

Governance Climate Protection Department, Kempten

Why a climate protection department?

- Climate protection has already been on the municipal agenda since the 1990s (municipal energy management, development renewable energies, energy agency...)
- Since 2006: municipal governance with 5 strategic goals
- 2012: participation in federal «Masterplan» project → foundation of administrative climate protection department
- Development of, the long-term climate protection concept (until 2050; currently updating to 2035 plan); identifying projects in the different eea areas of activity
- Advantages: systematic approach to climate protection, municipal contact point with respect to climate protection topics

Tasks of the climate protection department

- Coordination of climate protection projects
- Development of «new» climate protection projects
- Coordination of municipal climate protection advisory board (= municipal climate protection «thinktank»)
- Communication of climate protection issues within municipal administration/to the public
- Coordination/pursuit of the European Energy Award
- Public relations of climate issues
- Organization of various public events (e.g. Earth Hour, Stadtradeln etc.)

Aspects of climate-friendly planning

- Since 2019/2020: planning of urban development projects must include energy efficiency aspects (with respect to energy supply with renewables, efficient buildings)
- Developers must provide energy assessment → assessments are integrated into political discussion process
- Municipal development areas: energy efficiency topics are difficult to implement (no legal obligation for buyers to build according to certain energy-efficient standards) → indirect approach where possible
- Update municipal zoning plan: integration of climate change aspects
- Currently: development of a municipal climate change strategy

Thank you
for your attention!