

Carbon Neutral Roadmap

Preferred Strategy Report

Accessible Summary



The Preferred Strategy makes a series of official statements (called **Strategic Policies**) that set the ground rules for the Carbon Neutral Roadmap.

The Carbon Neutral Roadmap: Preferred Strategy

The statements are that the Roadmap must:

1. **Increase the speed of decarbonisation**, committing to the science-based plans set out in The Paris Agreement
2. Take the necessary steps to ensure Jersey can become **carbon neutral by 2030**
3. **Review** the balance between cost, security and sustainability of **Jersey's energy supplies**
4. Provide at least **£23 million** of initial **investment**, and identify new funding routes for future years
5. Ensure these funds are spent in areas that provide the **biggest reduction in carbon emissions** and the most **local benefits**

Jersey's carbon emissions have reduced by over a third since 1990. Ministers are now saying that emissions must reduce by a further third by 2030, and the final third must be reduced by 2050.

Where do most of our direct emissions come from?

- on-Island **road transport**
- fossil fuel **heating** systems
- transport to and from the Island by **ferries** and **planes**



Strategic Policies

Strategic Policy 1: Jersey's net-zero emissions pathway (summary)

The Paris Agreement was adopted by 196 Parties at the 2015 Conference of Parties. Work is underway to have **The Paris Agreement extended** to cover Jersey. Strategic Policy 1 sets a minimum emissions pathway for Jersey to:



- **reduce emissions by 68%** compared to our 1990 baseline by 2030
- and **reduce** them to **78%** by 2035
- and to deliver **net-zero emissions by 2050**
- and to stay in line with science-based global emissions reduction targets needed to **limit global warming to 1.5°C**

Strategic Policy 2: Island energy market (summary)

Strategic Policy 2 sets out how we will **decarbonise our energy supply**. Jersey currently accesses low-carbon electricity from France. At the moment, our electricity model provides affordable, low carbon, reliable and secure electricity. Government will:

- establish **new research** and **advisory partnerships** with **energy systems experts**
- explore opportunities to **trial** new and emerging **energy solutions** in Jersey

A new **Minister for energy and climate change** has been recommended to oversee an energy market review.



Strategic Policies

Strategic Policy 3: Finance strategy (summary)

Becoming net-zero is a huge **economic challenge**. The Climate Emergency Fund will be a source of income to help pay for Jersey's carbon neutral journey to net-zero. **Extra funding** will be needed to decarbonise Jersey's economy.

- The Carbon Neutral Roadmap will outline how the current funds in the **Climate Emergency Fund** will be spent.
- In 2022, Government will propose new economic instruments such as travel duty or road user charges.
- A **long-term financing strategy** to continue funding decarbonisation will be published in 2023.



Strategic Policy 4: Policy programme and development (summary)

The Carbon Neutral Roadmap will include **policies to reduce carbon** for the next term of Government (2022 – 2026). These will be informed by a wide range of work including the recommendations of the Citizens' Assembly on Climate Change.



Principle 5 of the Carbon Neutral Strategy says that carbon neutral policies must **not increase overall income inequality** on Island.

Strategic Policies

Strategic Policy 5: Becoming carbon neutral (summary)

Strategic Policy 1 explains our pathway to net-zero. The question about whether Jersey should become carbon neutral remains open.

Buying **offsets** will probably be a part of Jersey's pathway to net-zero. But, buying offsets will certainly be needed if we choose to become carbon neutral early, for example 2030. The Carbon Neutral Roadmap will:

- set out the steps to make sure ensure Jersey can be carbon neutral
- provide support for on-Island **sequestration** projects



Responding to the Citizens' Assembly on Climate Change

The Minister for the Environment responded to the **recommendations** made by **the Citizen's Assembly on Climate Change**. This response is included as an appendix in the Preferred Strategy document.

The Minister for the Environment **accepted** the majority of the recommendations and hopes to accept more once further work has been done.

The Citizens' Assembly made 14 high-level recommendations, which were responded to in the following way:



9 were **accepted**



5 will be **considered** in the Carbon Neutral Roadmap

Of the other recommendations:



47 were **accepted**



31 will be **considered** in the Carbon Neutral Roadmap



9 will be **considered** in medium-long term plans



5 were **rejected**



2 were **not for government**