

## **BARNINGHAM ENERGY PROJECT: LIVE PRESENTATION**

There will be a public ZOOM presentation of the provisional renewable electricity generation scheme, with a question and answer session, on:

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 7:30-8:30pm**

To join, visit our news page at [www.barninghamnetzero.com](http://www.barninghamnetzero.com) or our Barningham Net Zero CIC Facebook page. Both provide the meeting link.

This is a great opportunity to learn more about these exciting proposals for community energy and to give your feedback to the project team.

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## **DISCOVER THE FACTS OF LIFE....**

Four more Energy Factsheets have been produced:

No. 6 - Government schemes to help to keep you warm

No. 7 - Homes with an elderly relative

No. 8 - Utilities' Priority Services Membership

No. 9 - Getting the most out of your boiler and central heating

We are distributing all of these to every household, as the information will be widely useful. Feel free to pass on to a relative or friend!

To download additional free copies of these or Factsheets Nos. 1-5, visit [www.barninghamnetzero.com](http://www.barninghamnetzero.com) - Energy Fact Sheets. Should you prefer a printed copy, pick one up from the bus shelter or phone Steve on 621257 and he will supply you.

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## **NO NEW YEAR PLANTING YET**

All tree and hedge planting has been on hold since Christmas due to Covid restrictions and frozen ground. We hope to resume activities in social bubbles or small socially distanced groups soon.

## GOVERNMENT SCHEME DELAYS

Roll out of the government's flagship Green Home Grant scheme has been shambolic according to renewable energy businesses. Many home owners have been waiting months for vouchers to be issued and some tradesmen are struggling to stay in business as they haven't been paid for work completed. The government has already announced an extension to March 2022 because of delays but a further extension may be needed to enable full take up of the fund.

If you are waiting for a voucher or hoping to apply for one, do keep trying! A letter to your MP might be in order as well...

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## ELECTRIFYING NEWS

In 2020, Norway became the first country in the world where the sale of electric cars has overtaken those powered by petrol, diesel and hybrid engines, with the German carmaker Volkswagen replacing Tesla as the top battery-vehicle producer.

Battery electric vehicles made up 54.3% of all new cars sold in the Nordic country in 2020, a global record, up from 42.4% in 2019 and from a mere 1% of the overall market a decade ago, the Norwegian Road Federation has reported.

It's all going to happen here in the UK, possibly sooner than we think. In 2020, electric cars made up 6.6% of new car sales – an increase of 186% over 2019 and bucking the overall decrease in sales of petrol and diesel vehicles. The team at Barningham Net Zero are examining options for electric vehicle charging facilities in Barningham for those without access to private parking. Watch this space!

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