*The climate emergency planning policy and guidance consultation will run (for 7 weeks) until Thursday 21 April 2022.

Climate change is a significant issue that requires urgent action. In response to the Climate and Biodiversity Emergencies declared by Plymouth, South Hams and West Devon Councils, SHDC are introducing a new planning policy and guidance document.

The Climate Emergency Planning Policy and Guidance document sets out exactly what all new development should do to make sure that it can adapt to the challenges of climate change. This document is for anyone submitting a planning application, whether it is for an extension to their home, new employment development or new homes.

SHDC needs your help to test these proposals. They want your views on whether they are ambitious enough, what might improve the policy and if you think these proposals will work. If you think there are better ways SHDC can address the climate emergency in new development, they want to hear from you.

Responding to the consultation is essential: there will be plenty of developers and lobbyists for the building industry responding, so this is the chance to have your say. If you want to discuss, hear some informed opinion and ideas about the proposals, or just test your ideas out, join us for this important Zoom****This single item Totnes TC Climate & Ecological Emergency Action planning meeting
will take place on
Tuesday 5th April 2022 from 6.30pm - 8pm. on Zoom
as follows:***

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81632190242?pwd=ZFlzNnZKbXJ3Wm5DdXhnczBUZkpqdz09](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=a5f1ceaa1f&e=988c77b759)
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**Agenda

1. Who is here - 20 second introductions

2. SHDC New Climate & Ecological Emergency policy and explanatory document - is out for public consultation:**[link to draft policy here](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=35380f78aa&e=988c77b759) **3. There are 90 questions inviting response in the feedback form for this consultation.  To help with collaboration and provide some peer support in responding to this consultation, a google doc has been set up to enable working together to share ideas and views on the draft policy proposals.

4. Next steps.

5. Date of Next (regular monthly) Meeting Tuesday 19th April 6.30 - 8pm

All welcome.**

Useful links:
[Sustainable South Hams](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=deccb3adf3&e=988c77b759) website & [Facebook Page](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=b7ec285920&e=988c77b759)
[Devon Climate Plan](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=4c4d027291&e=988c77b759)       [South Hams District Council Climate Plan](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=97b950e932&e=988c77b759)
[Our Place-Our Planet](https://gmail.us3.list-manage.com/track/click?u=8ec15843f67177a6fdf41ca8e&id=18588a6a5b&e=988c77b759) - website