and her team.

“ It has been a wonderful way to unite local school communities through such a positive climate action.

– Fiona Jones, ZCH Event Coordinator

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Let's Talk Rubbish!

Help shape the future of household recycling collections in North Yorkshire to improve the service and address climate breakdown by [sharing your thoughts with the council](#) by 24th September.

ZCH Events

A brilliant evening

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our AGM and the fascinating talk by climate expert Piers Forster! The evening was filled with [inspiring insights](#) and meaningful conversations. It was great to share our updates plus news from our [Retrofit Project](#) Manager John Kerr.

Save the date!

Our next event will be on 18th September – look out for more details coming out soon...



Other Events

[NORTHALLERTON SUSTAINABILITY MEET UP](#)

[ALLOTMENT SHOW](#)

Other Resources

[BECOME A CLIMATE AMBASSADOR!](#)

A two-year programme, funded by the Department for Education wants Volunteer Ambassadors to support the education sector to reduce its climate impact.

Whether you're an individual, based in an educational setting, or an organisation, you can [get involved](#).

Together We Can!

Click the icons to follow the Zero Carbon Harrogate socials.



Donate to Zero Carbon Harrogate

Zero Carbon Harrogate is a small charity with a big ambition: to make Harrogate District net zero by 2030. To achieve this we rely on our supporters to fund our work. If you would like to make a monthly or one-off donation to ZCH, you can set up a Direct Debit or one-off payment using our bank account details. Any donations will go towards helping us achieve our goals. Thank you for your support.

Bank	The Co-operative Bank
Account Name	Zero Carbon Harrogate
Account Number	65819650
Sort Code	08 92 99
Charity Number	1192634



Reminder

Would you like a volunteering role that combines your interests and skills with taking climate action? If you can spare some time, we have various working groups for people to get involved in and different skills are needed! If any of these areas interest you, [please get in touch!](#)



Natural Climate Solutions **Political Advocacy**
Energy Transport **Business**
Planning **Retrofit** **Schools**

Political Advocacy

With new faces in key local leadership roles such as the Mayor David Skaith and MP Tom Gordon, now is a particularly interesting time to get involved with political advocacy! We need to maintain a watching brief on what's going on in the area and keep an eye on relevant consultations so that we can be ready to respond to any changes proposed.

Could you help us?

Planning

Are you interested in the development of your local area? If you want a real say in what goes on, then [join the ZCH Planning group!](#) Desirable skills include researching, writing an eye for design and fact-checking!

ZCH Vacancies



We've got loads of exciting volunteering opportunities with ZCH!

Schools

Take charge of our super successful Walk to School and Car Free Friday campaigns! Many of the event days now run themselves, but we'd love to continue growing the project by getting more people involved! We've already got the resources in place; we just need a motivated person to take the reins!

Transport

We're looking for a dynamic group of people from all sorts of backgrounds, with a real drive and passion for low carbon transport to join our next meeting on 28th October. This is an open invite to come along and find out how you can shape ZCH's focus on transport going forward. Whether you'd love better bus services or to see more cycling routes, [please get in touch!](#)

Other Vacancies

Neighbourhood Planning

Like to share your opinion? The new [Neighbourhood Plan Forum](#) are looking for more volunteers to help shape a new vision. This is your chance to make a difference to the area and improve the things that matter to you! Enquire for more details [here](#).

If you have questions about any of these roles, email hello@zerocarbonharrogate.org.uk.

Sign up as a member

Become a member with Zero Carbon Harrogate today for £12 a year to support our climate action and enjoy exclusive benefits.

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