

Creating the UK's Environment Capital



Peterborough's Manifesto

Since being recognised as an Environment City in 1993, Peterborough has maximised its environmental credentials and is committed to Creating the UK's Environment Capital.

For Peterborough, becoming The Environment Capital will create a city which encourages and supports its people in making significant and real improvements to their quality of life. Through this we will deliver truly sustainable growth for the city, ensuring a cleaner, greener, healthier and more vibrant Peterborough for the future.

Success in Creating the UK's Environment Capital will be directly related to the support and actions of every citizen, business and organisations in the city. The greater the support the sooner we will reach our goal.

This manifesto sets out our environmental aspirations for Peterborough over the coming years. It is supported by a set of challenging targets and action plans, which will ensure that achieving the Environment Capital status enhances Peterborough's local, national and international environmental reputation and becomes a tangible and evidenced reality.

Conserving Natural Resources

We will:

Reduce water consumption in homes and businesses across the city

Increase recycling and recovery rates whilst reducing waste at source

Establish a network of sustainable energy and transport facilities and increase the provision of renewable energy to new and existing buildings

Cut energy consumption in homes and business through energy efficiency measures and excellent building standards

Environmental Goods and Services

We will:

Support and encourage environmental goods and services businesses and organisations to grow and thrive in the city

Cleaner and Greener

We will:

Improve the city's green infrastructure for the benefit of people and wildlife, including parks, gardens, energy and water

Improve the quality of local public spaces, to create places for people

Improve the city's wildlife habitats

Improve access to natural green spaces

Sustainable Transport

We will:

Make the city more accessible for people by enabling and encouraging walking, cycling, public transport and car sharing leading to a sustained behaviour change

Provide practical solutions to sustainable transport challenges through the use of technology, innovation and good practice