

# SUSTAINABLE DOLLAR

Community Survey 2021

IN JANUARY 2021 WE ASKED YOU WHAT YOU THOUGHT ABOUT OUR 'SUSTAINABLE DOLLAR' PLANS  
157 PEOPLE RESPONDED, READ ON TO FIND OUT WHAT YOU TOLD US AND WHAT WE'RE DOING AS A RESULT...

✓    **97%**  
✓    **AGREED**

...that 'supporting the community to reduce its carbon footprint and protect and enhance the local environment' should be a priority for the Trust

**REDUCING WASTE WAS CONSIDERED THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE**

**FOLLOWED BY....**

**2. INCREASING ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ADOPTING RENEWABLE TECHNOLOGIES**

**3. INCREASING COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

**4. ADOPTING GREENER, MORE ACTIVE MODES OF TRAVEL**

**5. IMPROVING THE BIODIVERSITY OF DOLLAR**

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**YOUR IDEAS....** More sustainable eating choices  
Encourage people to stay local  
Community spaces that encourage Environmental Awareness  
Regular farmers markets Community sharing  
Focus on our children and young people Work with local businesses to encourage them to get involved and do their bit  
Reduce the amount of local short journeys done by car  
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## YOU TOLD US...

The reasons you don't recycle more are:

- ✗ Lack of awareness of what to do with the things that can't go in the blue bin
- ✗ A lot of plastic food wrapping can't be recycled
- ✗ Lack of facilities to recycle things that used to be taken away by the council

## WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP

It's not only about recycling, it's also about reducing the waste you produce, so we are doing the following to help you:

- ✓ Developing a local reuse and recycle guide providing lots of local information on where you can recycle and reuse your unwanted household items
- ✓ Providing info and guidance on our website about the local and national organisations and businesses that are helping you reduce waste (food, plastics, clothes, electrical goods etc).
- ✓ Developing a local TerraCycle link - for items such as crisp packets that can't go in the normal recycling
- ✓ Looking into using the Hive for more activities e.g. educational workshops, monthly Repair Cafe, upcycling workshops, and a tool & toy library.

## YOU TOLD US...

The reasons you aren't more energy efficient are:

- ✗ It costs too much to make changes
- ✗ Lack of awareness about what to do - 20% said you don't know where to start.
- ✗ House is too old to make any significant changes
- ✗ Laziness and/or lack of motivation

## WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP

- ✓ Providing information on our website about how you can access grants to make changes to your home
- ✓ Running community workshops giving you information about why it's important to be more energy efficient and how it benefits you in the long-term
- ✓ Using the Hive to showcase the different ways you can make your property more energy efficient and highlighting the impact it has e.g. reducing bills

## YOU TOLD US...

30% of you don't walk, cycle or use public transport as much as you would like to, because:

- ✗ Lack of time
- ✗ Poor public transport links
- ✗ Safety and lack of secure facilities e.g. bike racks
- ✗ The weather

## WHAT WE'RE DOING TO HELP

- ✓ Working with Dollar Community Council to ensure there are bike racks on the main street in Dollar
- ✓ Aiming to get lighting installed along the Devon Way and working closely with the Clackmannanshire Council on their Active Travel plans
- ☹️ Sadly, we can't do anything about the weather...!

## TIME TO TAKE ACTION!

Take action by educating yourself and urging friends & family to get involved in addressing environmental issues

*Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something*



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR SUSTAINABLE DOLLAR WORK - PLEASE GET IN TOUCH

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