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LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO PROTECT LANGEOOG

Environmental, Climate, and Nature Conservation and Sustainability Goals

We advocate that these issues continue to be given the highest priority and that political decisions be made with climate considerations in mind. Through our efforts and various council motions, we have made it possible to hire a climate protection manager and have now firmly established an integrated climate protection strategy. We will work to ensure that the recommended measures outlined in this strategy are implemented step by step. The motion *"Rethinking New Year's Eve—Balancing Tradition and Modernity"* by our councilwoman Kraus was brought to life in part through a personal donation from her, and for the first time, the island community of Langeoog offered an eco-friendly laser show at the turn of the year. We will strongly advocate for this sustainable alternative to be regularly offered by the island community as a central event for future New Year's celebrations.

Nature-Based Climate Protection & Adaptation to Climate Change

Since we have already exceeded the 1.5°C target and are now clearly heading toward >2°C, it is essential that we vigorously promote nature-based climate protection on a large scale and adapt as effectively as possible to the climate impacts of our past actions that are already evident today. To ensure life on Langeoog remains as pleasant as possible.

Preserving Langeoog's Character and Natural Treasures

Langeoog, located within the National Park and the UNESCO World Natural Heritage Site of the Wadden Sea, provides a unique habitat for people and animals that is worthy of protection. We want to help ensure that this unique character and these natural treasures are preserved by continuing to strongly advocate for giving the highest priority to environmental, nature, and climate protection.

Protecting Our Freshwater Lens, Nature, and the Environment During Upcoming Power Line Crossings

We support the goal of efficiently bringing wind energy from the North Sea ashore. However, this expansion must not come at the expense of our most valuable natural areas. We want to protect them within this highly sensitive ecosystem, including our vital freshwater lenses. The preservation of the populations residing there and the breeding, resting, and migration areas of various bird species must be ensured. We will not waver in our commitment to continue advocating strongly for this cause in the upcoming proceedings and to engage the interested public. Furthermore, we criticize the lack of assessments of nature-friendly alternatives for the route crossings and strongly demand that such assessments be conducted on a scientific basis.

Act Together, Win Together

Protecting our coastline and the sea is essential for life on the islands. That is why we, the Langeoog Greens, are working intensively to protect them. Our councilwoman, Bärbel Kraus, drafted a resolution on this matter, which was approved by the councils and administrations of the islands of Langeoog and Borkum and presented by Councilwoman Bärbel Kraus in April 2026 to Lisa Paus, Chair of the Budget Committee of the German Bundestag, in Berlin. Titled *"Securing the Future of the Islands of Langeoog and Borkum—Climate Protection Is Our Shared Responsibility,"* the resolution calls for the interests of both islands to be taken into account when allocating funds from the special fund and for financial resources to be made available for coastal and climate protection on the ground. At the same time, the resolution calls for a "joint municipal climate protection task" to be enshrined in the Basic Law in the medium term in order to secure long-term funding.



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Ports, Shipping, and Coastal Protection

Through our Green Party parliamentary group in the Bundestag, we are also advocating for improvements in maritime safety and calling for, among other things, tracking systems for lost containers and their contents (see the MSC Zoe incident). The lumps of paraffin washed up on our islands come mainly from tank washings of seagoing vessels; although stricter rules have been in place since 2021, follow-up cleaning at sea unfortunately remains permitted. Our councilwoman has submitted an inquiry to the federal government on this matter through the Bundestag parliamentary group. We'll stay on top of this.

Greenhouse gas neutrality by 2040 at the latest

To achieve this, we don't want to just plan for the short term; we want to actively shape our path over the next 14 years so that secure investments in green technologies become possible.

No CO2 storage in the North Sea

CO2 storage is expensive, a technically untested technology, and entails further interference with nature that has harmful effects. Since this storage is planned in the German Exclusive Economic Zone in a field (slightly larger than the Saarland) approximately 50 km off our coast—and since this exposes us to many risks—we fundamentally oppose CO2 storage.

STRENGTHENING LANGEOOG TOGETHER

Green fiscal policy: invest with foresight—stay capable of taking action!

Necessary measures must remain affordable in the long term—ecologically, socially, and economically responsible. We combine budgetary discipline with targeted investments in the future. The chronic underfunding of our municipalities must end. State and federal governments are called upon to permanently provide the financial resources necessary to fulfill our responsibilities. Only in this way can our local self-government remain capable of acting in the long term, and we will then manage the available funds responsibly, transparently, and with clear priorities.

Currently, at the initiative of our councilwoman Kraus, a resolution is pending in the Bundestag with the goal of securing funding from the special fund established in March 2025 for additional investments toward achieving climate neutrality, specifically for investments on Langeoog and Borkum. These funds are urgently needed for the planned conversion of locomotives and ships to alternative propulsion systems alone.

A solution for the KWC/HDI complex is urgently needed so that the financial situation of the tourism service can be sustainably alleviated.

Sustainable Tourism

Our tourism must be as sustainable as possible. Guests who recognize and appreciate high quality and sustainability enjoy visiting us. For us, it goes without saying that Langeoog's tourism offerings must be accessible to everyone, regardless of their needs. We will work vigorously to ensure this.

ELECTRIFYING LANGEOOG TOGETHER

Expanding solar power on all suitable rooftops (with or without personal investment—power contracting)

To achieve the 2040 goals, PV expansion must be strategically and continuously scaled up over the next 14 years. This expansion can be driven forward in various ways. In addition to purchasing PV systems, we also want to explore options that do not require personal investment (so-called power contracting). For this reason, we are equally committed to the corresponding nature-friendly expansion of the PV system at the wastewater treatment plant.



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WARMING LANGEOOG TOGETHER

Decentralized renewable heating (with and without upfront costs—heat contracting)

To achieve the 2040 goals, the issue of heating must be actively addressed in tandem with the expansion of solar power over the same period leading up to 2040. Due to the island's isolated location and to minimize additional grid costs, decentralized renewable heating in all buildings on the island could be the best option. Similar to PV systems, in addition to purchasing decentralized renewable heating systems, options without upfront costs (so-called heat contracting) can also be utilized. We would like to advocate for this.

Public Building Renovation and Consulting on Private Building Renovation

A key factor in making Langeoog sustainable is improving the energy efficiency of the island's buildings. Over the next 14 years, we aim to advance the renovation of public buildings.

KEEPING LANGEOOG ON COURSE TOGETHER

Sustainable and Fair Trade Decisions/Procurement

Decisions and procurement based on sustainable and Fair Trade goods and services—without coming at the expense of people and the environment in other regions of the world—should become the standard for our municipal actions. In this way, we aim to set an example and encourage other people and businesses to join us on this path. We are committed to further developing a sustainability strategy, whereby the island municipality's procurement management and contracting practices should be more clearly aligned with the criteria "Sustainable, environmentally sound, socially responsible, and ecological" adopted by the Council in February 2023, in accordance with our motion on the procurement of goods—including Fair Trade products. In October 2025, we were awarded first place as the "Fair Trade Capital" in the small municipalities category by the Service Agency for Local Governments in One World (SKEW) in Munich. We view this award not only as confirmation of our commitment to date, but also as an obligation and an incentive for the future. Incidentally, it was our councilwoman Kraus who first brought this competition to our attention during a council meeting.

SHAPING LANGEOOG TOGETHER

Participatory Forum and "Langeoog Climate Days"

Together, we have a wealth of knowledge available on the island that we can share with one another and benefit from.

LET'S SPRUCE UP LANGEOOG TOGETHER

A Biodiversity Plan for Langeoog

We want to continue working to ensure that our parks and streets are landscaped in a sustainable, species-rich, and low-maintenance way. We want to consistently follow the path that Councilwoman Kraus paved with her proposal to create orchard meadows, small flowering parks, and roadside greenery.

Optimizing Waste Prevention and Waste Collection

We will continue to advocate for keeping the issues of waste prevention and waste collection on the agenda and for their innovative development.

***If we act collectively, we can work together to protect what
benefits us all, moves us forward, and brings us closer together again.***



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With you, for Langeoog!

Your candidates

**No. 1 on
the list**



Bärbel Kraus

With many years of experience, working to shape our island in a competent way

- ☀️ Dedicated
- ☀️ Solution- and future-oriented
- ☀️ Passionate

**No. 2 on
the list**



Marko Schurig

No AI. No marketing copy. Just Marko.

- ☀️ Give biodiversity on Langeoog more space
- ☀️ More trees in public spaces, especially in playgrounds
- ☀️ Improving services for locals and vacationers

**No. 3 on
the list**



Elisa Rechmann

Bringing generations together

Working together to shape a sustainable and vibrant future on Langeoog

- ☀️ Young, motivated, and courageous
- ☀️ Taking action instead of just complaining
- ☀️ Down-to-earth and approachable

**No. 4 on
the list**



Christel Sommer

Christel introduces herself: Clear, direct, approachable

- ☀️ Protecting and preserving my home, Langeoog, for future generations
- ☀️ Fostering a sense of community
- ☀️ Investing sustainably in the future