

## Environmental Information Regulations Request No. 6148

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### Request/Response

1. Has your council declared a climate emergency and produced an action plan/strategy or policy that covers carbon sequestration and offsetting? If yes, please attached a copy of the policy/strategy or provide a link to the online copy.

On 16th September 2019 Full Council passed a motion declaring a 'Climate Emergency' and made a carbon neutrality commitment for Rother District with a target date of 2030.

Document link: <https://www.rother.gov.uk/strategies-policies-and-plans/environment-strategy/>

2. Have you, within your existing or planned strategies/policies, considered carbon sequestration and offsetting? If yes, please outline those plans not included in question 1 or attach a copy or link to an online copy.

Carbon sequestration – as part of an i-tree study and a tree planting strategy project. Inception phase, no documents available yet. Link:

<https://www.rother.gov.uk/news/tree-hour-webinar/>

Offsetting - Not yet.

3. What forms of carbon sequestration have you considered, and which have you excluded? What was the basis of that decision?

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4. How have you or do you plan to quantify the extent of carbon sequestration required to offset your carbon emissions within the council? Please provide any figures and equations you have used. What was the basis for using those figures/equations?

Plan to.

Using BEIS data.

Reference <https://ghgprotocol.org/>

5. Do you as a council or your contractors use any of the offsetting schemes ie Woodland Trust to offset your carbon emissions? If yes, please list those used.

Not aware of any used.