

Community actions to mitigate against climate change

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Mobility

Car-sharing

Lift-sharing

Improved public transport- collaboration between communities, lobbying local government and encouraging people to make use of the current resource and request improved resource

Electric vehicle charging points (including bikes)

Walking and cycling groups- improve confidence, mobility, community

Electric bike sharing scheme

Energy

Insulation advice and incentives for private homes and community buildings

Shared and / or community-owned renewable energy installations

Development of community-owned businesses

Development of green economy

Carbon calculator workshops

Increased involvement of local schools, clubs, businesses in climate action projects and plans

Food

Community allotments and gardens

Community compost production (links to recycling / reuse below)

Seed-sharing and exchange projects

Collecting own seeds from (appropriate) crops

Community food centres e.g. kitchens, cider presses

Group food-buying – supporting local suppliers and producers, encouraging use of organic produce, buying in bulk.

Cooking and eating together – reduce waste and increase community

Regular and reliable local food outlet(s)

Consumption

Regular repair café

Library of things / tool share schemes

Waste recycling project- farming (and fishing)

Community recycling and re-use collection facilities.

Plastic-free action plans (schools, businesses, clubs etc.)

Waste-free action plans (as above)

Land and nature

Education in water and carbon storage techniques and potential improvements

Improve wildlife value in all areas: private gardens and homes, public buildings, businesses, verges, smallholdings, farms, parks, school grounds. Including wildling

Community seed gathering and planting, tree nurseries.

Volunteer group for wildlife / conservation activities

Community orchards

Community verges, hedgerows, woodlands

Multi-purpose

Community shops

Advice-centres on climate and low-impact choices

Recording of change as climate and biodiversity crisis develops. Celebration, record-keeping, informing future generations. Written and spoken word, pictures, films.

Community van / bus to support outlying communities

Re-skill, up-skill and share skills – talks, workshops etc.

Mentors (perhaps linked to advice centres) – could be for the various aspects

Catalogue of ideas for individuals, businesses, clubs etc.