Climate Jobs Summary: 'North Yorkshire CC'

This document summarises jobs estimates for North Yorkshire CC from Green House Think Tank's Climate Jobs Project modelling (v2019a) done on behalf of the Green European Foundation. This work can be found at greenhousethinktank.org/climate-jobs/. The modelling was done for each NUTS (Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics) 2016 level 3 area in the UK using Eurostat and the UK Office of National Statistics (ONS) data and published job metrics. The most recently published statistics are taken where possible but due to gaps and time lag in what statistics authorities publish, the data use to represent now (2019) may be a few years older. All jobs estimates are in full time equivalents and negative numbers indicate jobs lost.

NUTS regions are a hierarchical geographic code system created by the EU for the consistent collection and collation of statistics across Europe. The first two letters signify the country, the next the NUTS1 region, and the last two numbers of the NUTS 2 & 3 regions respectively. The NUTS 3 areas are generally smaller than English Counties but bigger than districts, NUTS 2 areas generally cover large cities or a few counties and NUTS 1 represent regions.

The table below summaries background statistics for the North Yorkshire CC area. The breakdown of the modelling results by sector, which add up to these jobs totals, is shown below. The full explanation of the transition proposed, the methodology used and references are in 'Unlocking the Job Potential of Zero Carbon', published in December 2018¹.

	Population / Pop per Hectare			Total N	let Jobs
NUTS Code	2019	2030	hectares	Transition	Long Term
UKE22	605,000 / 0.8	622,000 / 0.8	805,000	7,070	3,240

2030 has been taken as the date when greenhouse gas emissions need to be reduced to net zero (at the latest). Setting such a target is consistent with the UK using no more than its fair share of the global carbon budget and limiting the risk of exceeding a global warming to 1.5°C. This end date is also consistent with Zero Carbon Sooner paper published by Tim Jackson² and most climate emergency declarations by local council areas across the UK.

Reuse & Recycling

The table below shows how many jobs are created and lost due to an increase in the recycling rate for three waste categories. The modelling uses recycling as a proxy for the reuse, repair and deconstruction jobs which will need to be created over the transition. The latter are likely to be more labour intensive and less energy intensive than recycling, so creating more jobs than estimated.

	Recycling Rate		Additional Ionnes		
Category	2019	2030	Recycled	New Jobs	Jobs lost ^a
Municipal solid waste	40%	90%	257,000	378	-82
Commercial and industrial	40%	90%	215,000	158	-34
Construction and demolition	40%	90%	1,120,000	547	-118

^a Landfill and incineration jobs are lost as waste disposal reduces (alongside the creation of new reuse and recycling jobs).

¹ Download at: gef.eu/publication/unlocking-the-potential-of-zero-carbon/

² www.cusp.ac.uk/themes/aetw/zero-carbon-sooner/

Transport

The transport modelling applies the modal shifts set out in Zero Carbon Britain, Rethinking the Future report (Centre for Alternative Technology, 2013) at a sub-regional level (40 NUTS2 areas for the UK). This is then scaled according to population to provide jobs estimates for NUTS3 areas.

	Modal S	Shift	Existing Modal Split		p-km/v-km ^a		Total Net Jobs	
Transport Type	v-km/y ^b	p-km ^c change	%	p-km /p/y ^d	2019	2030	Transition	Long Term
Maintenance								
private								
non-electric								
vehicles	-3.74 b	-99%	91%	10,600		1.7	-854	-1,710
Maintenance				10,000	1.6			
private electric					1.0			
vehicles	1.99 b	59%	0%			1.7	332	664
Bus Drivers	24.0 m	448%	2%	289	9.0	10.0	455	910
Bus Maintenance	24.0 111	44070	2/0	209	9.0	10.0	119	239
Railways								
Operation and								
Maintenance	1.79 m	145%	6%	713	126.8	130.0	371	742

^a Average occupancy per vehicle

These estimates only include some of the changes to shift to zero carbon transport. Changes to freight and increased jobs associated with walking and cycling are not modelled and would also indirectly support other local job creation and retention (e.g. local shops and community facilities).

Building Retrofit

The modelling assumes a street by street retrofit programme focused on the areas with the worst energy performance. The table below summaries the jobs created from retrofit of the proposed percentages of total dwellings for four different categories of retrofit.

	Dwellings to retrofit		Total Net Jobs	
Retrofit Type		Number	Transition	Long Term
Energy Efficiency Improvements		204,000	1,840	
Solar Thermal		204,000	962	642
Solar PV		54,500	502	042
Ground Source Heat Pumps (GSHP)	13%	35,400	990	

There will also be jobs required to improve the energy efficiency of public sector, commercial and industrial and community buildings, but these have not been modelled.

^b v-km/y = vehicle kilometres per year, b = billions, m = millions

^c p-km = passenger kilometres

^d p-km/p/y = passenger kilometres per person per year

Land & Food

The modelling assumes that food is produced as close to where it is consumed as possible, particularly the most employment intensive activities (e.g. fruit and vegetable production). This will increase local resilience whilst reducing transport emissions and packaging requirements. The modelling also aims to remove the fossil fuel dependance of agriculture, in part by removing reliance on artificial fertiliser and pesticides. Together this is modelled as a shift to more mixed farming practices and a more organic/permaculture/agroecological based approach. The table below show how this would change agricultural land use³.

	Hectares:	Current	Needed ^a	Surplus ^b	Allocated ^c
	Cereal Crops ^d		31,000	68,100	145,000
	Potatoes		4,120		19,200
	Sugar		969		4,530
	Fruit & Veg	298,000	N/A e		1,030 ^f
	Natural Fibres		1,040		4,850
	Energy Crops		4,760		22,300
	Green Manure		10,400		69,900
	Pasture as part of Rotation		66,100		156,000
	Dairy Cows	224,000			90,900
Permanent Pasture	Beef Cattle	224,000			24,500
	Orchards & Vineyards ^g	0.00	1,030	0.00	25.7
Fruit Trees & Vineyards		0.00			
Complex Cultivation	Fruit & Vegetables	221			1,030
Irrigated Farmland		0.00			

^a for local sufficiency

The table below shows proposed changes in non-agricultural land use in order to meet non-food objectives including renewable energy generation, timber, enhancing of biodiversity and reducing release of/sequestering greenhouse gases.

	Moorland, Grass or	Existing	Landfill + Mining			Urban Green	Peat	Other
(all	Shrub	Forest	Sites	Industrial	Urban	Spaces	Bogs	Natural ^a
hectares)								
Current	112,000 ^b	43,100	2,380	2,020	13,900	187	95,900	401
Proposed	56,200 ^c	43,100 ^d	954			е	All to be	
Forest							restored	
Solar PV			954	202 ^f	277 ^g			

^a Bare rocks [D], Beaches dunes sands [E], Inland marshes [S], Salt marshes [AH], Intertidal flats [T], Glaciers and perpetual snow

^b for local sufficiency

^c For national sufficiency, assuming the local surpluses are distributed to nearby areas with land deficits

 $[^]d$ Including Animal Feed

^e See Fruit & Veg rows below

 $^{^{\}it f}$ Adding arable hectare allocated to Fruit and Veg on top of those below.

g Which could be grazed

^b Currently Mostly Rough Grazing for sheep

 $^{^{\}it c}$ or prehaps re-wilded in other ways

 $^{^{}d}$ Returned to active management for timber

^e It is proposed that there is a significant increase in urban horticulture and greenery in general. Some of this maybe in existing 'green' areas but much would be on walls, roofs, carparks etc.

^f Assumed to be warehouse roof space

 $^{{}^{\}it g}$ Assumed to be Public/Community/Commercial Building roof space

³ This modelling is based on national land use statistics and does not take into account the specifics of land in any local area or other local consideration. Further local analysis would be needed to assess the suitability of such shifts.

This shift towards more locally complex, mixed and diverse agriculture combined with better, active management of forestry and other land (e.g. hedges) will result in an increase in employment. The table below summaries the labour intensity change modelled in this sector. It is however felt, that this significantly underestimates job creation potential as ONS statistics for current farm jobs include non agricultural jobs (e.g. on farm processing, farm shops, local milk deliveries, grass/hedge cutting etc) that have not been modelled.

Current Jobs	Proposed Jobs	Change
9,300	9,860	275

Renewable Energy

The table below outlines the proposed amount of different renewable energy technologies to be installed to transition to a zero carbon energy supply. This is based on the reduced demand for energy modelled in all sectors above and increased demand for electricity, mainly due to electrification in the transport and buildings sectors. It does not include PV panels on dwellings which are covered above. Energy storage and demand management jobs have not been estimated. Jobs in offshore renewables are not included in the total for specific areas, but are included in national totals.

	Capacity installed	Load Factor	Total N	let Jobs
Generation Type	MW ^a	%	Transition	Long Term
Existing Energy Jobs	N/A	N/A	-213	-426
Offshore Wind	-	43%	_b	-
Onshore Wind	1,370	29%	1,570	452
Tidal	-	24%	-	-
River run Hydro	42.3	30%	215	56
PV Farm	895	9%	160	-
Geothermal	-	96%	-	-
Electric Grid Upgrade	N/A	-	43	2

^a MW = Mega Watt

Other Jobs

The above jobs estimates indicate the scale of effort in different sectors required locally to transition to zero carbon in North Yorkshire CC. This will increase the vibrancy of the local economy. This transition will also require changes to:

- Manufacturing different things in different ways (e.g. more electric vehicles, renewable technologies, local food processing and sustainable construction products, more reuse and use of recycled materials);
- Additional jobs to protect the most vulnerable, ensure these changes increase equality and strengthen community resilience (including adapting to climate impacts, such as increased flood risks); and
- Additional work to train and upskill the workforce across the UK, including providing support to ensure that these jobs are open to all (including those with disabilities). This has been estimated as 584 jobs during the transition and 268 long term jobs in North Yorkshire CC.

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^b Only in National Summary