

LEGAL OBLIGATIONS

The 'climate change duties' were created by the Climate Change Act 2021.

The climate change duties mean that public bodies in the Isle of Man are all working towards the same goal and supporting the same principles.

The duties are a legal obligation for public bodies to support the principles below, in the course of performing their normal duties.

Helping the Island achieve its statutory climate goals:

- net zero greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 2050
- 35% emissions reduction by 2030
- 45% emissions reduction by 2035

Supporting the just transition and climate justice principles

Supporting sustainable development including the UN Sustainable Goals

Protecting and enhancing biodiversity, ecosystems and ecosystem services

These parts of duties help to guide how we go about reducing emissions in a way that maximises benefit.

Collectively we call these principles

FAIR CHANGE

For detailed information about the requirements for different sizes of public bodies and all of the topics covered in these info sheets please see the 'Climate Change Duties - Guidance for Public Bodies'

Public bodies are listed in Schedule 1 to the Freedom of Information Act 2015 and include government departments, statutory boards, local authorities and others.

Compliance with the duties will be assessed by annual reporting, due to commence in 2023 (for the period 1 April 2022 – 31 March 2023).