Sustainability Support for Education











Housekeeping



Please keep yourself on mute



Feel free to introduce yourself in the chat



Feel free to have your camera on or off



Put questions in the chat at any time



Today you will...

- Be introduced to Sustainability Support for Education and have a demo the site
- Been taken through sign up and create an account
- Identify an aim or aims to work on that are right for your setting
- Consider which colleagues you want to work with you on sustainability
- Find out how to save those aims and share them with colleagues
- Information on associated support available



Climate Action

- Reduce emissions energy bills
- Drive behavioural change and shifting mindsets waste
- Developing resilience to the effects of an ever changing climate
 heat
- Increasing access to, and connection with nature making the most of the space available



Climate Action Plans

- We all need to take action towards a more sustainable future.
- It's a tool to create focus for your activity and to bring your colleagues with you.
- Help you create a vision to drive ambition and realise your goals
- Evidence shows that taking climate action will have lots of wider benefits for your setting such as:
 - O financial savings from energy efficiency;
 - O mental health and wellbeing through outdoor learning;
 - O improving the school infrastructure and estate.
- A whole-institution approach to sustainability can effectively demonstrate compliance with various aspects of the Education inspection Framework.



A free online service

A place for all educational settings to build their Climate Action Plans and do it:

- Quickly: easy to navigate for time poor staff.
- Easily: One stop shop, covering all 5 pillars
- Well: the highest quality resources, checked by experts.



Benefits of Registering

- Save actions and related resources to come back to later
- Download actions to add to your Climate Action Plan
- Share actions and resources that you've found with colleagues and collaborators
- Input details on your setting to get more tailored suggestions



Login process

Sign in to your account





Add details on setting

Find your setting

Enter your setting's postcode. It must be the postcode your setting is registered to. We'll use information about your setting to create a filter that shows you relevant actions and resources.

If you work in more than one setting, you'll have the option to add additional settings later.

Setting postcode

Search

Note: This service is for education settings located in England.



Add details on setting

Tell us more about your setting

Tell us about your setting's sustainability journey so far

If you're not sure, you can answer 'I don't know' and come back

Does your setting have a Climate Action Plan, sustainability strategy, or similar document?

Yes No I don't know

Has your setting put any structures in place to enable your sustainability journey? For example, meetings or budget.

We've not started yet

We've made some plans or set up some structures

We've started putting our plans into action

We've got regular activities and structures in place

Tell us about your role in your setting

What is your role in this setting? You may select more than one role		
Business and operations	Careers	Catering
Climate Ambassador / Let's Go Zero	Estates and site	Finance and procurement
Governors	Leadership	Pastoral
Sustainability lead	Sustainability working group	Teaching
Trustees	Other	
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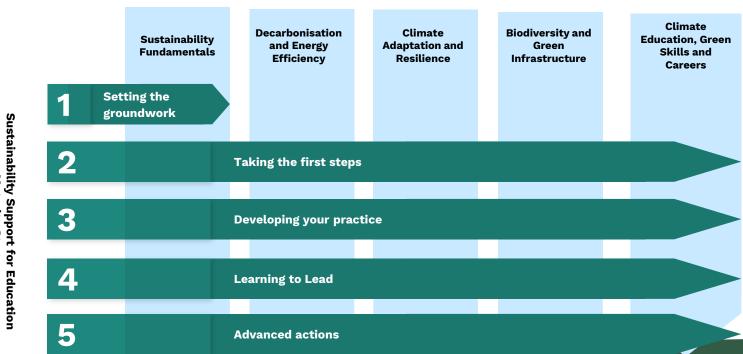


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Foundations of the Site

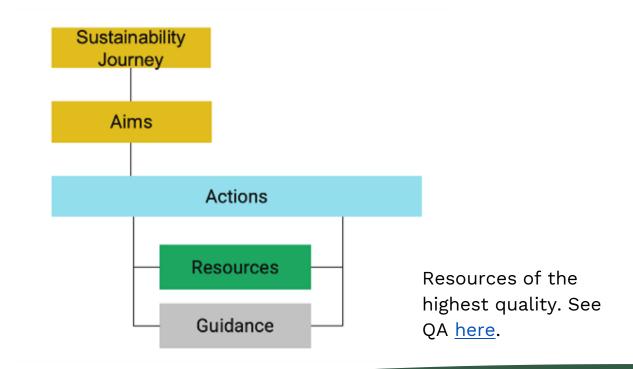
Department for Education Strategy Pillars



Sustainability Support for Education
Maturity Stages

Your building blocks: Aims and Actions

- = Aim: a group of actions that will help you progress in your sustainability journey
- = Milestone: a key achievement that will enable you to move forward
- = Action: something your setting can do to become more sustainable. You can read about these in detail on the website.









Tips for choosing appropriate aims or actions

- Consider what progress has already been made
- Your unique context and site restrictions
- Be ambitious but realistic
- Be guided by the sequenced steps on the site
- Ask for help when needed



Your phase and your setting

Early Years: Focus on outdoor learning and improving wellbeing and connection to nature.

- Promote the benefits of using outdoor learning spaces to your stakeholders
- Introduce outdoor activities as part of learning

First 10 actions for an EY setting HERE.

Primaries: Focus on building the groundwork.

- Assess the current sustainability position of your setting
- Understand what data is available across all areas of sustainability
- Consult your community on creating sustainability aspirations
- Identify your sustainability priorities
- Agree a sustainability vision
- Start to build a whole-setting awareness of sustainability

Secondaries: Focus on taking the first steps.

- Create a sustainability working group
- Appoint a sustainability focussed governor
- Understand your energy use
- Understand how people travel to your setting
- Conduct a waste audit.

View Primaries Suggestions List <u>HERE</u>.

View Secondaries Suggestions List <u>HERE</u>.





Identify an aim for your setting & Save to list



A whole setting approach



Why?

- To share the workload
- To share the responsibility
- To help embed into daily operations, culture and ethos
- To ensure people feel included

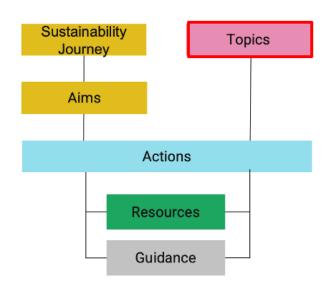
Use your networks to drive change



Using Topics

Topics are a useful and quick way to **collaborate with colleagues** and for them to quickly navigate to appropriate actions, resources guidance & support.

- For example, site teams maybe interested in reducing energy costs and therefore go straight to the **Energy** Topic.
- Business/finance managers maybe interested in Funding or Procurement.
- Governors in Planning and Monitoring
- Kitchen/catering staff in Food & Catering and Waste









Creating your plan

Ask yourself:

- WHAT are your chosen actions?
- HOW are the actions going to be done? Use the resources to do this.
- WHO is going to be responsible and deliver the action?
 - Be sure to **share your plan** with your setting and community.
- WHEN are things going to get done? Have a progress measure to help with this (not started, on track, delayed, completed)

Nice to have:

- Costs
- Links to School Improvement Plan (if applicable)

Actions to provide more support:

- Develop a short term action plan
- Develop a long term action plan





Identify three people to engage



In Summary



For online support to:

- Identify sets to take for your action plan
- Access resources to help you take action

For in person, expert support to help develop and implement your plan





For curriculum linked resources and hands-on activities that empower students to transform your grounds





CLIMATE AMBASSADORS

Requesting a Climate Ambassador



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Our objective

To provide education settings within England access to support from volunteer Climate Ambassadors, who will help them develop and deliver impactful Climate Action Plans.









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What is a Climate Ambassador?

- Volunteers from across private, public, charity, university and community sectors who want to put their climate change and sustainability knowledge to work.
- Aim to support education settings deliver meaningful change on sustainability and climate change.
- Climate Ambassadors will be fully DBS checked, have undertaken mandatory training and have access to a suite of additional training to complement their existing expertise and skillsets.
- Work with leaders, staff, young people and governors.







What can Climate Ambassadors offer education settings?

- Get started creating and progressing your climate action plan
- Inspire action in your setting
- Identify ways to decarbonise your operations
- Plan and adapt to the impacts of climate change, to minimise risk of disruption to learning
- Increase biodiversity across your setting's estate and improve access to green space
- Provide advice on how you can weave climate education and green careers inspiration across teaching and learning activities
- Upskill you staff to build their confidence in teaching about climate and sustainability



Regional support

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https://climateambassadors.org.uk/get-involved/

Climate Action Advisors

A free in person service for all education settings. Receive dedicated expert support to help progress your sustainability and climate action journey.

Climate Action Advisors offer:

- Tailored advice for nurseries, schools and colleges at any stage of their sustainability journey across England.
- Bespoke support for schools, MATS, LAs and Dioceses.
- Help on a range of issues affecting all and any stakeholders (Teachers, site staff, business managers, MAT teams, governors, PTA).
- · Online/ in person/ school site visits.





Young people are leading the way in creating a network of green spaces in schools, colleges and nurseries across the country

Free programme for all education settings in England

Young people exploring and transforming their learning sites for people and wildlife

Boosting biodiversity locally and nationally, while developing connection to nature and vital skills for their futures

Using digital tools to map out and survey their outdoor spaces

Collecting real scientific data to aid nature recovery, with the difference everyone is making displayed on an online map







www.educationnaturepark.org.uk

DfE snapshot

Receive news and updates from the Department for Education about sustainability related topics.

Sign up here







Questions



Thank you







