

# Woodhouse Park

**Woodhouse Park's Carbon Footprint is higher than the average for Manchester.**

Our individual actions can make a big difference to help reduce it. Read on to find out what's adding to the Carbon Footprint and ways to take action.





# In a nutshell...

## At home

44% of the homes in Woodhouse Park with an Energy Performance Certificate scored below a 'C' rating for energy performance. This means they need more energy to keep warm, which could mean releasing more CO<sub>2</sub>.

## On the move

Woodhouse Park has a public transport accessibility score of between 6/8 and 7/8. This means coverage, frequency and reliability is good to very high compared to other areas in the city.



## Top actions and tips

Organisations like [Energy Saving Trust](#) can help advise you on improving your home's energy performance even further as well as saving you money.

Making more use of your public transport links as well as cycling or walking to get around will lower carbon emissions and benefit your health and wellbeing.



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# Dig into the detail

## At home

Electrical sockets and lights in Woodhouse Park are emitting less CO<sub>2</sub> now than 10 years ago. This is due to changes in where we get our electricity from and improvements in the efficiency of our lightbulbs and appliances. By choosing more efficient appliances and using them less regularly, Woodhouse Park's carbon footprint can be reduced even further.

80% of homes in Woodhouse Park have an Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) that gives us an idea of how energy efficient a home is. Homes with an 'A' rating need less energy to keep warm and light, homes with a 'G' rating are hard and expensive to heat. 92% of homes in Woodhouse Park with an EPC are average or above average on energy performance (rating 'D' or higher). Around half (48%) of homes are a 'C' rating or above, and 12% are rated as low cost and low carbon ('A' and 'B' rated). This is a good start but getting all homes above 'C' will help reduce Woodhouse Park's carbon footprint. Organisations like the [Energy Saving Trust](#) and [People Powered Retrofit](#) can help with advice on improving your home's energy efficiency, and the [Help for Households](#) website has lots of low and no cost tips for saving energy.

The gas we use to heat our homes is a CO<sub>2</sub> causing fossil fuel. The amount of gas used per person in Woodhouse Park has dropped by 10% since 2010. By improving the energy efficiency of homes in Woodhouse Park and swapping gas appliances to electric for things like cooking, Woodhouse Park can reduce its carbon footprint further.

## On the move

Most of Woodhouse Park has a public transport accessibility score of between 6/8 and 7/8. This means the coverage, frequency and reliability of bus, Metrolink and rail services is good to high across the area but more could be done to increase Woodhouse Park's public transport accessibility score even further.

Woodhouse Park's carbon emissions from car travel have remained largely the same over the last 10 years but there are opportunities to reduce this. With short commuting distances (only 10% of people in Woodhouse Park travel more than 6 miles for work), good public transport options and the potential for more walking and cycling, Woodhouse Park can reduce its carbon footprint. Plan your journey with the [Bee Network](#).

**To find out more about how we calculated the carbon footprints and check the data for yourself, head to: [www.manchesterclimate.com/local-carbon-footprints](http://www.manchesterclimate.com/local-carbon-footprints)**

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