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Climate Workshop 1 Town and Parish Councils



Workshop Facilitators



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Gary Foot – Low Carbon Dorset Project Officer

Tom Scarrett - National Management Trainee

Amy Smith - Local Nature Recovery Officer

Purpose of the day

This workshop is the first in a series of collaborative meetings aimed at developing a joined-up approach to climate and nature across our councils. The aim of today is to share and discuss successes and challenges and plan for future collaboration

Agenda

Session	Time	Activity	Lead
Session 1	10:00 – 10:35	Welcome & Climate Speed Networking Icebreaker	Keziah Rookes
	10:35 – 11:00	DC Climate Update	Antony Littlechild & Connor Pearson
	11:00– 11:30	Table Rotation 1 – Mini Workshop Sessions	Facilitators – Connor, Amy and Carl
15 min Coffee Break - Support Staff - Lucy and Tom on coffees			
Session 2	11:45 – 12:00	Climate Ambassadors	Keziah Rookes
	12:00 – 12:15	Low Carbon Dorset	Gary Foot
	12:15–12:45	Table Rotation 2 – Mini Workshop Sessions	Facilitators – Connor, Amy and Carl
15 min Coffee Break - Support Staff - Lucy and Tom on coffees			
Session 3	12:45 – 13:00	Climate & Nature T&P Survey Feedback	Keziah Rookes, Tom Scarrett and Amy Smith
	13:00-13:25	Group Discussion: Forward Planning & Future Topics	Keziah Rookes
	13:25 – 13:55	Table Rotation 3 – Mini Workshop Sessions	Facilitators – Connor, Amy and Carl
	13:55 – 14:00	Close & Thank You	Keziah Rookes
Tea coffee networking opportunity until 14:30			

Climate Speed Networking

1. Name
2. Council
3. Role
4. What's one climate or nature project your council is proud of?
5. Your biggest challenge in tackling climate change locally?
6. What's one thing you'd love to learn from other councils?



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Dorset Council Climate Update

Council Plan: Updated targets

We've set climate and nature as one of the four priorities of the new Council Plan, and set a range of new targets including:



Council Plan
2024-2029

Transition all our small vehicles to electric by 2030

Add another 5MW of solar PV to our estate by 2030

Develop adaptation plans for our services by March 2026

A 65% recycling and composting rate by 2035

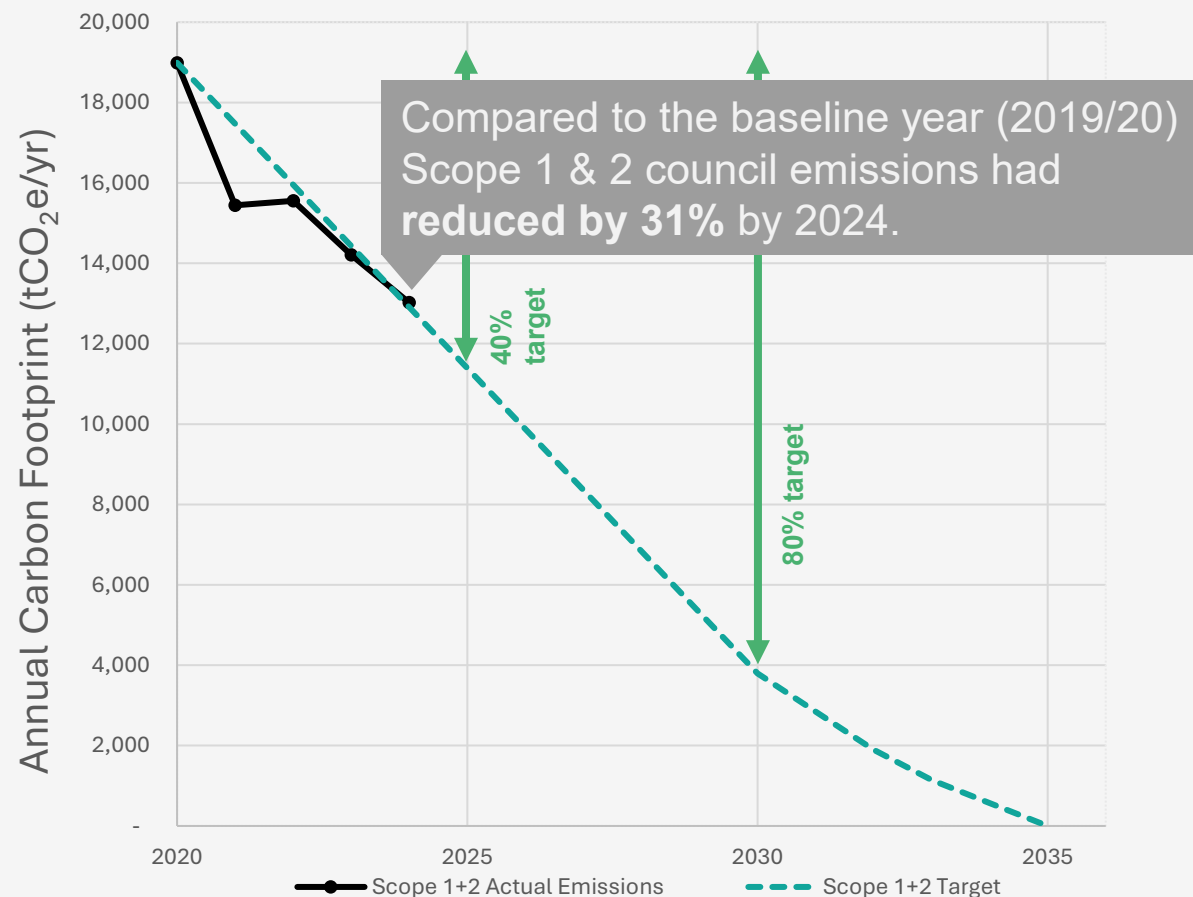
Manage 80% of our urban verges for nature by 2030

70% of our county farms estate using sustainable farming practices by 2030

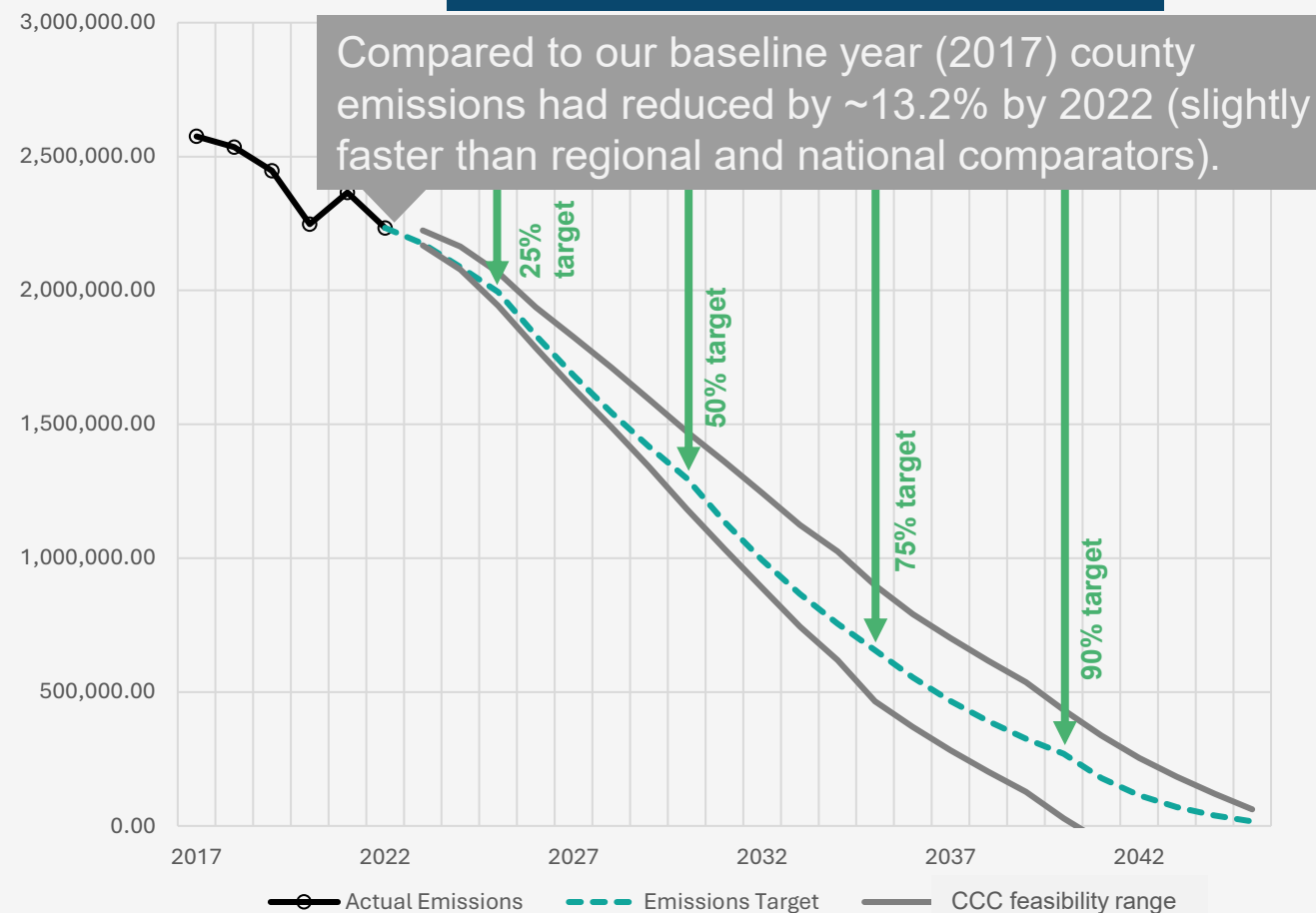
There's lots not listed here – you can view it at dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/council-plan

Our Emissions: Target and performance

Dorset Council (2024): 13kt CO₂e (Sc1+2)



Dorset (2022): 2.2Mt CO₂e



Progress so far: Our Council



Building Retrofit

- 42.3% savings in 23/24
- Decarbonisation Plans produced for 120 properties



Transitioning with HVO

- HVO at every council fuel site
- >90% of vehicles transitioned



Electrifying the Small Fleet

- 1/4 of small fleet now EV
- 36 chargers installed, 18 in progress



Workplace Travel Plan

- Framework for reducing business-related travel and commuting

Current projects: Council estate Solar PV

Council Estate
**Decarbonisation
Programme**



In addition to the ~100 solar PV installations already in place, for the next phase we've identified another 49 potential sites through desktop review.

A consultant was appointed to undertake outline design for each site, to inform future procurement, programming/timing, preparatory work, and delivery.

Work has been now been completed to assess roofs, access, electrical requirements, planning considerations/constraints, and make grid connection applications.

The next phase of procurement is now in the Procurement Forward Plan, with procurement of the batches planned for 25/26 and 26/27.

46

schemes are developed to outline design stage

42

have been assessed as deliverable

£2.4-2.6m

Is the estimated total cost

2.2MWp

Is their potential capacity

36

schemes have secured grid connections so far

28

are 'permitted development', with 9 requiring prior notification; 5 full planning applications

Progress so far: Strategic Policy Framework



Local Transport Plan 4

- Covers 2026–2041
- Consultation alongside Local Plan in late summer/Autumn



Local Nature Recovery Strategy

- Sets 12 nature recovery priorities
- The draft is available to read now [on our website](#)



Residual Waste and Recycling

- Waste Strategy 2024 focuses on next five years
- #1 unitary council for recycling



Public Sector Decarbonisation Group

- Developing partnerships across Dorset, including on procurement, carbon reporting and resilience

Current projects: Economic Growth Strategy

Energising Dorset

Economic Prospectus - Growth Strategy
2025 - 2030



Ambitious for Clean Energy

A green growth revolution is underway which positions Dorset as a new UK destination for international investment in clean energy. Bringing together private sector organisations, the Dorset Clean Energy Super Cluster is on a mission to unlock investment and align processes to ensure the UK Industrial Strategy can be delivered in Dorset and the English Channel. This will strengthen UK security and resilience, accelerate economic restructuring and transition whilst complementing energy projects in the Celtic Sea and other parts of the UK.

Dorset presents multiple opportunities to advance Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects by harnessing its unique geography and geology, whilst leveraging the exceptional deepwater port at Portland. With an estimated investment level across all projects of £28 billion – the UK and Dorset has a strategic opportunity to enable a once in a generation transformation to drive and deliver green growth and clean power. This accelerates progress towards delivering Government ambitions set out in Invest 2035 and its commitments to clean power by 2030 and Net Zero by 2047.

Investment opportunities are centred around Winfrith and Portland Port with its deep water, sheltered harbour and minimal tidal range, and availability of land and buildings that can be adapted to provide accommodation and manufacturing space. They include:

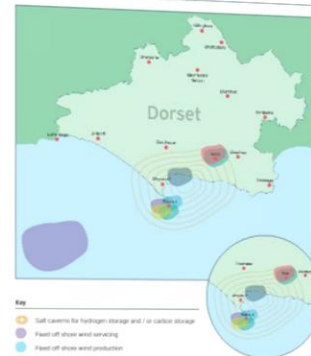
- Offshore Wind in the English Channel and Celtic Sea
- A deepwater, offshore wind hub to construct and service the renewable sector
- Carbon dioxide (CO₂) capture and storage (CCS)
- Clean hydrogen import and storage
- Hydrogen production
- Nuclear Small Modular Reactors (SMRs) at Winfrith
- Related opportunities such as grid improvements floating solar and desalination
- Improving digital capabilities including high-capacity fibre spine and data centres.

By capitalising on south Dorset's unique, geological and geographical and physical assets such as grid connection points, nuclear license, deep water harbour and salt caverns, a strong investment proposition for Dorset is being made.

We want to work in partnership with the private and public sector to maximise these opportunities. In doing this we can make positive contribution to England's energy security and achieve sustainable future-looking growth for Dorset. Furthermore, with the levels of energy being produced, opportunities for further private sector investment, such as for data centres, can be harnessed.

Clean energy is one of the core priority ambitions of our draft economy strategy, 'Energising Dorset', and our teams are actively engaged in conversations with major investors and developers to help realise these opportunities.

South Dorset clean / green energy map



Energy type	Process	Locations
Hydrogen	Storage	Dorset salt caverns
Hydrogen	Production	Portland and Winfrith
Carbon	Capture from sea water	Weymouth bay
Carbon	Storage	Dorset salt caverns
Floating off-shore wind	Servicing	Portland
Off-shore wind (fixed)	Production and servicing	Portland
Nuclear	Small Modular Reactors (SMR)	Winfrith

These future looking industries and environmentally sustainable new technologies are attractive to younger people, providing secure, skilled and well-paid jobs. Science

technology, engineering and maths (STEM) education in schools, and higher education provision will be supported and enhanced to provide for the development, skills and research for these industries. We want to collaborate with regional universities on industry and academia collaboration, including the take up of research and development, technology transfer and the location and support for university spin-out businesses. We can build on our existing contacts, such as Exeter's University's carbon capture from sea water pilot demonstration project, to do this.

How we will do this

- Work with partners to secure Portland as a location for servicing and manufacturing of fixed and floating off-shore wind farms
- Secure in south Dorset projects delivering Carbon Capture and storage and hydrogen production.
- Develop, adopt and implement a new masterplan for the Nuclear Restoration Services (NRS) Winfrith site prioritising clean energy production.
- Encourage and facilitate investment in digital infrastructure to provide a foundation for economic growth and prosperity and so we can capitalise on the clean energy generation to power data centres and AI Growth Zones.
- Pursue a Devolution Deal with neighbouring authorities to secure devolved powers and funding from government which can support green energy projects, and digital and transport infrastructure

Target Measures

By bringing productivity up to the UK average, we would generate an additional £1.6 billion for Dorset, leading to higher paid jobs and greater disposable income. We want to:

- narrow the Dorset to UK productivity gap by 5% by 2029

The emerging clean /green energy super cluster is an area of significant opportunity for Dorset. We want to:

- generate over 2000 jobs and over £500m of private sector investment in renewable energy projects by 2029

Progress so far: **Supporting local people**



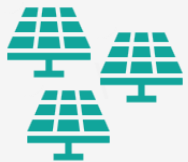
Low Carbon Dorset

- Helped over 700 businesses, communities and organisations in 8 years
- Extended up to March 2026



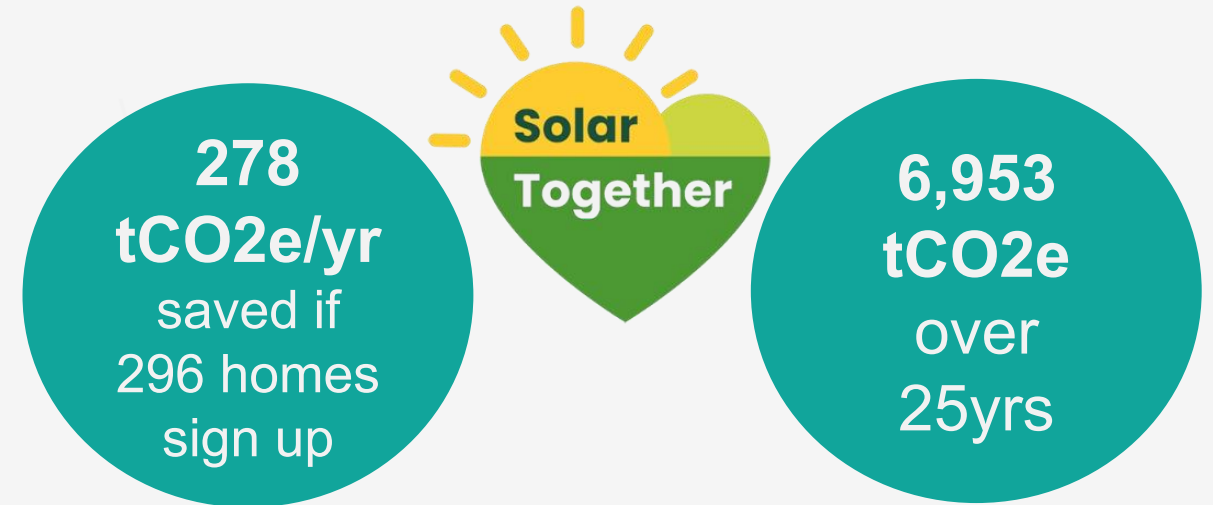
Farming in Protected Landscapes

- Projects covering flood risk, carbon emissions and tree, woodland and hedge planting



Group Buying Renewables

- Letters have started to be sent out, registrations until October, installations mid-2026



Progress so far: Our Region



Great South West

- Highlighting key strategic opportunities such as renewable energy development
- Engaging with national government for Dorset and SW



Climate Ambassador Programmes

- Programme with Met Office and Children's Services for schools, helping schools with Climate Action Plans



Procurement Toolkit

- Developing a toolkit to help understand and tackle carbon emissions in our supply chain



Energy Planning

- Creating a Local Area Energy Plan (LAEP)
- New national framework for strategic energy planning emerging (RESPs)




Current projects: **Adaptation & Resilience**





A draft **council operational climate risk assessment** is in development to increase corporate visibility, oversight and management of these risks – and help inform future resourcing discussions about the costs of adaptation or remedial works.

We are considering the impacts from:

- **Changes in average conditions** (e.g. average temperature or sea levels).
- **Greater incidence and severity of extreme weather events** (e.g. heatwaves and wildfire).
- **Spillover effects** from non-local impacts

It comprises **7 impact themes** and **44 impact areas**:

-  Health, safety & wellbeing
-  General operations
-  Assets, infrastructure & equipment

-  Transport & travel
-  Supplies & supporting services
-  Resourcing & finance
-  Strategic, democratic & assurance

Current projects: **Adaptation & Resilience**

To develop a **county adaptation strategy** we are frontloading community engagement to provide clear resident steer.

We will hold a **community conversation and visioning exercise** a citizen panel and public survey, supported by an advisory group.

The **next phase (Q1/2 2026)** will use that steer to agree the method and develop the content for the county risk assessment and strategy.

Working groups in that second phase will collate evidence, determine risks & opportunities, actions, KPIs and future governance.

Phase 1: Community phase (provisional timeline):





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Climate Ambassadors

What is the Climate Ambassadors scheme?

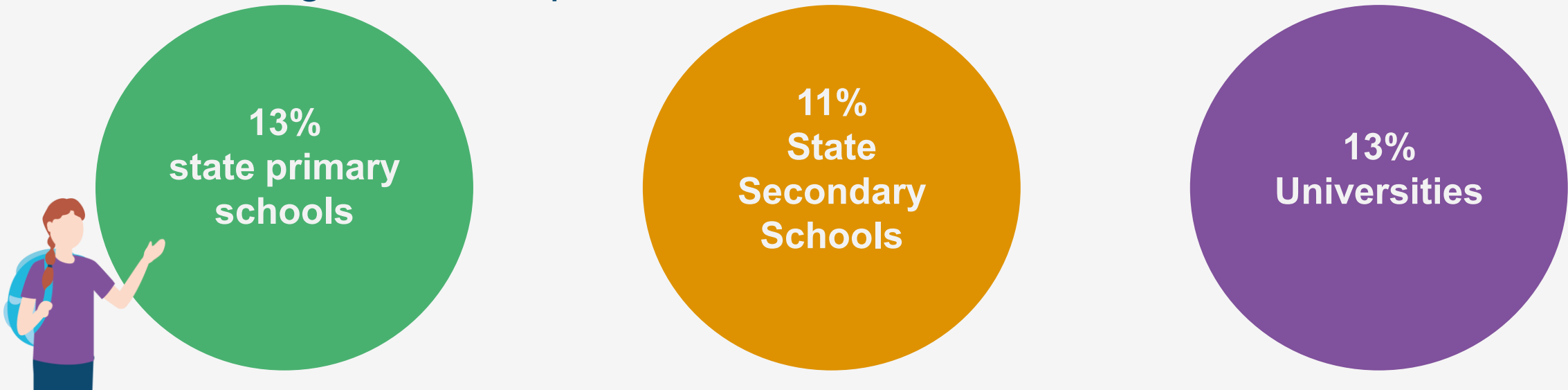
Programme set up by the department of education in collaboration with Reading University to place volunteers in schools to support climate action plan creation and implementation



Why is climate action important

The education system in England and Wales is both a significant contributor to climate change and is likely to be strongly affected by it.

Education is the public sector's largest emitter of carbon from buildings, accounting for 37% of public sector emissions:



13%
state primary
schools

11%
State
Secondary
Schools

13%
Universities

Why is climate action important

72%
of UK 14-18
year-olds
would like to
learn more in
school

77%
feel anxious
when
thinking
about climate
change

95%
of teachers find
teaching about
sustainability
and climate
change
extremely
important

70%
don't feel
ready to do
so



The DfE Sustainability and Climate Change Strategy

Published by the government in April 2022, it states that all education settings should have a Climate Action Plan in place by December 2025 with a named Sustainability Lead. It adopts a whole institution approach and addresses four pillars



The Four Pillars



Decarbonisation



Biodiversity



Climate education
and green careers



Adaptation and
resilience

CLIMATE AMBASSADORS



In association with EAUC, STEM Learning and the University of Reading

Commissioned by



Led by



Digital Infrastructure



Training and Mentoring



Engagement



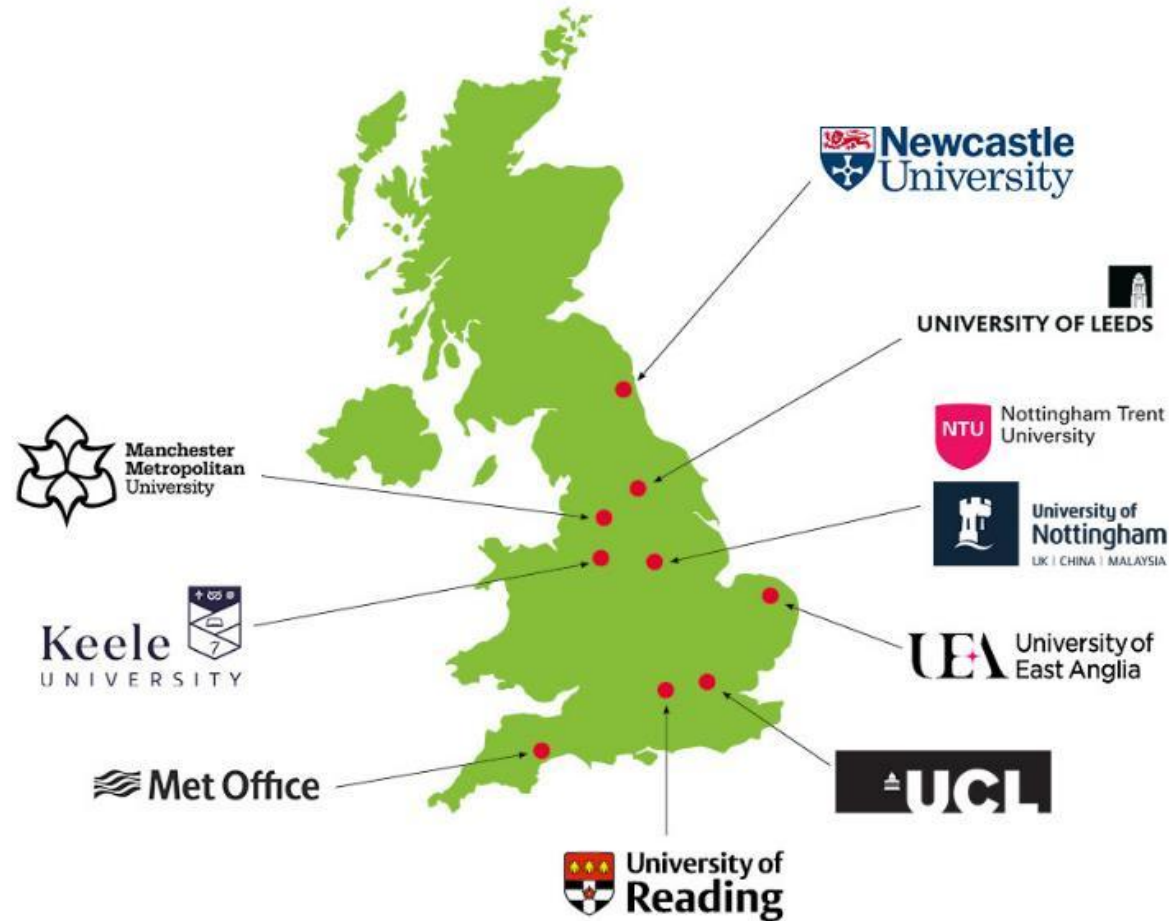
'Sister' Projects



Digital Support Hub



Regional Hubs



Climate Action Plans

- A climate action plan (CAP) is a detailed plan to enable an education setting, or trust, to progress or commence sustainability initiatives.
- The CAP can sit within an individual setting, across a trust, or both and incorporates the four pillars of climate action
- It is important to realise that every education setting will be at different stages of development, and no action is too small, what is important is that action is taken now and progress is built into your plan.

Biodiversity

Our Vision *(how can we enhance biodiversity, improve air quality and increase access to, and connection with, nature?):*

Prompt Questions:

- Has the education setting mapped and recorded biodiversity on their campus?
- Could the estate be managed differently, to provide habitats that serve to enhance local biodiversity?
- Do the estates team need support to provide habitats that enhance local biodiversity?
- Do pupils have opportunities to learn in and about nature? Could this be enhanced on the education settings campus or using facilities elsewhere in the local community?

Action	Link to Improvement Plan	Responsibility and Key Stakeholders	Timescale	Information and/or resources required	Target/ Measure	Progress (To be updated at regular review points)
Is it an action that: Explores Prepares Acts			Start date: Review Date:	Useful links:		
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Why get involved?

Education settings

- Get tailored and direct expert support to progress the development and delivery of your Climate Action Plans
- Climate Ambassadors are trained, DBS checked and can help you navigate support available

Volunteers

- Affect a meaningful change in your local community
- Support young people's climate education and skills development
- Enhance your own climate skills and knowledge

Employers

- Addition to your employee volunteering scheme
- Support community engagement and social value goals
- Enhance employee engagement

What can it offer schools?

Climate Ambassadors can help us fulfil this objective in three ways

1. By supporting schools at a strategic level at the development stage of a climate action plan
2. More generally, in the implementation of the climate action plan through working with staff and students on specific curriculum themes or whole school campaigns
3. Climate Ambassadors who work in schools as governors, members of a MAT, sustainability lead or teacher with access to free training to build capacity and agency.

Climate Ambassador training

Induction and Safeguarding

Ambassadors undergo an induction process that includes a full DBS check and mandatory safeguarding training

Flexible Training Modules

Ambassadors receive flexible, free training on various topics such as decarbonization, biodiversity, climate education, green skills, adaptation, and resilience

Specialised Training Opportunities

Additional training opportunities include Carbon Literacy Training and a Sustainability Leadership program

Support and Resources

Ambassadors are supported by regional hubs and provided with varied resources



How to get involved

For further information, visit
www.climateambassadors.org.uk

To register your school's interest: www.stem.org.uk/climate-ambassadors

To sign up as a climate ambassador or for more info:
climateambassadors_sw@metoffice.gov.uk

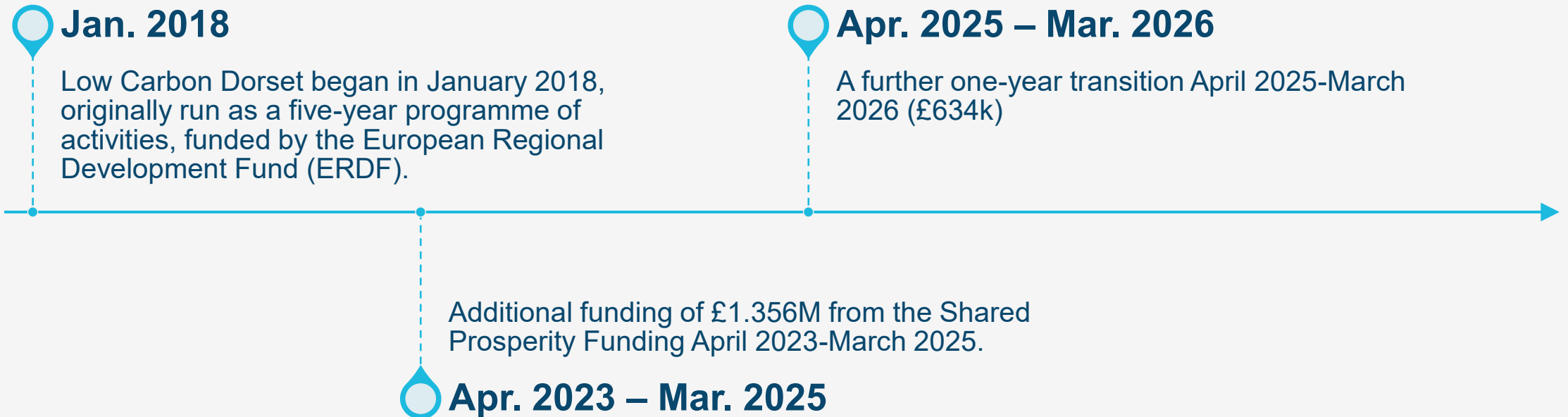
Can your council signpost local schools or potential climate ambassadors?



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Low Carbon Dorset

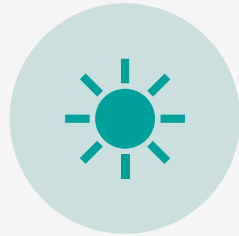
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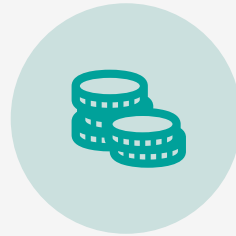
Programme Aims



TO HELP REDUCE
DORSET'S CARBON
FOOTPRINT



INCREASE UPTAKE OF
ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND
RENEWABLE ENERGY
MEASURES IN DORSET
TO SUPPORT OUR
JOURNEY TO NET ZERO..



HELP DORSET BUSINESS
TO REDUCE COSTS AND
CARBON.

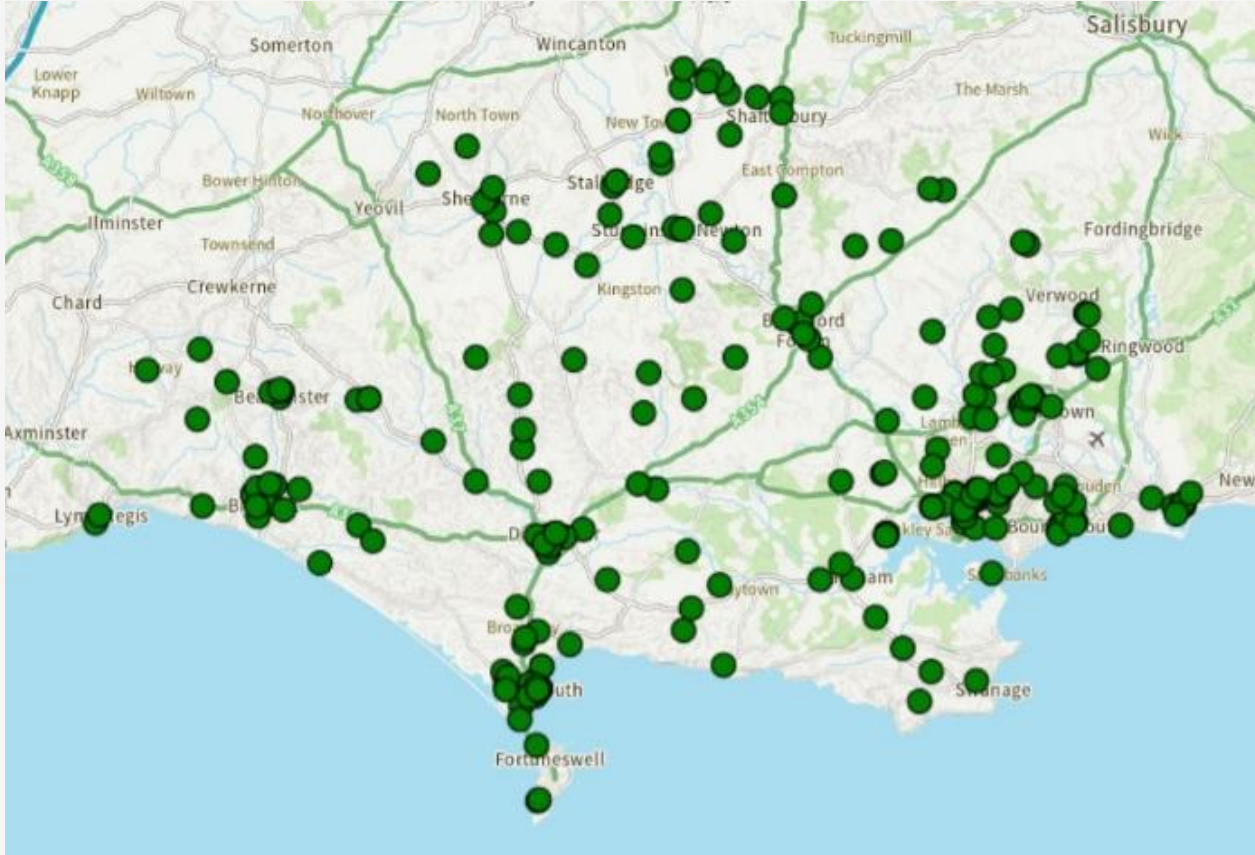


STIMULATE GROWTH IN
DORSET'S LOW CARBON
ECONOMY AND SKILLS.



ACT AS AN ENABLER BY
DEMONSTRATING WHAT
WORKS AND STIMULATE
INNOVATION.

Highlights



- [Climate and Ecology](#)

SME, Community and Public Sector Organisations

£7.5m Grants Awarded

292 Completed Projects

Over £13m Match Funding

Over 10,000 tonnes CO2e savings per annum

Over 16MW of renewable energy capacity installed

1121 Expressions of Interest received

Completed Projects



PV at Dorset Solar Limited



Hydro Screening Unit at
Town Mill, Lyme Regis



PV at Gold Oak Country Cabins



PV at Dorchester Almshouses



LEDs at The Boat Building
Academy in Lyme Regis



97.8kw Solar PV at Brookes
Bacon in Wimborne

Low Carbon Dorset Exhibition

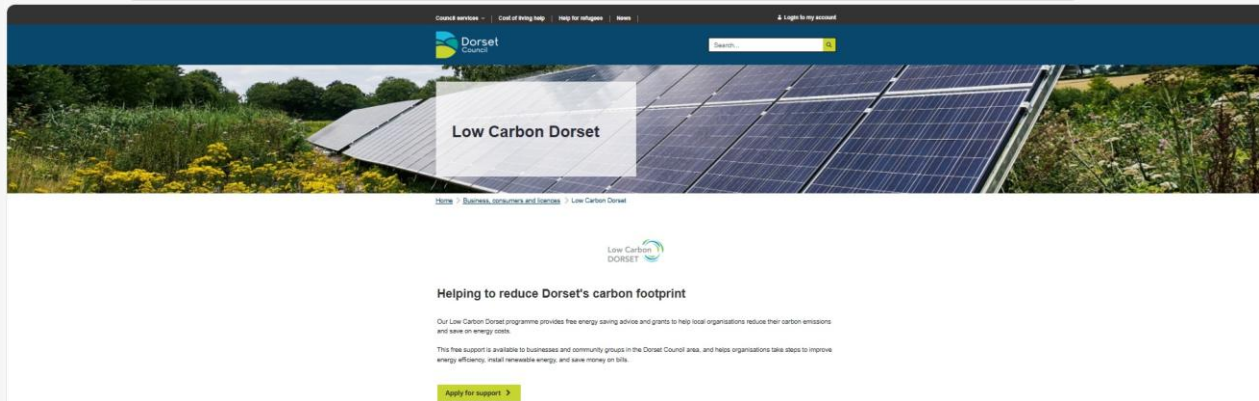
An exhibition of professional photographs, telling the story and outcomes of the EU funded Low Carbon Dorset programme, through the people and places supported was held in 2024. Beginning in July 2024 to exhibition continues to travel across the County and is currently visiting libraries. Some of the locations who have so far hosted the LCD exhibition:

- Bridport Arts Centre, Durlston Country Park, Swanage, Verwood Hub, Sherborne Abbey, Dorset History Centre, Dorchester, National Trust, Kingston Lacy, Jubilee Pavilion, Lyme Regis, Weymouth Library, Wimborne Minster, County Hall, Dorchester and Upton Library.



Additional Information

- How to apply to low carbon Dorset - [Low Carbon Dorset - Dorset Council](#)



- Email climate@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk if would like to discuss hosting the exhibition

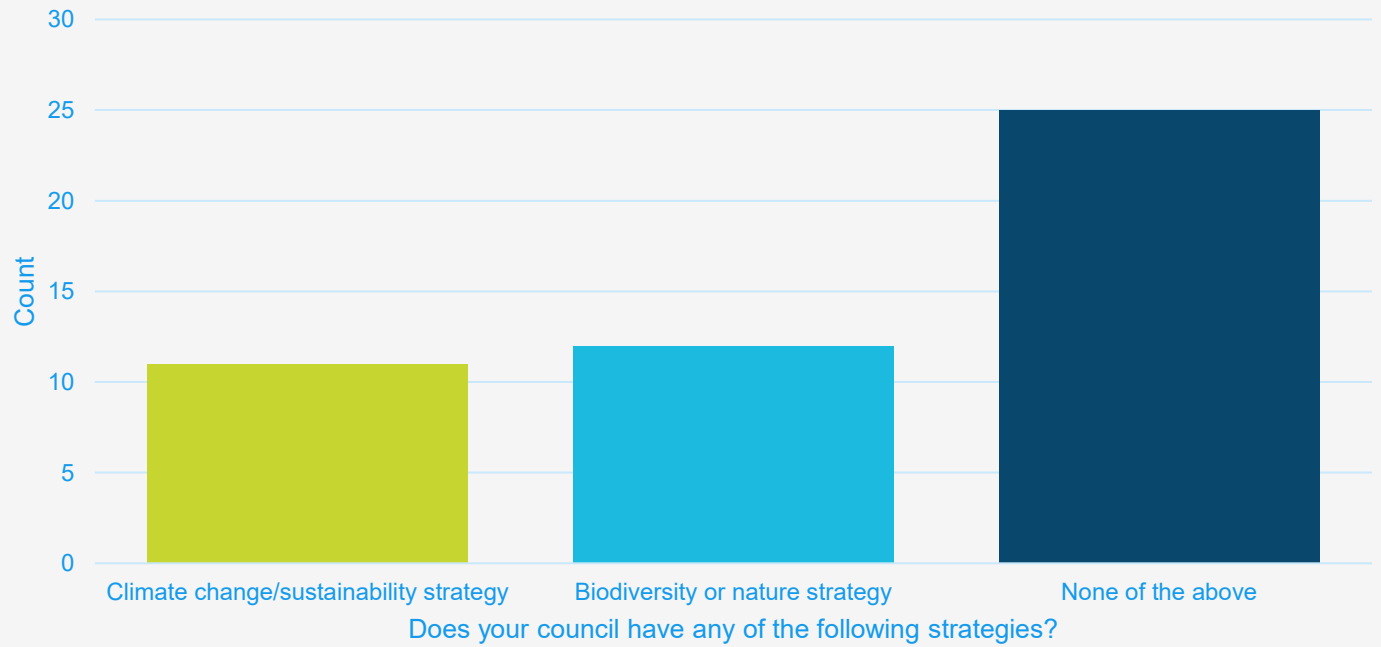
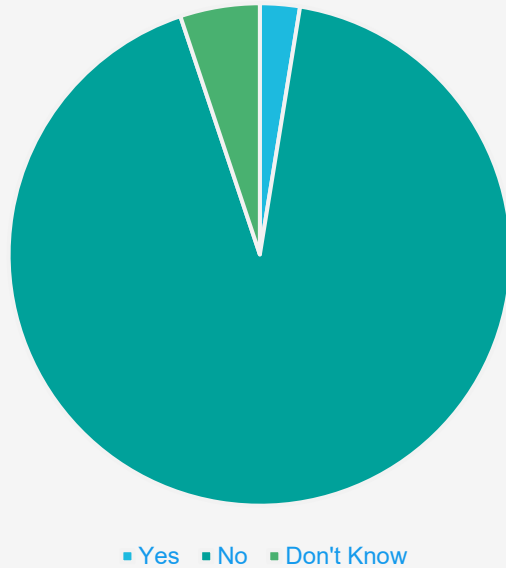


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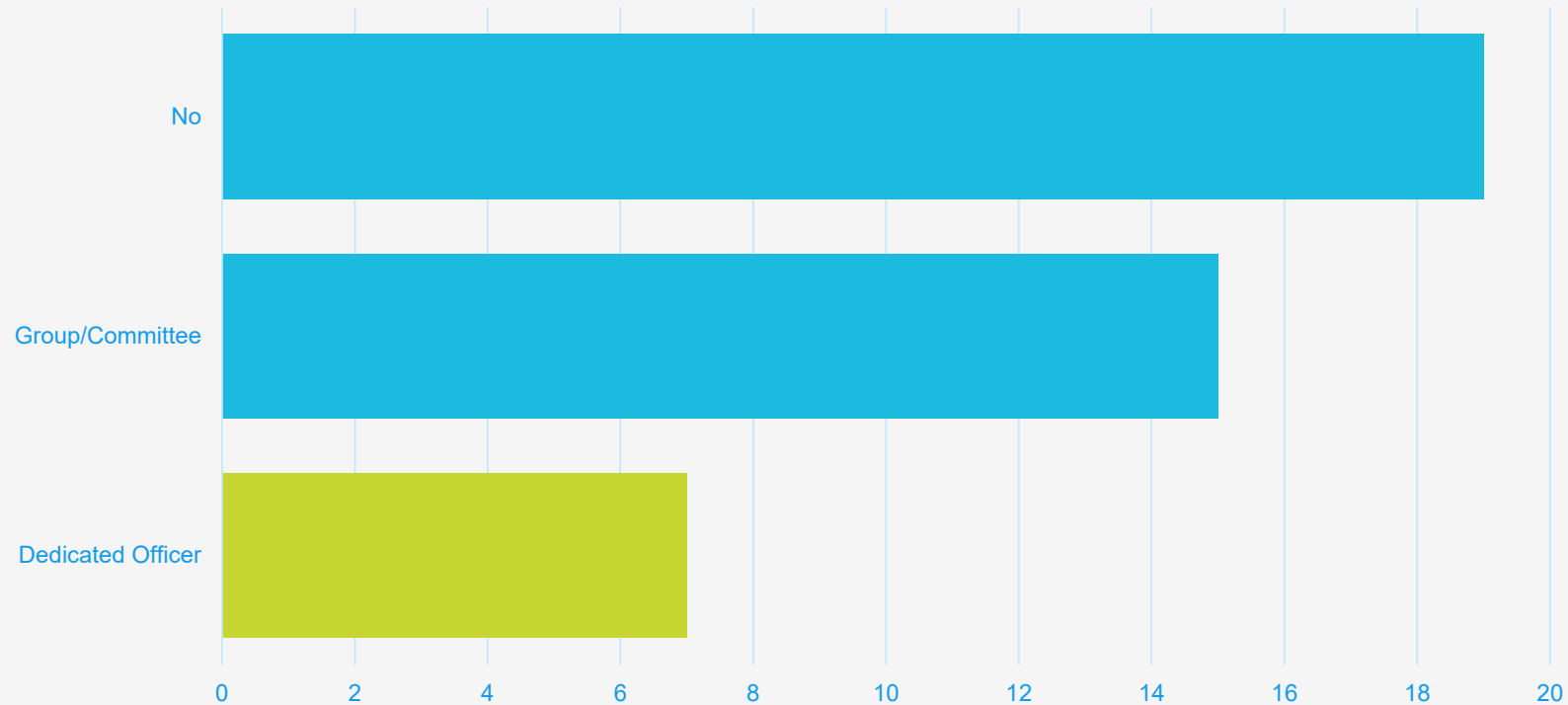
Climate and Nature Survey

Survey results

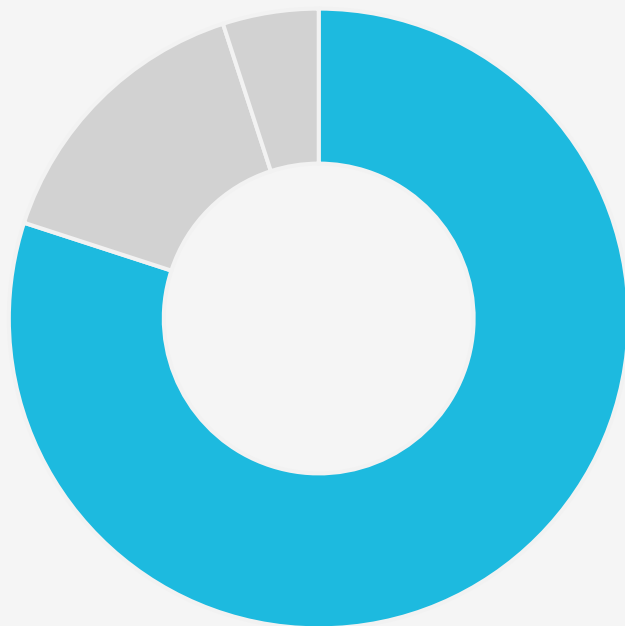
Do you complete a yearly carbon calculator?



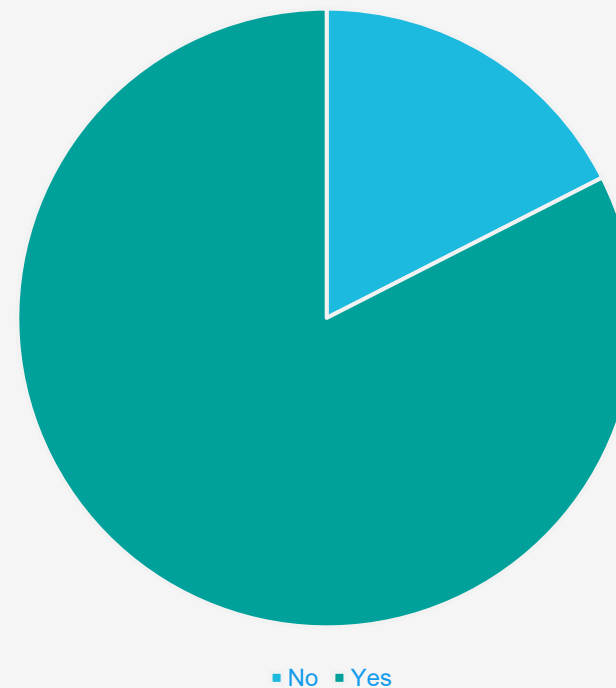
Do you have a dedicated officer or group within your council working on climate/nature?



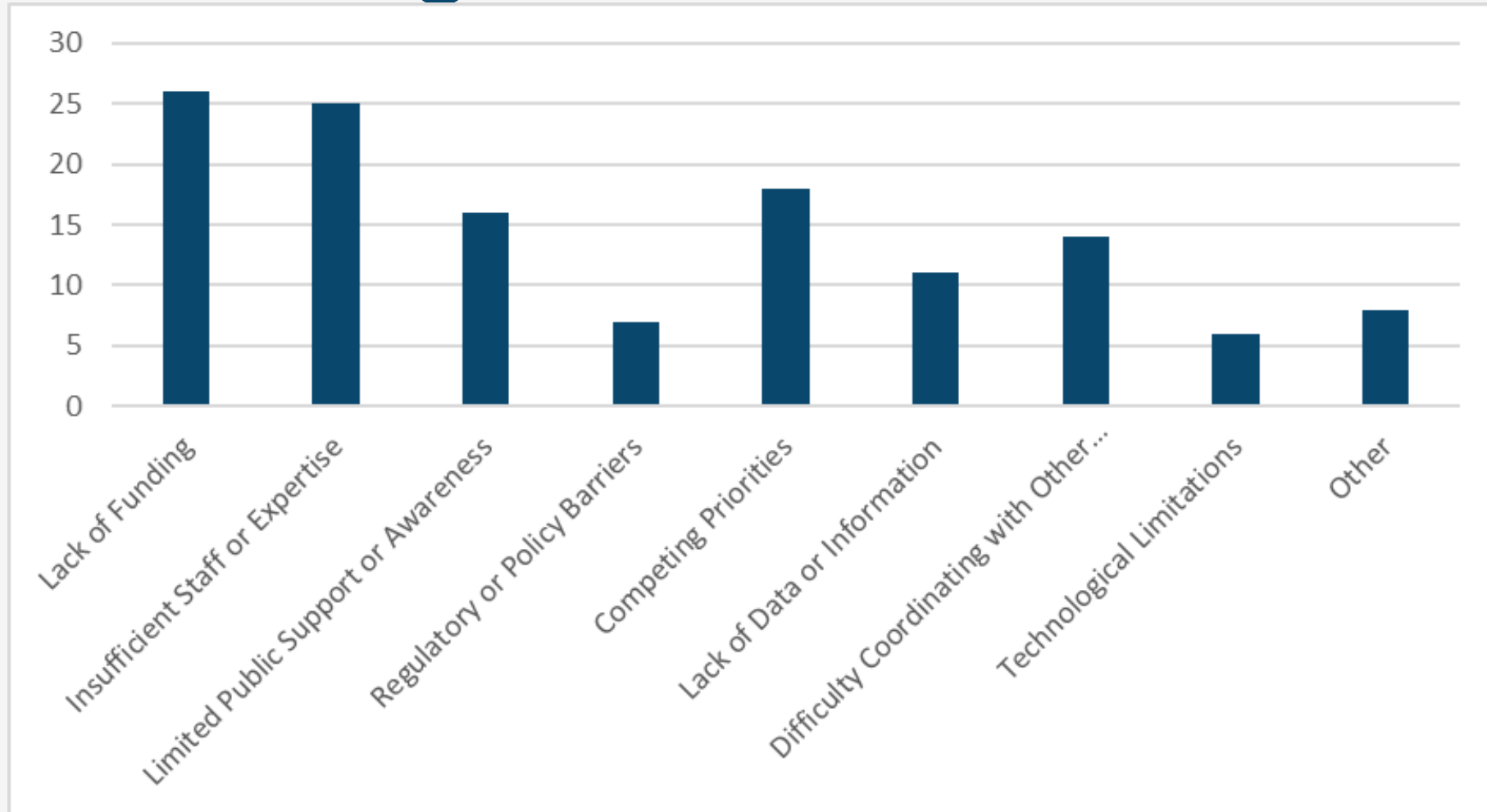
'Does your council face any challenges in addressing climate change?': Yes accounts for the majority of 'Count'.



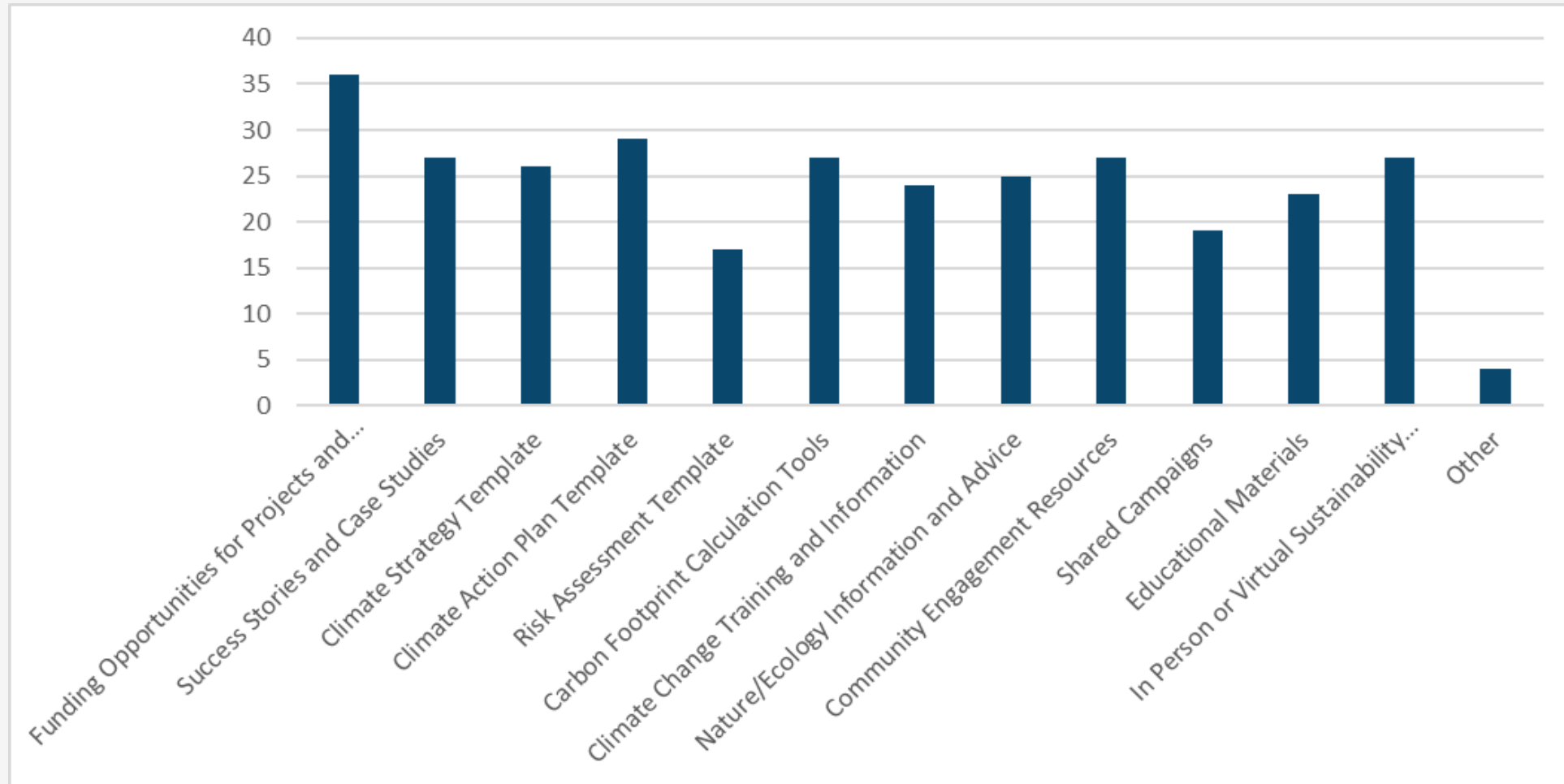
Would you or someone in your council be interested in finding out more about becoming a sustainability ambassador?



Main challenges



Things that would help



Nature recovery priorities

Do any of the following align with your council's nature strategies, projects or ambitions?

Improving or connecting grassland habitats	47%
Improving or connecting woodland habitats	53%
Improving or connecting heathland habitats	16%
Restoring rivers, lakes, and wetland habitats	32%
Enhancing or creating coastal habitats	13%
Increasing the abundance and diversity of local wildlife species (and/or controlling invasive non-native species)	58%
Using sustainable farming practices to produce good quality food in harmony with nature	13%
Making more wildlife-rich spaces in towns and villages (e.g. parks, gardens, streets or recreational spaces)	61%
Using nature-based solutions to help with issues like climate change, pollution, flooding or health	58%
Helping others to get involved in nature recovery	50%

Your nature recovery activities

- **Wildlife and habitat surveys** – both independent and through planning
- **Policies, plans and checklists** – for biodiversity, trees, wildflowers
- **Tree planting** projects and replacing felled trees
- **Wildflower creation** projects
- **Managing nature-rich areas** in cemeteries, churches and parks
- **Reduced chemical use** in greenspace management
- **Reduced mowing** where possible
- **Insect and bird** feeders and boxes installed
- **Hedgerow** surveys and planting
- **Giveaway events for residents** of wildflower seeds and tree saplings
- **Nature art and photography** competitions, installations and campaigns
- **Litter and refill** projects and campaigns
- **Education events** on nature topics





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Forward Planning and Future Topics

Website

What you can do



Individuals

Find out what everyday changes you could make to help tackle the climate and ecological emergency.



Communities

There are lots of things your community can do right now to help in the fight against climate change.



Businesses

Access handy resources and find out what funds could be available to accelerate your business's journey to net-zero.



Town and Parish Councils

Access case studies, tips and events for town and parish councils



[Home](#) > [Emergencies and severe weather](#) > [Climate and Ecological Emergency](#) > What you can do

What you can do – Town and Parish Councils



Energy advice

Quick fixes for energy conservation around your home.



Transport advice

Cut your carbon footprint by using public transport and building some active travel into your routine.



Wildlife advice

The steps you can take to make your home and garden more wildlife friendly.



Water advice

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[Sustainable Procurement](#)

Find out more about the Dorset Council Sustainable Procurement Toolkit



[Climate Action Plan Templates](#)

Climate Action Plan templates, examples and guidance



[Grants and funding](#)

Find out what grants are available to you and examples of RIFs



[Creating a carbon footprint](#)

Carbon footprint tool, webinars and guidance

What are other Councils in Dorset doing?

Below are some case studies of what other councils in Dorset are doing:



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[Shaftsbury Town Council - Climate Action Plan](#)

Towards the end of 2022 STC turned to a working group of local environmental experts, activists and volunteers for guidance on the development of a new environmental policy and action plan for Shaftesbury.



[Char Valley Parish Council Climate and Ecological Emergency Working](#)

To develop a strategy for working with the local community on the climate and ecological emergency



[Dorchester Watermark Project](#)

Find out more about this project [here](#)

Up and Coming Events



[In-Person Workshops](#)



[Webinars](#)



[Sustainability Ambassador Drop - in](#)

How can we continue to work together?

Webinars

In-person workshops

Teams Forum

Collaborative projects

Sustainability Ambassadors



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Carbon Footprinting Workshop

By Connor Pearson – Dorset Council Corporate Sustainability Officer



Carbon Footprinting

Climate & Nature Workshop for Town Councils,
27th August 2025

Climate Change | **Carbon Neutral Dorset**

Biodiversity Loss | **Nature Positive Dorset**

Adaptation | **Resilient Dorset**



Carbon Reporting

Carbon Accounting

Carbon Inventory

**Measuring the total greenhouse gas emissions caused
directly and indirectly by an organisation**

- Enables data-driven decision-making
- Supports funding applications and reporting
- Builds community trust and engagement
- Aligns with the UK's Net Zero by 2050 legal target

Preparation

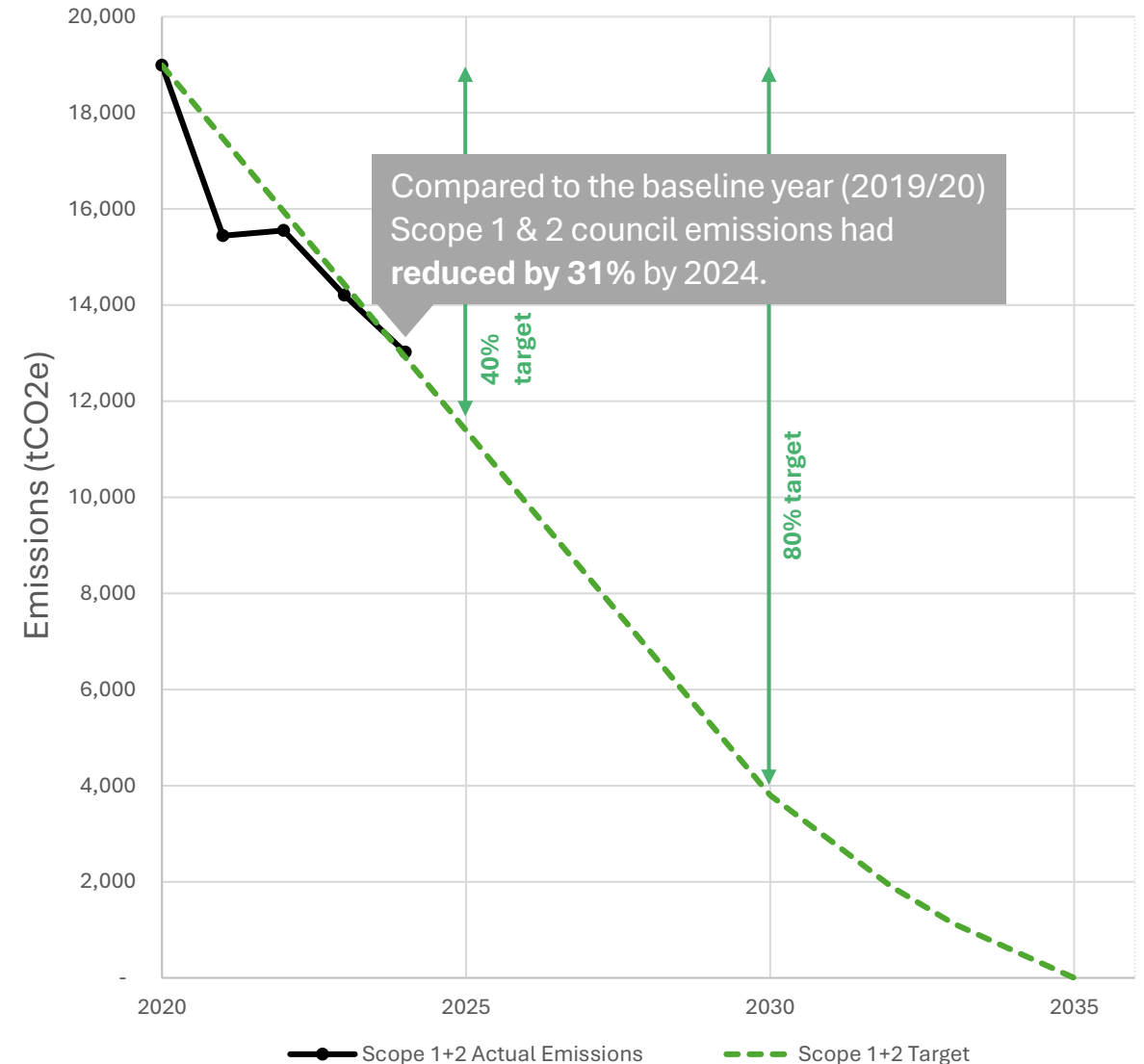
- Decide what is within scope
- Set a target

Baseline year

- Gather your consumption data
- Convert it into your emissions data
- Report on your emissions

Following years

- Gather your consumption data
- Convert it into your emissions data
- Report it compared to your baseline year



1

Direct emissions from owned or directly controlled sources.

2

Indirect emissions from the generation of purchased energy

3

All other indirect emissions that occur in producing and transporting goods and services, including the full supply chain

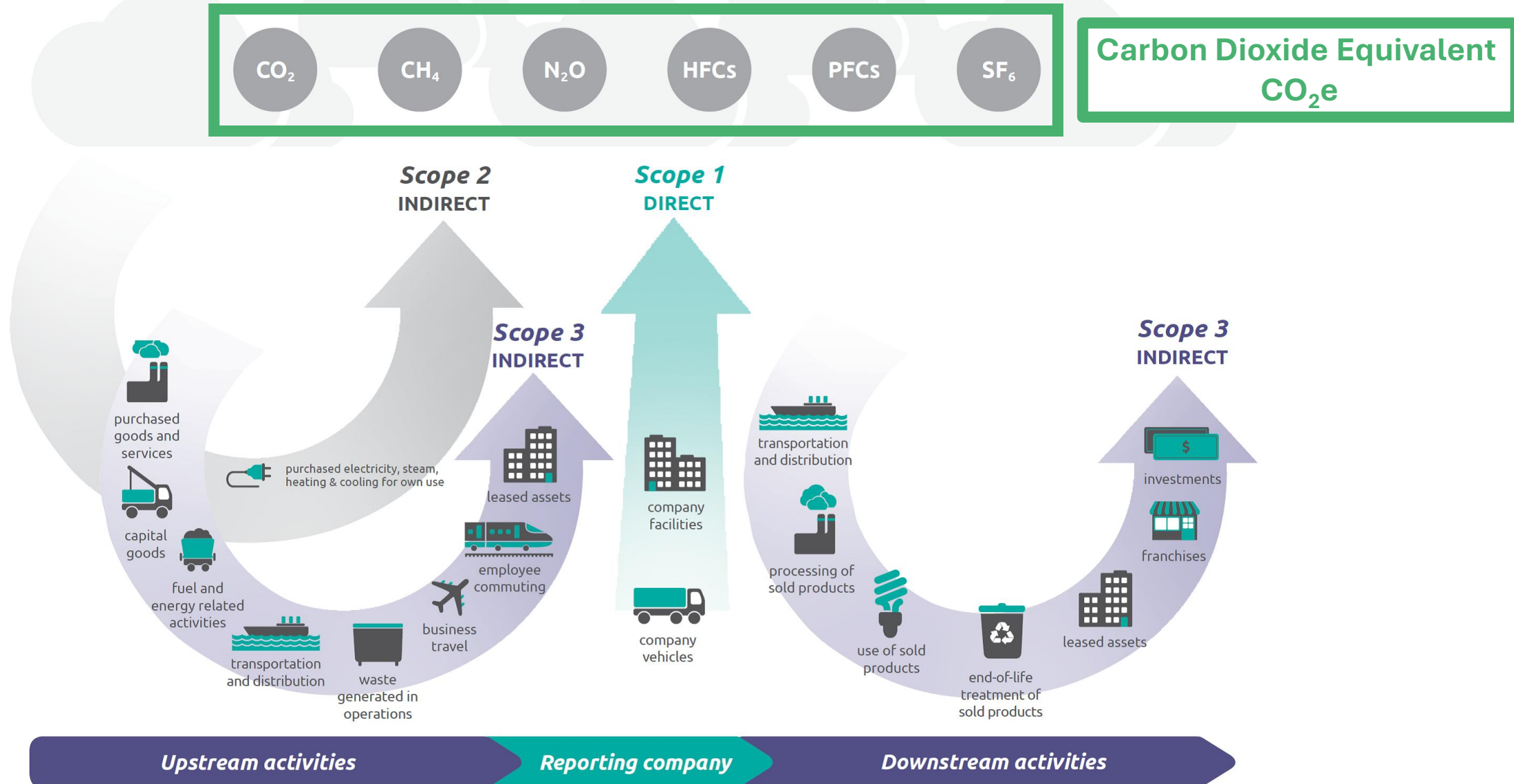
Upstream

purchased or acquired goods and services

Downstream

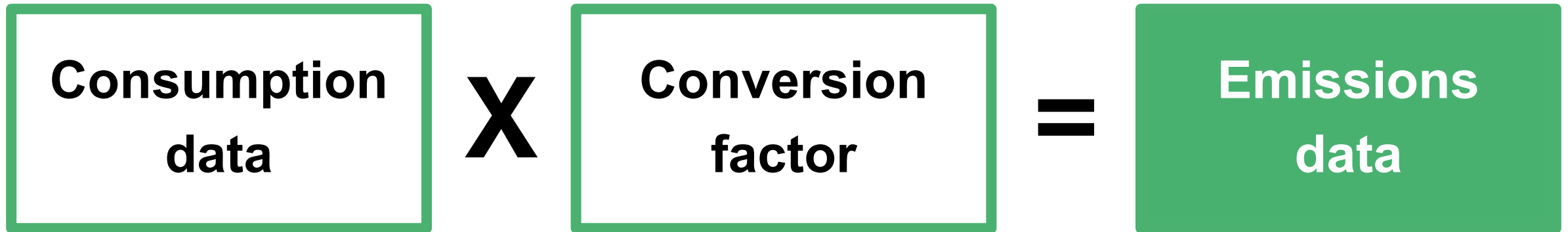
sold/produced goods and services

Scopes



What's within Scope

1	Direct emissions from owned or directly controlled sources.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fleet vehicles' fuel• Buildings' fuel
2	Indirect emissions from the generation of purchased energy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Electricity for buildings• Electricity for streetlighting
3	All other indirect emissions that occur in producing and transporting goods and services, including the full supply chain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water supply/treatment• Highways Materials• Business Mileage• Commuting• Purchased travel• Waste from DC Buildings



[Greenhouse gas reporting: conversion factors 2025 - GOV.UK](#)

Conversion Factors

**Consumption
data**

X

**Conversion
factor**

=

**Emissions
data**

**1,200 miles
diesel car**

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0.27849

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**344.188 kgCO₂e
0.334 tCO₂e**

Carbon Reporting

Workstream	2019-20 Baseline (tCO2e)	2023-24 (tCO2e)	% Change from Baseline	% Change from 2022/23
Buildings – Fuels	5,235	3,645	-30.4	-5.8
Buildings – Electricity	4,990	2,326	-53.4	-11.7
Buildings – Water	246	76	-69.3	-26.6
Streetlighting	2,491	1,554	-37.6	3.0
Highways Materials	3,960	3,678	-7.1	23.6
Fleet Fuel	6,829	5,794	-15.2	-9.7
Business Mileage	1,209	891	-26.3	7.1
Commuting	3,457	2,710	-21.6	19.9
Dorset Travel	4,082	3,121	-23.6	-1.8
Waste – DC Buildings	141	47.2	-66.6	-12.4
Total	32,641	23,814	-27.0	-0.35

Greenhouse Gas Accounting Tool - Local Partnerships

Scope 1
GUIDANCE

Reporting year:
2024-25

Authority name:
Please Select Authority

Scope 1 tCO2e:
5,265

Total tCO2e:
6,266

LOCAL
PARTNERSHIPS

Local
Government
Association

Colour code

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Scope 1
Heating

Emissions Source	Consumption Units	Year	Consumption	Conversion Factor	Emissions (tCO2e)
Natural gas	Tonnes	2024-25	1000	2568.164	2,568.16
Burning Oil - Kerosene	Tonnes	2024-25	500	3165.042	1,582.52
Gas Oil / Red Diesel	Tonnes	2024-25	250	3226.579	806.64
Wood pellets	Tonnes	2024-25	125	54.337	6.79
Wood chips	Tonnes	2024-25	100	42.765	4.28
Liquid Petroleum Gas	Tonnes	2024-25	50	2939.361	146.97
Propane*	Tonnes	2024-25	50	2997.632	149.88
Coal (Domestic)	Tonnes	2024-25	0	2904.952	0.00
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Total			2075		5,265.25

Guidance Notes

Heating & Fuel Use

Heating and fuel use data should be sourced from utilities/supplier invoices and should reconcile with metered data as well as with energy reports from energy monitoring systems or supplier reports

Carbon credits are a way of offsetting remaining carbon emissions in order to reach net zero

Eg. If an organisation has 1 tonne of CO₂e (tCO₂e) remaining that they cannot reduce, they may purchase 1 carbon credit each year to offset it.

Credits only last 1 year - organisations must purchase the credit every year they wish to offset!

- There are many credits available for purchase, both domestically and internationally, **but they are of varying levels of integrity**
- Right now, there are two main regulated codes within the UK, with more being developed to cover other methods of carbon sequestration:
 - [Woodland Carbon Code](#)
 - [Peatland Carbon Code](#)

- [GOV.UK Conversion Factors 2025](#) (Use these for Mar 25–Apr 26)
- [GOV.UK Conversion Factors for each years](#)
- [Local Partnerships GHG Accounting Tool](#)
- [GHG Protocol – Tools, Resources & FAQs](#)
- [Dorset Council Progress Reports](#)



Dorset
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Local Nature Recovery Workshop

By Amy Smith– Dorset Council Local Nature Recovery Officer

Nature Recovery Dorset Network

- Join a growing network of people and organisations all working to help restore and protect nature in Dorset
- By joining you will
 - help show where activities for nature are happening
 - connect with others
 - get access to free resources to promote your activities
 - share successes, exchange ideas and inspire others
- Join online: dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/nrd-network



We're making space for nature

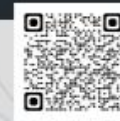


By making more space for nature, we're helping make sure wildlife thrives in our county for years to come.



Join the Nature Recovery Dorset network at

dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/nrd-network



In partnership with



#NatureRecoveryDorset

Help grow the Nature Recovery Dorset Network


- After joining the network, you will get access to free resources to help promote your nature actions and inspire others e.g. posters & social media images
- Please share the Nature Recovery Dorset network with residents and community groups in your Town or Parish
- Feel free to use this suggested text or make it your own:

Are you helping to make space for nature in Dorset?

Sign up to be part of Nature Recovery Dorset, a new initiative to celebrate and encourage local action for nature.

Whether you're creating space for nature in your garden, community, or as part of a bigger project, every effort counts.

Join the Nature Recovery Dorset network to share what you're doing, connect with others, access free resources, and promote your efforts.

 Get involved and learn why nature needs our help, by visiting <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/nrd-network>





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Sustainable Procurement Workshop

By Carl Warom – Dorset Council Climate & Ecological Policy & Project Manager

Buy Greener

Introducing guidance on environmentally sustainable public procurement



We only have direct influence on things like our buildings or fleet. But we can try and **influence** others – particularly in what we buy.

Most of our emissions are embedded in what we buy, but we can help steer suppliers to reduce them by including them in our procurement activity.



We've developed a **toolkit, guidance** and **training webinars** to support better consideration of environmental factors within procurement.

It is broadly structured around four key stages...



Plan: Get clear on the basics and prioritise



Define: Identify the impacts of what you're buying



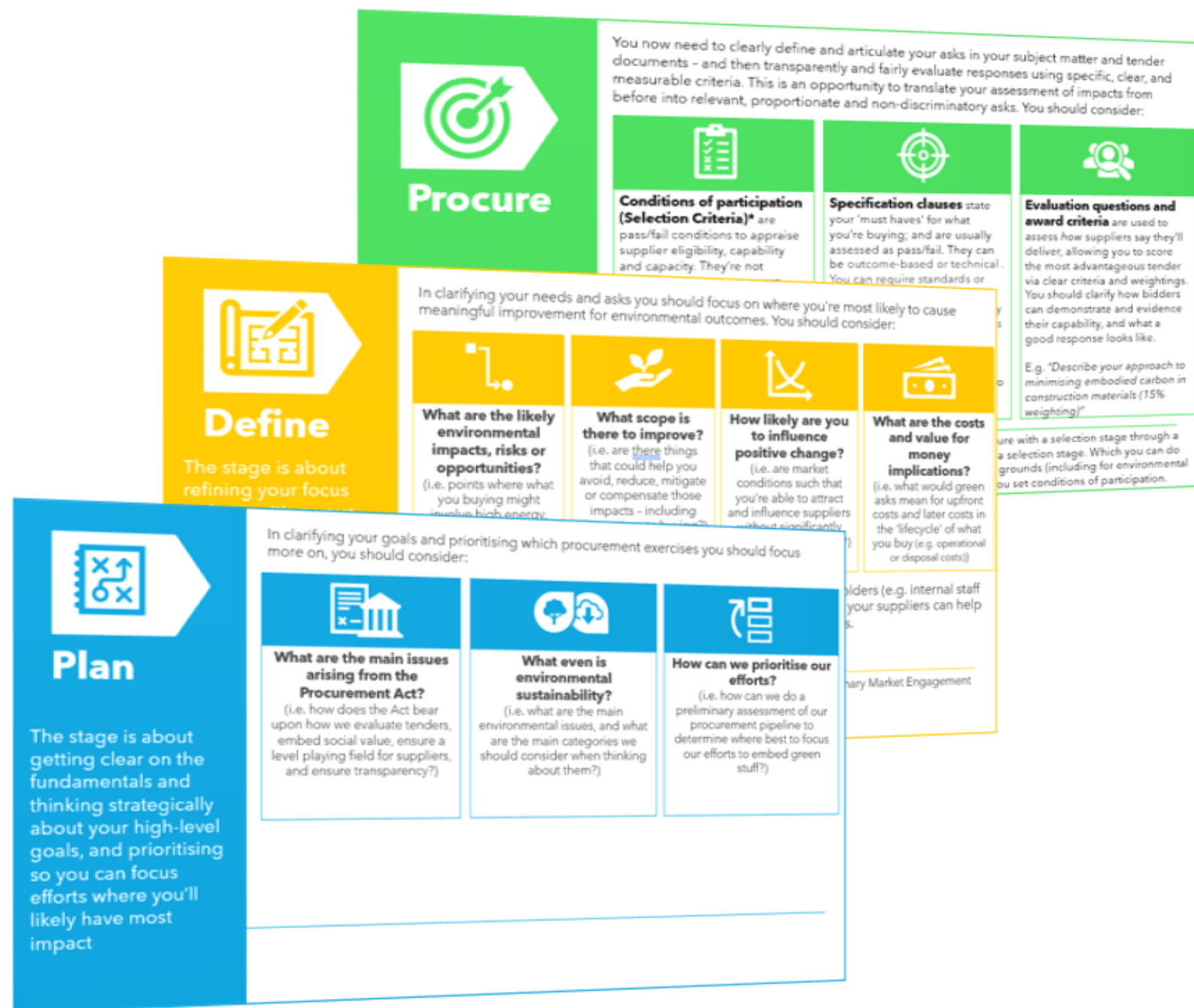
Procure: Embed within your tender



Manage: Managing your contract with KPIs

Each stage outlines practical steps and activities that you can consider whenever you buy things, covering:

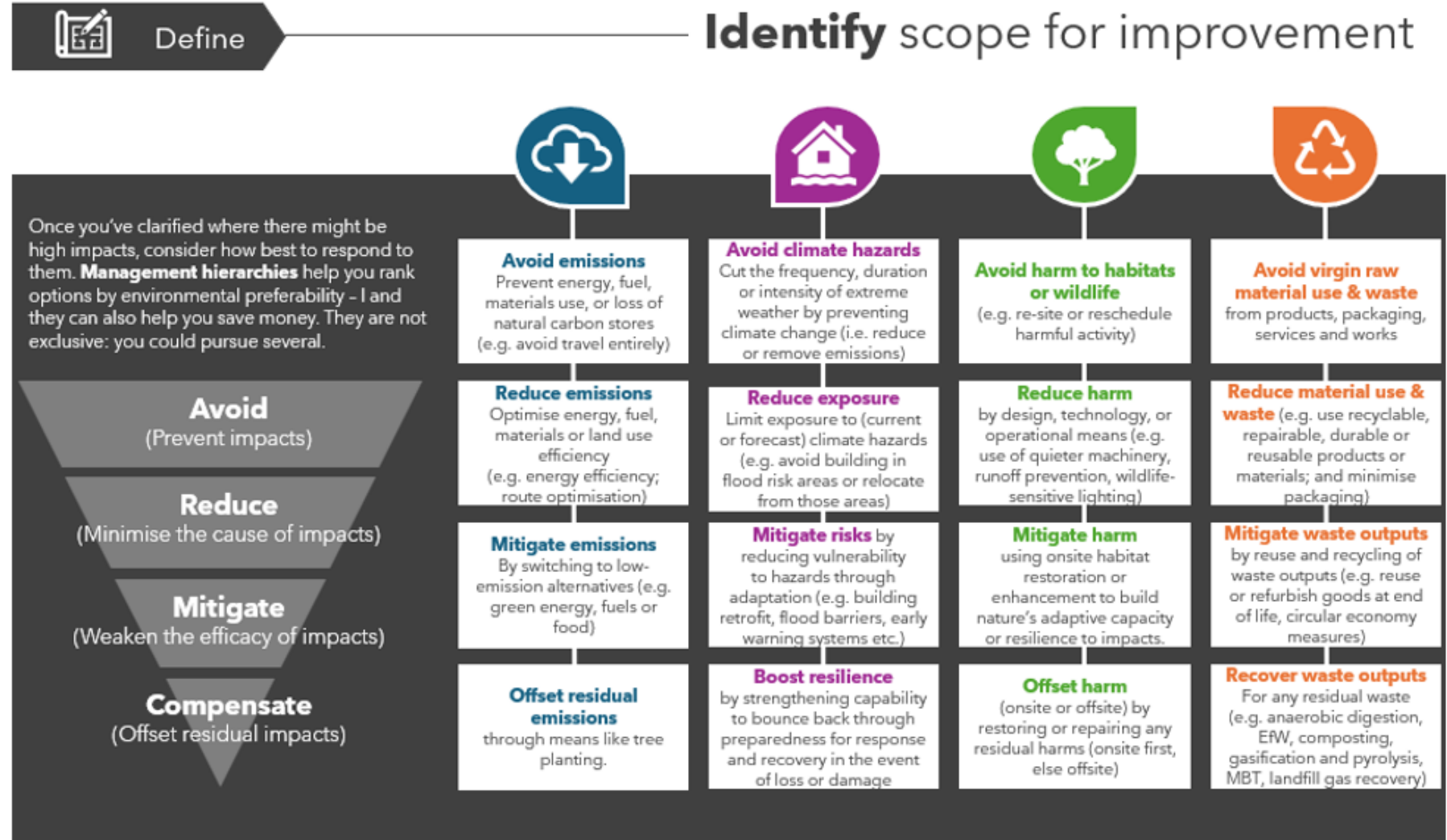
- The **basic concepts**
- How to **prioritise**
- How to **map impacts** and identify things you could do
- How to embed them in your **tenders**
- How to set **KPIs**



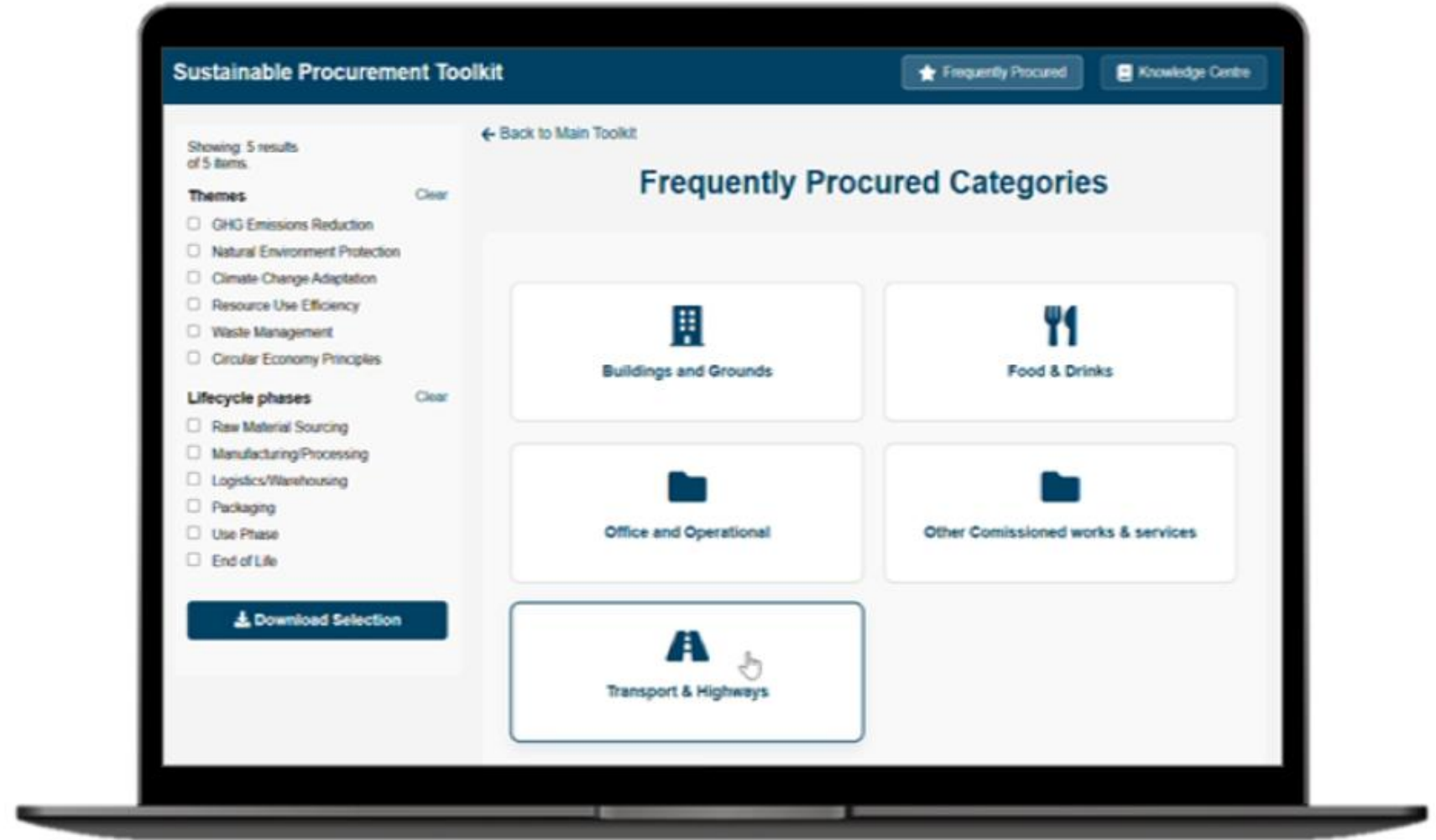
Along the way we introduce concepts like the '**whole lifecycle**', to help you think through possible impacts comprehensively, cradle to grave...



And we guide you through ways to tackle those impacts through ‘**management hierarchies**’, giving you a menu of things to consider applying...



And to save you time, the **digital toolkit** gives you much more category-specific starting guidance on things like requirements, KPIs or standards & labels - so **you don't have to start from scratch.**



If you're interested in **user-testing** it with us, we're keen to shape it so that it's useful for you. Sign up for user testing and we'll get in touch.

Sign up at: <https://forms.office.com/e/0DjCTWQrNE>