CARE OF CREATION



Practical Programme

Short Term - within 12 months

Raise awareness of all energy saving measures both - individual and community.

- Switch lighting to LED fitments and bulbs
- Turn down heating thermostat a few degrees and reduce time used.
- Fit short term draught proofing measures to doors and windows and any other draughty areas.
- Fit smart meters to energy source and monitor regularly to enable reducing usage.

Switch current energy suppliers to green energy suppliers. Start considering where renewable energy installations can be installed.

Look into all other measures to reduce energy usage such as insulation, replacement windows etc.

Medium Term - within 30 months

Install a pilot heating replacement project to renewable energy system and monitor all aspects of the installation and subsequently the efficiency of the installation.

Investigate the possibility of solar panel installation and obtain estimates.

Survey all buildings to establish what can be done to install renewable energy sources and reduce energy usage and prioritise the outcome.

Consult the various agencies who will assist with determining the best installation types to obtain grant funding e.t.c. and start working up projects ready for installation.

Fit insulation where easily installed - loft insulation etc.

Obtain quotations for window replacements etc.

Long Term - within 60 months

- Replace all energy supplies to heating systems with renewable energy installations.
- Fit solar panels (if appropriate)
- Fit replacement windows (and possibly doors) with those of better thermal efficiency.
- Look into possibility of more advanced insulation installations and obtain estimates;
 - underfloor insulation
 - external wall cladding
 - replace roof covering with improved insulation

Keep informed

Keep informed about issues both for yourself and your community:



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