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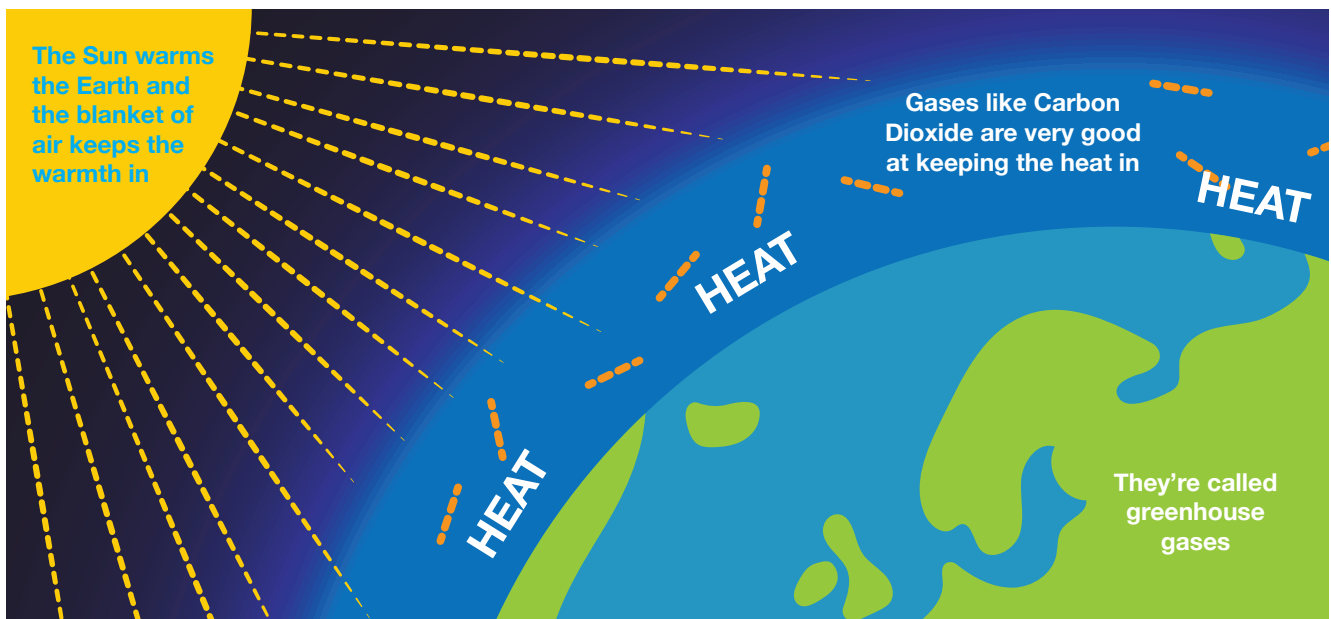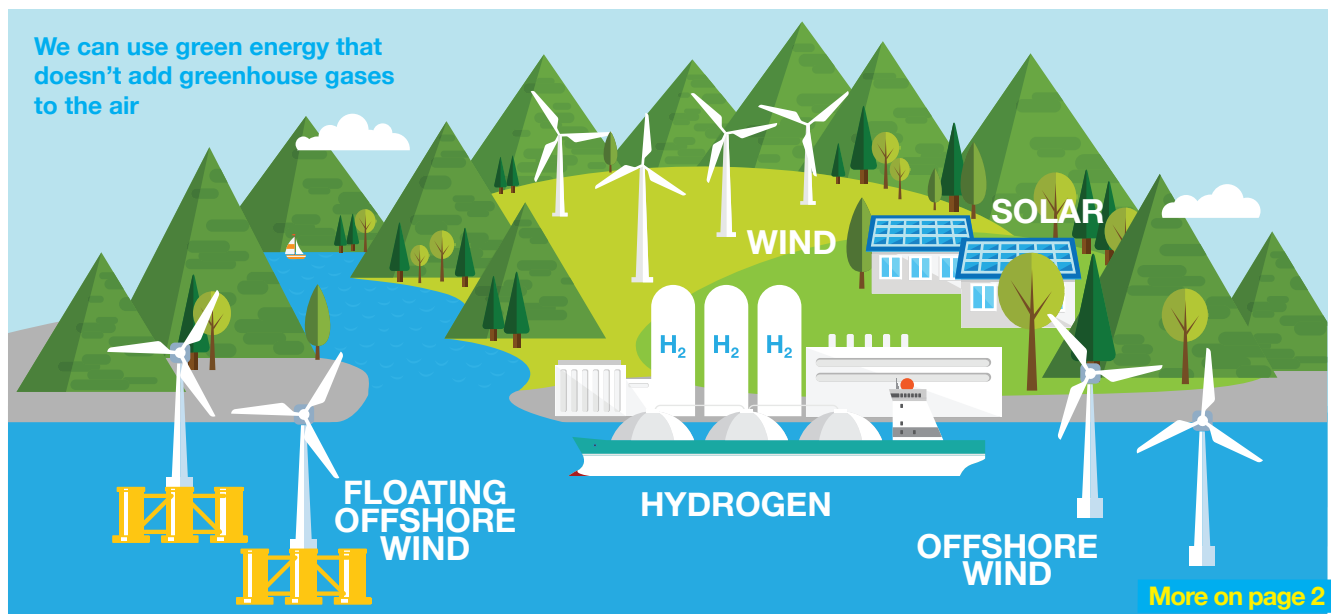
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Imagine a cold winter's day. You put on a coat or blanket and you feel warm. The earth has a blanket as well.

It is called the atmosphere and is made up of different gases. When sunlight warms the earth, the atmosphere holds the warmth in. However, some gases are very good at trapping heat, like carbon dioxide, and they are called greenhouse gases. Adding to these greenhouse gases, through burning fossil fuels in power plants and factories is not a good thing because it makes the earth too warm. Rising temperature levels can trigger extreme weather events, which can be dangerous for us people, plants and animals.

The Sun warms the Earth and the blanket of air keeps the warmth in

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How can ABP help?

At ABP, we own many sea ports... 21 in England, Scotland and Wales and we work with a variety of different companies, from those with ships to those with trains, containers, cars, lorries, warehouses and factories. If you look around the room where you are, there is a high chance that most objects would have reached you by sea, on a vessel, through our ports.

We can use green energy that doesn't add greenhouse gases to the air

WIND

SOLAR

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FLOATING OFFSHORE WIND

HYDROGEN

OFFSHORE WIND

This means that we have a really important role to play not only in reducing the harmful gases we produce but also in helping all of these companies use different kinds of energy that don't add to greenhouse gases and can help save the planet. That is why we've created a sustainability strategy called 'Ready for Tomorrow', which shows how we can achieve this and highlights key themes we will focus on to make sure we don't contribute to greenhouse gas emissions.

Below is an overview of the key themes:

Net Zero

Replacing vessels, port equipment, cranes and cars which currently run on fossil fuels with green energy-powered alternatives.

Air quality

Working with other businesses and communities to make sure the air around our ports is clean.

Biodiversity

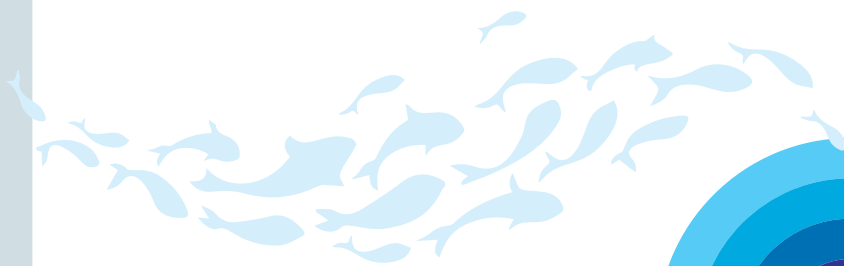Protecting animals and plants in and around our ports.

Waste

Limiting the amount of waste we create and ensuring it is recycled properly.

Water

Reducing consumption of water and reusing it where possible.

Ready for Tomorrow