

## WHICH SUSTAINABILITY?

### A Classification Exercise

Each item is a real or realistic policy. Classify it: **VW** (Very Weak) **W** (Weak) **S** (Strong) **VS** (Very Strong). ⚡ = trap.

### MOBILITY

#	Policy	Model
1	Build more highways to reduce congestion	
2	Subsidise the purchase of private electric cars	
3	Set strict emission standards for new vehicles (e.g. Euro 7)	
4	Make public transport free for all residents	
5	Invest massively in protected cycling infrastructure	
6	Ban private cars from the city centre	
7	<b>Implement a 15-minute city plan</b> ⚡	
8	<b>Allow Uber and ride-hailing with no regulation</b> ⚡	
9	Tax frequent flyers progressively	
10	Set a personal annual carbon budget for travel	
11	<b>Subsidise the expansion of low-cost airlines</b> ⚡	

### ENERGY

#	Policy	Model
12	Subsidise fossil fuel extraction (oil, gas, coal)	
13	Deregulate the energy market to increase competition	
14	Create a feed-in tariff for renewable energy producers	
15	Implement a carbon tax on all fossil fuel use	
16	<b>Launch a national green hydrogen strategy</b> ⚡	
17	Give legal priority to community energy cooperatives over corporations	
18	Declare energy a public good and ban privatisation	
19	Create an energy poverty programme (free energy for low-income)	
20	<b>Set a national cap on total energy consumption</b> ⚡	
21	<b>Build new nuclear power plants</b> ⚡	
22	Ban all advertising for fossil fuel companies	

### FOOD

#	Policy	Model
23	Subsidise industrial agriculture and large monocultures	
24	<b>Allow corporations to patent seeds (GMO patents)</b> ⚡	
25	<b>Deregulate pesticide approval to speed up innovation</b> ⚡	
26	Fund the EU Farm-to-Fork strategy	
27	<b>Certify and label organic products (EU Bio)</b> ⚡	
28	<b>Subsidise agrivoltaics (solar panels over fields)</b> ⚡	
29	Protect farmers' right to save and exchange seeds	
30	Support community-supported agriculture with public funds	
31	Implement land reform: redistribute large landholdings	
32	Pass a Food Sovereignty law	
33	<b>Ban industrial animal farming entirely</b> ⚡	

34	Mandate that all schools serve only local, seasonal food	
35	<b>Fund research into lab-grown meat ⚡</b>	

## WATER

#	Policy	Model
36	Privatise the city water supply	
37	<b>Allow companies to buy water extraction rights ⚡</b>	
38	Set water efficiency standards for appliances	
39	<b>Install smart water meters in all homes ⚡</b>	
40	Build public drinking fountains in every neighbourhood	
41	Write into the constitution that water is a human right	
42	Hold a referendum to ban water privatisation (Italy 2011)	
43	<b>Give legal personhood to a river (New Zealand) ⚡</b>	
44	Ban water-intensive crops in drought-prone regions	

## HOUSING

#	Policy	Model
45	Deregulate construction permits to speed up development	
46	Offer tax breaks for real estate developers	
47	Require green energy efficiency standards for new buildings	
48	<b>Subsidise home insulation and heat pump installation ⚡</b>	
49	Build social housing with ecological materials	
50	Implement strict rent control in cities	
51	Create community land trusts (collectively owned land)	
52	<b>Regulate Airbnb to protect housing for residents ⚡</b>	
53	<b>Set maximum square metres per person in new construction ⚡</b>	
54	Ban real estate speculation (buying to resell, not to live in)	

## WASTE

#	Policy	Model
55	Allow exporting waste to developing countries	
56	Set mandatory recycling targets for municipalities	
57	Pass an Extended Producer Responsibility law	
58	Implement a deposit-return system for bottles	
59	<b>Pass a Right to Repair law ⚡</b>	
60	Ban single-use plastics completely	
61	<b>Create municipal zero-waste programmes ⚡</b>	
62	<b>Set a national cap on total material consumption ⚡</b>	
63	Ban planned obsolescence (products designed to break)	
64	<b>Tax all advertising for non-essential consumer goods ⚡</b>	