

Dave Roberts is quite right that any cooling effect from wind and solar power installations will be minimal, but their impact on reducing fossil fuel electricity generation is huge. Wind and solar make a massive contribution to reducing CO2 emissions - one of the worst greenhouse gases. We need more wind and solar generation if we are to avoid Catastrophic Climate Change. We still need to stop using coal and gas to generate electricity, and not allow fracking anywhere in the UK.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change reported this week on the radical changes we need to make to avoid reaching the 1.5 degree of warming agreed in Paris in 2015.

This will mean changes to all our lives. There are things we can do as individuals, use the car less, use less single use plastic, turn out the lights when we leave a room, which will all help. But some of these individual efforts will only have a real impact when national and local governments take action as well.

A regular, efficient and integrated electric public transport system is required to enable us to be less reliant on cars - action from the UK Government and North Lincs Council please. NLC needs to stop destroying our Market Towns by granting permission for out of town shops, forcing us to drive to do our shopping.

We need national legislation to ban the use of non recyclable plastic in the goods we buy. NLC need to get their act together to provide better reuse and recycling initiatives especially for those living in flats who have difficulty storing their bins.

Many of us are already taking these simple steps and more to reduce our carbon footprint, but it is time the UK Government and North Lincs Council caught up.

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