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**NCAP's**

**Proposed Response  
to  
Climate Change**

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**Context has changed radically over last few years**

**Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change**

**versus**

**Global Climate Coalition**

*(GCC folded in 2002)*

***Few serious business leaders will now say publicly that either CC is not happening or is not worth tackling***

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**It is time to act...**

**It is acknowledged that to make it count globally that the US has to act too (attitudes are changing)**

**Until US is seen to act then China and India are unlikely to be serious about changing ... that is understandable, but critical**

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In the media we see ...



Ever increasing lumps of ice and snow slide into the Arctic and Antarctic oceans



Cute pictures of polar bears looking forlorn



Creeping deserts in Africa where life is already unimaginable for many millions

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**It is true that ...**

What we are seeing now is more about what the industrialised nations have done in the past

China and India are already set to surpass the US in emissions probably by year end (was to be 2010)

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**It is true that ...**

The UK is a relatively small player ...

You and me = 10 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year

US folks = 20 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year

Indian/Chinese = 1 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year

**BUT**

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You and me = 10 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year (x 60 million) **600 M t**

US folks = 20 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year (x 300 million) **6000 M t**

Indian/Chinese = 1 t CO<sub>2</sub>/year (x 2 billion) **a lot!**

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**There are two prime reasons why we should play our part in the UK:**



**Moral responsibility**



**Economic sense**

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**So where does NCAP stand in all this ~  
what is right but also what is reasonable?**

Stop eating meat and go and live in a cave  
isn't too practical ... BUT

There are some practical things that we  
can do ...

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1. Reduce our demand for energy
2. Increase the efficiency of the energy we use
3. Replace fossil fuels with renewable energy
4. Offset emissions from fossil fuel usage

*We need to do all these together*

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## Reduce our demand for energy

1. Walk to meetings or car share to bring other members to meetings
2. Buy our meeting refreshments locally
3. Share agendas, minutes *etc* and put the agenda on a flip chart so all can see
4. When we meet during the day, do we need the light on?

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## Reduce our demand for energy

5. Find out and publicise what the local transport company is doing about providing more buses, of the right size and when they are wanted
6. Find out and publicise what NWDC is doing, itself, are any of its activities not taking account of reducing emissions?
7. Promote local guides to help people buy locally, use allotments, compost *etc*
8. Think “energy usage” when we next hold an NCAP event

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## Increase the efficiency of the energy we use

1. Consider meeting venues based on their energy efficiency
2. Exert pressure on NWDC to publicise its energy efficiency actions for its events

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## Replace fossil fuels with renewable energy

1. Select meeting venue, where possible, if it has switched to green electricity
2. Select meeting venue, where possible, if it has solar water heating or solar electricity panels installed
3. Exert pressure on NWDC to publicise its renewable energy actions

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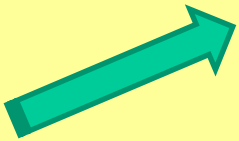


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**Offset emissions from fossil fuel usage**

## **Full Partnership Meetings**

Energy usage at venue  
Travel to meetings

## **Steering Group Meetings**

Energy usage at venue  
Travel to meetings

## **External Meetings (e.g. LSP, WFCAP, EiP *etc*)**

Raise awareness at external meetings by asking about the energy usage at venue; travel to meetings

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## THIS IS WHAT WE COULD DO



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1. None of this difficult
2. Step-by-Step
3. Just need to agree what to do, and then do it

**Climate Change is not going away  
in anyone's life time here**

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**Thank You**



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