Cornwood Parish Council Emergency Statement.

Devon County Council have made a commitment to reduce their carbon emissions to net-zero by 2030. Cornwood Parish Council supports this commitment and will work with DALC (Devon Association of Local Councils) and appropriate government departments to assess the Parish's carbon footprint and identify and incentivise a programme compatible with UK to achieve sustainability across the community.

Carbon Emissions and reductions: To make cycling and walking the natural choice for shorter journeys. To support electric bike and car technology. Solar charging points. Maintain, and where possible, lobby to improve public transport, local ring-and-ride services and develop community transport options.

Mental Health: Encourage community involvement in village activities, groups and clubs. Support the FareShare food scheme/food bank. Have a support network to help with all links to mental health and other public services. Councillor representative to the 4 Rivers Dementia Alliance.

Environment & renewable energy: Reduce the reliance of fossil fuels and cut carbon emissions. Provide help in reducing the carbon footprint of the community. Use water butts for the council garden and community tree nursery. Councillor support of the Lee Moor Wind Turbine Farm. Support our citizen scientists for water quality testing of the River Piall and River Yealm. Councillor representative to the Yealm Estuary to Moor project and the River Yealm Water Quality Group.

Education: Work with the local primary school and their mini tree nursey. Encourage and sign up to organisations that support and monitor wildlife. Woodland Trust, Devon Wildlife Trust and the Dartmoor National Park.

Housing: When making planning decisions, consider the carbon neutral target and the Government's target of reducing fossil fuels for heating.

Agricultural Best practise: Support Devon County Council's agroecology (the science of managing farms as eco systems) initiative and the UK's Environmental Land Management Scheme with updates on trials and grants available via the website and the FaceBook page.

Recycling: Develop options to increase diversion of waste from landfill. Better awareness of compostable materials. Support the school textile drive. Broken garden tools to HMP Dartmoor via Otter Nurseries.

To facilitate the above, the parish council agrees to put **Climate Emergency & Biodiversity** on the agenda to regularly review progress and consider acting on recommendations.

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