

DRAFT CLIMATE ACTION BENEFITS TEMPLATE - JULY 2023

CLIMATE ACTION	CLIMATE BENEFIT	COMMUNITY BENEFIT	POTENTIAL COST ITEMS	OTHER NOTES
Planting trees	Helps to take carbon dioxide out of the atmosphere	Fruit and nut trees also provide us with a better diet	Young trees (“whips”) Rabbit guards	Tree planting is a good communal activity – there is also a biodiversity duty
New allotments	More locally grown fruit and vegetables reduces pollution due to transport (less “food miles”)	Growing our own improves the quality of the food that benefits our health, as well as reducing food cost and providing healthy exercise	Land lease or purchase Install water supply. Install fencing	Rare statutory duty on parish councils to look for allotment sites - see more at The National Allotment Society .
Reducing food waste	Also helps reduce pollution due to transport	Saves on own purchasing – also donating unwanted food helps other people	Venue for community larder or food bank	Can help spread more joy at Christmas – see more at the Trussell Trust
Repair cafe	Reduces carbon emissions from new manufacture, particularly clothing	Repairing and recycling can help save money, and a regular café provide a social meeting place	Venue for regular gathering (village hall?)	A good communal activity, with DIY and sewing roles. Find out more at Repair Cafe
Car sharing and car-pools	Less private car use means less carbon emissions	Also reduces local air pollution which is hazardous to health, and less vehicles on the roads makes them safer	Contact point / website page for car sharers (otherwise more of a cost saver)	More neighbourly contact may help support other volunteering see more at the Parkers website
Home working	Less commuting with less car transport means less carbon emissions	Potentially greater support for local shops and businesses	Home office Home computer and link Work phone	Employers can help with costs, note savings from less travel – see advice at Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service
Local minibus scheme	Reduces the use of private cars, so less emissions	Reduces isolation for people with no transport	Vehicle purchase and maintenance Fuel Insurance	See more at the Community Transport Association
Retrofitting public buildings	Better insulation and local energy production means less carbon emissions	Leading by example, also reduces public building running costs	Insulation Solar panels Heat Pumps	See more at the Centre for Sustainable Energy