

Climate Challenge Fund

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The purpose of Government

“to focus government and public services on creating a more successful country, with opportunities for all in Scotland to flourish, through increasing sustainable economic growth.”

**Climate
Challenge
Fund**

**Want to help
reduce carbon
emissions in
your community?**

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Guiding principles of the Climate Challenge Fund:

- Significant carbon emissions reduction as the central focus, but also bring wider environmental, social and economic benefits;
- Be community based, and has the community at the centre of decision making;
- Seek to improve quality of life - now and for future generations.

Projects involve a range of actions:

- Helping communities to use less energy,
- Walk and cycle more,
- Access local sustainable food production.

They can also have an **environmental, social** and **economic** dimension to the projects.



Support

- The Climate Challenge Fund has a dedicated administration team and a network or organisation to provide information.
- The fund is unique in this way and the layers of support are there to make sure that organisations are able to access information and advice to make their project work.



Climate Challenge Fund supporting alliance

The fund is supported by a network of interested organisations.



They provide a working network where communities and stakeholders can exchange good practice and learning.



The alliance aims to develop a shared sense of purpose amongst national stakeholder bodies in supporting the purpose and delivery of the Climate Challenge Fund.



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Exemplars Projects

- Selected as case studies.
- To act as examples for knowledge transfer.
- To offer communities an opportunity to visit them and learn from their experiences.

These exemplars illustrate what type of activities and community engagement is looked for from the Climate Challenge Fund.

Barra & Watersay Community Ltd

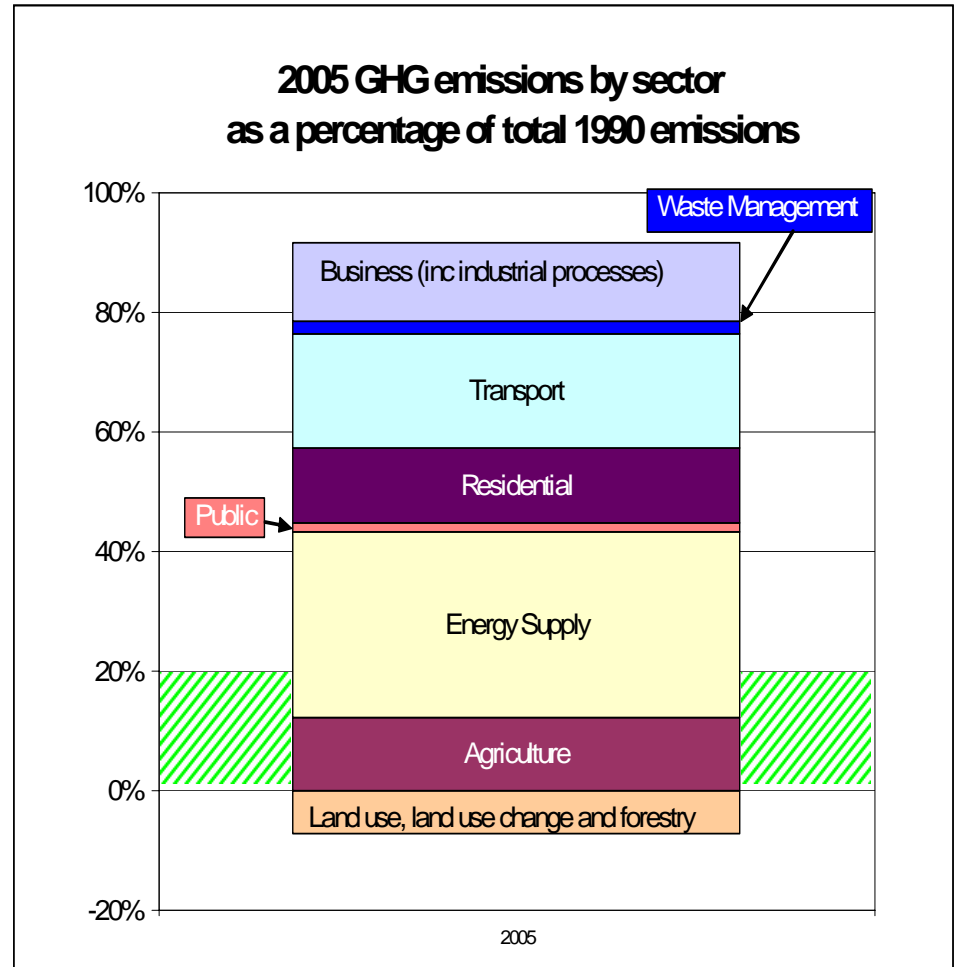


Developing an **Action Plan** to look at ways in which to deliver environmental benefits to the island.

- promoting renewable energy, potentially via wind power and ground source heat;
 - reducing carbon emissions;
 - waste management;
 - providing recycling facilities, and;
 - improving energy efficiency in homes.
- Encouraging people to grow food locally and support buying local produce. This will reduce the transportation of goods from Oban.

The challenge for all parts of Scottish life

- Emissions from all sectors will need to fall if we are to attain the 80% reduction target.
- It will be harder to reduce emissions in some sectors than others.
- Emissions from certain sectors are expected to rise, e.g. Transport.
- Scotland has a carbon 'sink' in its forests: planting additional trees will reduce net emissions.



Climate Challenge Fund

- £27.4 million 2008-11
- 32 projects supported since June
- Many more in projects will be put to panel meetings in December and March.
- Plenty of support available to help get your project developed and up to a grants panel. Alliance/Administrator & Exemplars.

Climate Challenge Fund – How to apply

- Further information:

www.infoscotland.com/climatechallengefund

- Or call Keep Scotland Beautiful:
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