

Did you know that 22% of the UK's carbon emissions come from our homes? And 75% of that is from heating them!

Help the planet and reduce your fuel bills: Check your home is fully insulated. Draught proof your home as much as you can. Control your heating by timers, smart programmers, room thermostats and thermostatic valves. These changes could reduce your home's CO2 emissions by 320kg.



Southwell Town Council is looking at its own environmental impact and appointing an auditor to assess its carbon footprint and advise on improvements. Our **Planning Committee** is keen to see all new build homes fitted with electric vehicle charge points, solar panels, ground or air source heat pumps and for more sustainable materials to be used in the build. We are dependent on both Government and District Council policy and are pressing for change.

If all 8,000 of us in Southwell make a few small changes, together we can make a difference.

- **Switching lights off when you leave the room**
- **Turn off chargers when they are not being used**
- **Only do full-machine laundry washes & opt for 30degree wash**
- **Avoid leaving laptops, consoles and TVs on standby**

We're in this together! If you've got any great ideas, please comment below or email cllrallyreynolds@southwell-tc.gov.uk