

## POLICY AND NEED

Planning Legislation attached to AONB'S clearly state that development should be limited unless there is an overarching need and other considerations have been exhausted- see Maurici Opinions p73-75 (1)

It is my opinion that alternatives to cutting carbon and reaching net zero have NOT been properly exhausted although the two I am going to mention are quoted in national and local Climate Emergency strategies.

## RETROFITTING

As early as 2014 the Technology Strategy Board assisted BEIS to publish a Guide to Making Retrofit Work (2)

Then again in 2017 we have Retrofitting British Homes to Make them more Energy Efficient. And less than a month ago we have Claire Tracey, Chief Strategy and Sustainability Officer of the Nationwide Building Society saying

“Making our 29 million homes Greener is one of the most pressing issues of our time: buildings are the second largest source of Carbon emissions in the UK. Nationwide is committed to sustainable housing, and we are working on this with the housing, energy and construction industries on behalf of our members but we need the Government support too.”

## REFERENCES

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2. Retrofit for the Future: a guide to making retrofit work. Available on Gov website as a PDF.
3. Scotland Climate Exchange. Retrofitting British Homes to make them More Energy Efficient. BLOG

## COMMUNITY ENERGY.

IN East Suffolk only 2 Parish Councils have Community Energy initiatives. One is Kelsale cum Carlton and another Walpole. East Suffolk Council should be encouraging every Parish to set up its own initiatives. Community Energy can bring untold benefits and financial rewards to Communities and the Local Energy Bill running its way through Parliament if enshrined in law and adopted nationally could eliminate the need for one Nuclear Power Station.

Retrofitting and Community Energy Projects can be initiated now.

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