

Footpath Access and Healthier Lifestyles

The Parish Council has initiated some projects such as improvements to footpaths and car charging. We would like to work with them to do more in the future.

Here are some examples of work by the parish council you might have missed:



- Getting better access to the Countryside is important for improving physical health.
- The new bus shelter at Borough Post will help keep students and others dry while waiting for buses at this exposed location.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING OR SUPPORTING THIS NEW LOCAL ENVIRONMENT GROUP?

Please tick if you can:-

- Help with practical action
- Help with running the group
- Receive email updates

Please submit any ideas for the group you may have:-

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North Curry Environment Group

A new group focused on the environmental welfare in the North Curry area

We are lucky to live in a lovely area where many people care about our environment...

Governments around the world are failing to fulfill their promises in acting to keep temperature rise within the 1.5 degrees which would limit the damage to the planet's ecosystem and human life within it.

But we can make a difference if we act in our own communities. Taking action is rewarding and can be good for us, both physically and mentally.

Photos show some of the action which has already been taken locally and is a strong foundation on which to build.

We only have until 2030 to take the measures needed globally to avoid the worst disasters which climate change will bring. We need to start now if we are to start making the changes in time. Join us today.



We live in an area which is very vulnerable to climate change



Flooding is currently largely caused by longer periods of heavy rainfall and changed land management. The Somerset Levels are in the top 3 areas in England for vulnerability to rising sea levels caused by melting ice caps.



The new group will aim to raise awareness of the simple things which can be done to reduce the impact of climate change by promoting local action, both by the community and individual households.

Land management for wildlife, amenity reducing carbon emissions

At White Street and Greenway there is active involvement by all ages in a variety of recreation, sport and play.

The White Street site includes a 2 acre Community Woodland. This is managed to encourage a wide range of wildlife, with a pond, bird boxes, bug hotels & to be an attractive area to walk around. We have very little woodland in North Curry parish so more trees will sequester more carbon and help to attract more wildlife.



Allotments, local food supply and education

We are lucky to have 3 sets of allotments in the village and the Post Office sells food from local sources where possible. We have opportunities to collaborate with the school providing environmental education and experience.



Climate Action Athelney (formerly Transition Athelney) has for several years been helping local orchard owners and gardeners to make use of their surplus apples by pressing them, bottling and pasteurising the juice. The equipment can also be hired out for people's own use.



Renewable Energy

- Three public buildings based in North Curry have had solar panels installed with funding from the community - village hall, sports pavilion and school. Many individual households also have solar panels on roofs but there is scope for many more.
- We also have some air source heating installations in the area. Battery storage systems can take advantage of lower electricity prices at night to power electric vehicles and cope with power.
- Electric vehicle charging points have recently been installed by the Parish Council at the village hall car park.

