

## **Submissions received:**

### **Option 1:**

#### **Mission statement**

***Abergavenny Town Council will seek to develop initiatives with and for the community to reduce the impact of climate change. We will do this in consultation with the community by adopting and delivering a strategy and action plan to enable us to work in partnership to bring about environmental improvements and sustainable solutions to reduce the impact of the climate crisis.***

- In consultation with community groups create a strategy and action plan to address the following:
- Increasing biodiversity through habitat improvements
- Promote the environmental benefits of shopping and growing locally
- Encourage more local food production and increase awareness of food miles
- Continue to develop the plans for allotments
- Encourage active travel solutions
- Provide information on schemes and grants available to community groups to enable sustainable projects to reduce, re-use or recycle waste.
- Engage with young people to promote their role in environmental custodianship
- Encourage our communities to visit the green spaces around the town and take a pride in them
- Develop, in partnership with MCC solutions to increase the number of urban trees and pollinator friendly planting
- Work with Housing Associations and Social Landlords to promote more community growing beds similar to the Incredible Edible model

### **Option 2:**

Abergavenny Town Council recognises that we have a responsibility to support, encourage and lead the community of Abergavenny in reducing our climate footprint and in building our resilience to extreme weather events and the impacts of climate change. We will do this by working in partnership, with Welsh Government, MCC, neighbouring councils, businesses authorities and community groups, and by using our influence and resources as a lever for change.

#### **Priorities;**

Work with and support initiatives to reduce food waste, promote recycling repair and re-use.

Make residents aware of their options to reduce home energy use and switch to renewables.

Support community and public buildings to reduce energy use and switch to renewables.

Take forward the provision of allotments and local food growing.

Look for opportunities to support tree planting and biodiversity.

Support and lobby for active travel, electric car charging and public transport in Abergavenny