

COP26: what went on in Northumberland

Friday 8 to Wednesday 13 October: [Young Christian Climate Network Pilgrimage to COP26](#)

Walkers have set out from Carbis bay, Cornwall, walking in relay up to Glasgow for COP26. They carry with them a boat representing hope that we will all 'Rise to the Moment' and sail towards a just and greener future. They will make their way through Northumberland along the following route:

8 October: Cramlington to Hirst

9 October: Hirst to Amble

10 October: Amble to Longhoughton

11 October: Longhoughton to High Newton

12 October: High Newton to Bamburgh

13 October: and onwards to COP26

[More information can be found at their website.](#)

Tuesday 12 to Tuesday 19 October: [European Ecumenical Pilgrimage: Northumberland Section](#)

This group of walkers from churches across Europe will be walking through Northumberland after setting out from the Netherlands. They will be setting out from Blyth towards the Scottish Borders from the 13th October, their route as follows:

13 October: Blyth to Cresswell

14 October: Cresswell to Alnmouth

15 October: Alnmouth to Seahouses

16 October: Seahouse to Holy Island

18 October: Holy Island to Berwick

19 October: Berwick to the Scottish Border and beyond...

They welcome people of any age and all faiths or none to join them for a walk and discussion about climate justice along the way. More information about the routes and meeting points along the journey [can be found here](#).

Friday 22 October: [PlanetMark Carbon Battle Bus tour](#)

Join the Zero Carbon Tour as the carbon battle bus makes its way up to Glasgow for COP26. The fully electric bus is taking its tour around the UK to spread its message and explaining what zero carbon means. It is also illustrating and gathering 'carbon stories' of actions and initiatives from both business, community and local services to celebrate and promote what can be done towards the goal of zero carbon.

On the 22nd October the Zero Carbon Tour arrives in Newcastle at The Core to discuss the concept of net zero carbon with its host North east Local Enterprise Partnership. More information about this online event and the Battle bus and Zero Carbon tour [can be found here](#).

The Battle Bus will even be stopping off in Northumberland's Ingram Valley on its way to Glasgow for COP26. Keep an eye out for it on the roads near you!

Saturday 23 October: [Alnwick Climate Action Day](#)

On Saturday 23rd October What a Wonderful World (an Alnwick based not-for-profit group) are welcoming people to a free Climate Action Day at Northumberland Hall in Alnwick from 10.30am to 5pm.

With music from local student groups, short talks on local transport, forestry, green jobs and energy in your home by local experts, a 'trash fashion' showcase, as well as lots of ideas and information about how you too can help towards net zero and a more just sustainable future, this is sure to be an informative and celebratory event. [Click here for the full programme of events.](#)

Saturday 30 October: [BritishVolt EV showcase in Blyth](#)

The Electric Vehicle Drivers' Associations of Europe will be heading to the COP26 in Glasgow to support the call for much faster transport decarbonisation globally fuelled by renewable energy.

En route they will visit the Britishvolt battery Gigaplant site in Northumberland where construction started September 6 on the first full-scale battery manufacturing of its kind in the country. The facility will produce low carbon, sustainable battery cells initially for electric vehicles.

Come along to Blyth Battery to test out an electric car with Octopus Electric Vehicles, and meet motoring journalist Quentin Willson who will be debunking popular EV myths with Octopus Energy CEO Fiona Howarth.

[Book a test drive here.](#)

Sunday 31 October to Friday 12 November: COP26 Art Installation, Hexham

Visit Sele Park in Hexham and add to the ever-evolving art installation representing the importance of trees. People of all ages welcome to contribute and use natural materials which will be left to "blow away" at the end of COP26.

Saturday 6 November: CANN stall at Morpeth Farmers' Market

Climate Action Network Northumberland (CANN) will be running at stall at Morpeth's farmers market on Saturday 6 November to provide information about COP26 and highlight some of the positive work that has been going on in Northumberland in tackling climate change. Go along and hear about some of the project and schemes that you might be able to get involved with!

Women's Workshop: [Stitches for Survival](#)

Teaming up with a group of knitters, crocheters and stitchers from across the UK, the Women's Workshop Northumberland as participating in 'Stitches for Survival' to craft 1.5 miles of climate messages for the COP26 negotiators to urge them to make binding and bold action for climate change.

The length of scarf is to represent the 1.5C warming target made by the Paris Agreement. It will be displayed at Glasgow Green, Drying Green on the 6 November.

After the event, the scarf will be repurposed into blankets for refugee communities. [Click here for more information.](#)

Please get in contact with us to share any COP26 events happening in your communities at climate@northumberland.gov.uk