



Farnsfield Parish Council Environmental Policy

Farnsfield Parish Council, (FPC), recognises its obligations with regard the environment and seeks to consider environmental issues in its decision-making process. Council action is subject to statutory powers and the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) have published a [framework](#) for Councils to act to meet climate change challenges.

The framework covers a broad range of environmental action areas and the resources available to FPC are limited. Our policy is to pursue gradual incremental improvements across all areas rather than focus resources on specific areas of special interest.

Areas suggested include:

- Emergency Planning
- Opportunities - Open Spaces, Tourism, Renewable Generation
- Planning
- Planting
- Buildings and Infrastructure
- Housing
- Waste
- Sustainable Transport
- Farming
- Funding

FPC seek to apply the DEFRA framework and make balanced decisions which consider the needs of all stakeholders within our community.

FPC will report performance against its environmental policy on an annual basis and when it is judged that it has achieved an acceptable level of performance across all action areas suggested by the DEFRA guidance it will consider the application of more stretching frameworks such as the [Friends of the Earth Framework](#) for local Councils.