

Motion

Adopting the UN Sustainable Development/Global Goals

The Borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme Council values the importance of the UN's 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that address the global challenges we face including poverty, inequality, climate, environmental degradation and prosperity.

The Council recognises that we have a decade of action if we are to deliver the Goals by 2030.

The Council believes that all levels of government work together and that local government is a key component to successful domestic implementation of the SDGs.

Council notes that in 2019 the cross-party Local Government Association unanimously adopted a motion recognising the vital role that councils could play in planning, implementation and monitoring the UK's progress on meeting the ambitions of the Agenda 2030.

The Borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme Council will lobby central government for them to recognise the vital role local government must play in terms of the planning, implementation and monitoring in local areas, and fully resource councils to do that work, to deliver the UK's progress on meeting the ambitions of the 2030 Agenda.

Recognising that we will only be able to achieve the Goals by working with local partners, The Council recommit to engaging our areas through local partnerships and with our citizens to share research and engagement with our networks, partners and citizens, particularly given our sector's continuing funding pressures.

That this Council believes it is right to formalise our commitment to the Goals and therefore adopts the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), agreeing to pursue the Goals in the work undertaken by the Council.

That this council resolves to begin work by mapping which targets are relevant using the LGA and UKSSD Sustainable Development Guide