

North Yorkshire Council Election 5 May 2022

Richmondshire Climate Action Partnership Climate Change Survey

Candidate name	Party	Division
Jag Sharma	Conservative	Hipswell & Colburn

1. What do you think of the existing North Yorkshire County Council and Richmondshire District Council climate change commitments and targets?

Richmondshire has the lowest - the last figures showed that less than 40% of household wastage is recycled. There are lots of work need to be done to achieve net-zero by 2030.

2. What do you think the top climate action priorities of the new Council should be? Please mention up to three.

1. Divert waste from landfill - use it instead to generate energy. 2. Education and promote recycling and keep our streets clean by taking a tough approach to dog fouling, littering and flytipping . 3. Intall electrical vehicle charging in various carpark across council and use brownfield for housing not greenfield.

3. Which statement below best describes how you feel about action on climate change in the context of all that the new North Yorkshire Council will have to do?

1) All service design and budget decisions should help and not hinder the transition to net zero carbon emissions across North Yorkshire.

2) The impact of service delivery and budget decisions on climate change should only be considered where it does not entail excessive cost.

3) The need to keep costs to a minimum means that climate change should be a secondary consideration in making decisions on service delivery and budgets.

4. If elected, what one thing do you personally want to achieve in the Richmondshire area to tackle climate change?

People education on negative impact now and future our generation due to climate change and encourage people to at least recycling and cleaning streets. Educate people - there is no planet B so we need to protect our planet.

5. If elected, would you support a minimum commitment to convert all council owned and council contracted vehicles to Ultra Low Emissions Vehicles and Zero Emission Vehicles, and provide associated recharging and refuelling infrastructure?

Yes

6. If elected, would you support the early adoption of local plan policies and the introduction of incentives to ensure all new development and changes to existing buildings help the Richmondshire area to transition to net zero carbon emissions?

Yes

7. What more do you think the new Council could do to help local residents, businesses and visitors to reduce their waste and to recycle the waste that they cannot avoid generating?

Extra recycling boxes/bins are readily available free of charge. 2. Taking tough approach to dog fouling, littering and flytipping. 3. Install electric vehicle charging.

8. If elected, what changes do you believe are needed over the next 5 years to the use and management of our rural landscape to best address climate change?

Need a lot more renewable energy - install solar panel, wind turbine. I advocate and support installing new insulation and stopping heat from leaking away and growing vegetable and food, encourage to buy and use local farmer for local consumer.

9. And finally, in a single sentence, what would you like local people to know about your stance and commitment to taking action on climate change?

Keen to promote recycling in the area, building a greener, better planet through reduced waste should be council priority. I encourage all councillors all get behind to achieve council net-zero by 2030.