



**SHETLAND  
CLIMATE  
FESTIVAL  
2023**

**9/10 JUNE - CLICKIMIN BOWLS HALL**

**EVENT PROGRAM**

# About

Shetland Climate Festival 2023 is about celebrating the positive work being done in Shetland to adapt to and mitigate climate change. This work cannot be undertaken solely by one individual or one organisation. The event aims to give the Shetland public the chance to speak with our exhibitors and Council teams about their work relating to climate change, energy usage and biodiversity across Shetland.

We, the SIC Climate Change Programme teams, wish to put our work in context of the wider picture, so we have invited renewable energy companies, local food producers and industry leads, conservation organisations, and local community groups.

As well as local industry and organisations, we will be hosting several key individuals including Tessa Khan, a successful environmental lawyer, campaigner and Executive Director at Uplift, and, Nigel Jollands and Veronica Lysaght of the Novara One World Project who will be giving tours of their Arctic ice breaker yacht Novara.

We are collaborating with Taste of Shetland who will be promoting and preparing locally produced food and drink during the day.

Alongside the main exhibition, there will be an agenda of workshops held in the adjacent room geared towards informing, involving, and empowering the community in Climate Change topics.

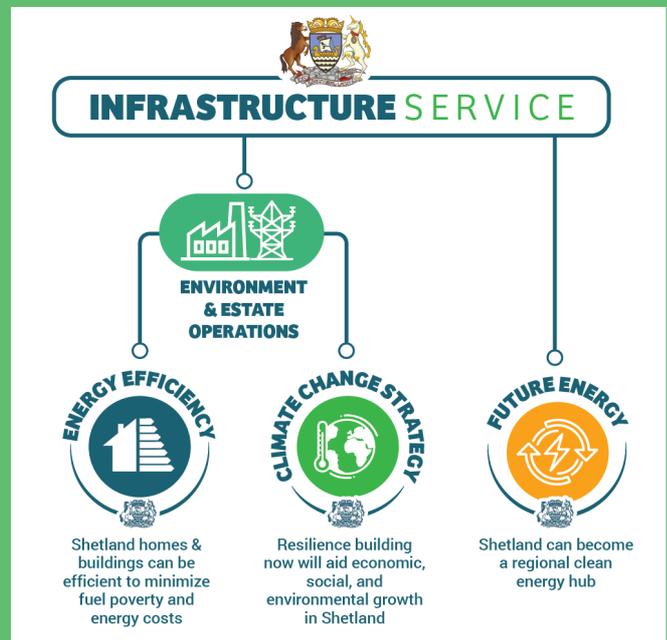


## Shetland Islands Council Climate Change Programme

In January 2020, the Council recognised the global climate emergency with a new strategic programme.

### Purpose

- Overview of the strategy, governance arrangements, target development and action planning required to adapt to, and mitigate, climate change in Shetland
- Contribute to an effective Scotland, UK and international response
- Inform the identification of issues and options
- Assist in evidence based planning and decision making so that environmental, economic and social needs are recognised, balanced and met



# What's On?

## Throughout the event:

The main exhibition, held in the Bowls Hall at Clickimin, will be laid out in themed sections which follow the sectors used in the Net Zero Route Maps – buildings, land use and agriculture, business and industry, transport, energy, and resource use.

Young people and schools have also been invited to engage by responding to a series of climate-related prompts which pupils and their teachers can respond to, and their resulting models, posters or artworks will be displayed at the exhibition's entrance.

## Friday

- Exhibition Hall opening times: 2:30-6:00pm
- A **panel session** will be held in the Bowler Bar from 3:30-5:30pm

## Saturday

- Exhibition Hall opening times: 10:00am - 6:00pm
- **Kidz Zone** hosted by Skills Development Scotland & Developing the Young Workforce open from 10:00am-6:00pm
- **Workshops** will be held in the Bowler Bar from 10:00am - 6:00pm
- The **Taste of Shetland Food Trailer** will be serving samples of local fare from 11:00 am - 4:00 pm (or until food runs out)
- Sign up at the festival to tour the **Novara Artic Icebreaker** research ship that same afternoon



# Our Exhibitors

Join us in the Bowl's Hall for an exhibition that showcases the work that our departments and a variety of organisations are doing to address the challenges that arise from climate change.








**Resource Use**








**Climate Action**










**Energy**








**Nature-based**













**Industry**

# Friday Agenda

**9 June 2023**

Clickimin Leisure Centre

Bowler Bar

**15:30-16:00**

## **Climate Change Challenge in Shetland**

**Session by: SIC Climate Change Team**

This introductory presentation to the panel session will give an overview of Shetland's baseline emissions and preview the next steps for the Council's Climate Change Programme Teams.

**16:00-17:30**

## **Panel Session - Just Transition**

What does Just Transition mean for Shetland? Our panelists, who are from a range of sectors, backgrounds, and expertise, will share their knowledge about just transition and Shetland's pathway forward.

**Panelists:**

Daniel Gear - VOAR Energy

Emma Perring - Shetland Islands Council

Jim McConnachie - NHS Shetland

John Uttley - Nature Scot

Mhari McLeman - Highlands & Islands Enterprise

Rosemary Harris - Platform London



# Saturday Agenda

**10 June 2023**

Clickimin Leisure Centre

Bowler Bar

10:00-11:00

## Grow Shetland Workshop

**Session by: Transition Turriefield**

Learn how Transition Turriefield grows healthy food with a low carbon footprint in Shetland's difficult climate, and get some tips on how you could do the same at home.

11:00-12:00

## Next steps for a Climate Safe Shetland

**Session by: Novara One Planet**

Novara One Planet partners with coastal communities to support initiatives on climate change adaptation. Veronica and Nigel have sailed to Lerwick in their high-latitude expedition yacht, Novara and will facilitate this workshop. Find out more about Novara [here](#).

12:00-13:00

## Wind Energy From Start to Finish

**Session by: Shetland Aerogenerators & SSE Renewables**

This session takes wind energy back to basics with Shetland Aerogenerators explaining how the technology works and fits in Shetland. SSE Renewables will add to this by talking about circular economy and the end of life options for turbines.

13:00-14:00

## How can I help Nature?

**Session by: The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds**

Have you wondered what you can do to help nature? Do you feel like you have something to give but are not sure where to begin? Join RSPB Shetland's workshop to learn how to use your strengths to help conserve biodiversity despite the impacts of climate change

14:00-15:00

## Our Climate, Our Future – How we can protect people and planet

**Session by: Uplift**

This workshop will discuss the scale of the climate challenge, the harm being caused by fossil fuels including to our oceans, and how to get involved in calling for climate action and a just transition. It will include a hands-on creative activity for those who want to get involved in climate action on Saturday. Find out more about Uplift [here](#).

15:00-16:00

## An Introduction to Climate Science

**Session by: Shetland Islands Council Carbon Literacy Trainer**

This session has been designed to give every attendee a better understanding of the science behind climate change, and to detangle the many different threads and themes that appear in climate discussions.



16:00-17:00

## Partnerships for Decarbonising Shetland

### Session about: Carbon Neutral Islands & Pathfinder Places

Partners from both of these will talk about projects, progress, and future. The Carbon Neutral Islands Yell highlights the importance of community led action in carbon reduction. The Pathfinder Places is a feasibility study looking into a creating a network of rural energy and transport hubs.

17:00-18:00

## Carbon Auditing – Where the Journey to Net Zero Begins

### Session by: SAC Consulting

What is Carbon Auditing and how can it help your business or organisation get to net zero? SAC Consulting will give a practical example illustrating how their own carbon auditing tool, Agrecalc, can support agricultural, food and land-based businesses on the journey.

# Our Speakers



**ALL THAT AND MORE!**

**Saturday**

### **TASTE OF SHETLAND & LOCAL FOOD**

WE ARE PARTNERING WITH TASTE OF SHETLAND TO GIVE SAMPLES OF LOCALLY PRODUCED FOODS! MICHAEL TAYLOR FROM TAYLOR MADE WILL BE WHIPPING UP SOME RECIPES TO INCORPORATE FOOD ITEMS FROM A WIDE RANGE OF SHETLAND FARMERS, FISHERS, AND GROWERS. BUYING LOCAL REDUCES FOOD MILES AND PROMOTES RESILIENCE FOR OUR REMOTE ISLANDS.



**LOVE TO RIDE**



### **LOVE TO RIDE & ACTIVE TRAVEL**

BIKE ALONG TO THE CLICKIMIN FOR THE FESTIVAL! LOG YOUR RIDE ON [WWW.LOVETORIDE.NET/SHETLAND](http://WWW.LOVETORIDE.NET/SHETLAND) AND RECEIVE FREE LOVE TO RIDE MERCHANDISE! WE HAVE T-SHIRTS, LIGHTS, BUFFS, BADGES AND MORE... HAPPY CYCLING!

### **KIDZ ZONE**

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT SCOTLAND & DEVELOPING THE YOUNG WORKFORCE ARE HOSTING A KIDS AREA IN THE SQUASH COURTS WITH LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE. ACTIVITIES ARE FOR ALL AGES!



### **NOVARA YACHT TOURS**

THE NOVARA TEAM ARE HOSTING TOURS OF THEIR BOAT AND A CHANCE TO TALK MORE ABOUT CLIMATE ADAPTATION FOR ISLAND COMMUNITIES. COME BY THE FESTIVAL ON SATURDAY TO SIGN UP FOR SAME DAY TOUR TIMES SLOTS!





# **SHETLAND CLIMATE FESTIVAL**

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