



OUR BEST WORLD

The Early Years, Childcare, and School Readiness Service have developed 10 agreements to help us meet the Council's commitment to make Cambridgeshire a net zero county by 2045. We will...

Travel



1. Think carefully about the purpose of meeting face to face and whether the meeting could be held via TEAMS/another online platform. When meeting face to face, consider greener travel options where possible.

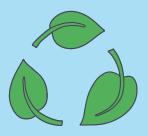
2. Arrange visits to settings/schools/office buildings in a similar geographical location on the same day to reduce carbon emissions and mileage. Provide colleagues within the service access to a carshare database of people who are willing and able to carshare. Consider the use of Council Pool Cars where appropriate.

3. Consider alternative ways to distribute resources to settings/schools, e.g., using CAFC or mobile libraries.

Training

- 4. Reduce printing by letting delegates know a copy of the slides will be sent after a training session. Trainers will use electronic whiteboard functions in preference to paper flipcharts. QR codes will be used for pre-reading/handouts/evaluations where possible. Delegates will be encouraged to take photos and make notes electronically.
- 5. Review the location of training venues. Training centres near public transportation routes should be prioritised and delegates will be encouraged to car share where possible. Training venues will be asked to reduce the use of single use plastics (e.g., cups/cutlery) and provide a recycling bin. Delegates will be asked to bring their own reusable water bottle and drinks cup.
 Consider using Sunley House for more training sessions as the Council are already heating and maintaining the building.
 6. Consider opportunities to promote nature protection and how to be environmentally friendly in training content and delivery.

General



7. Consider climate change when inviting external partners to work with the Council by explicitly including this in the specification for any procurement, commissioning of services or bursaries.

- 8. Review laptop sleep/shutdown functions in order to save energy when not in use.
- 9. Ensure we all complete Our Climate and Environment Emergency e-learning and prioritise following this with Net Zero: Getting there and my part.
- 10. Ensure 'Net Zero' is a standing item on team meetings, newsletters, forums and briefings to the wider sector.