

Climate Action Plan

St Marys Primary Pulborough

1 year plan Autumn 2026 – 2027



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Carbon baseline: 230 tCO2e

Calculation:



GET STARTED				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Sign up to the Let's Go Zero campaign By joining this campaign, your school confirms that it is taking action now to reduce its own carbon impact, and that it demands the UK Government help all schools reach this goal by the end of the decade.	Start: July 2025 Review: Annually	LM/SC/Eco council/Diocese	Eco council to be set up in September with a representative from each class. Eco council to calculate our Carbon footprint Miss Callender to lead the Eco Council SBM to oversee from School Business point of view	
Calculate your school's carbon footprint using Count Your Carbon This free digital tool allows you to calculate the carbon footprint for your educational setting.	Start: Review:			Complete
Sign up to the Sustainability Support for Education A DfE-funded project that enables education settings to start or progress on their sustainability journey. This includes all types of settings from Early Years to Higher Education, offering suggested actions paired with quality-assured resources. You can filter these to show suggestions relevant to your setting based on your teaching age, priorities, how far you've progressed already, estate, and more.	Start: Review:			

1. Decarbonisation and Energy Efficiency

Calculating and taking actions to reduce carbon emissions and becoming more energy efficient

ENERGY – BEHAVIOUR CHANGE				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Impact of Decarbonisation boilers on the school site. Look to see how this has improved school consumption of energy.	Start: Sep 26 Review: Sep 27	Premises manager SBM HT	The new boilers are now installed and the SBM. Premises Manager and Eco Council need to be looking at the impact.	
Take part in the Switch Off campaign and have class reps to switch off lights and close doors etc	Start: Sep 26 Review: Sep 27	Eco council PM SBM	Monitor energy usage Feedback at Eco council meetings Set energy appropriately for weekends, evenings and holidays. School to be insulated properly with ceiling and floor insulation. Ensure all computers are turned off for weekends and holidays and this is fed to the staff	
Install more solar panels	Start: Sep 26 Review: Sep 27	Eco council SBM PM	Look at plan for more solar panels to be added Eco council to be involved with this and any meetings Visit to a solar farm with the eco council to look at the impact this can have	

ENERGY – BUILDINGS & INFRASTRUCTURE				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER

Solar panels	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Premises manager SBM HT Eco council	New solar panels to be installed to improve the current provision that we have.	
Install LED lighting when replacing part of the lighting circuits	Start: Sep 26 Review: Sep 27	Premises manager	LED lighting to be considered before anything is replaced Review lighting and the possibility of LED lighting - share findings with Eco Council	

PROCUREMENT				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Look at the services/agencies that we use and consider their environmental practises.	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	SBM	Review all services and add a conversation in about the practises that they carry out. Feedback to Eco council	
Look at having more second hand uniform sales to help with uniform costs. Use of clothing bin to recycle clothes that are not fit for purpose Review uniform policy in line with this	Start: Sep 26 Review: Sep 27	PTA HT/DHT	Half termly sales planned in to support all families and recycle uniform Use the recycling bank to ensure that clothes that are not good enough are recycled. Rewrite the policy on uniform to take this into consideration	
Look at energy efficiency when purchasing any appliances		SBM	When an appliance needs replacing - economy and environment outcomes to be discussed and looked at in more detail.	

FOOD				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Work with new company ISS to ensure that they have a vegan/vegetarian option everyday	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	SBM HT	Termly meeting with ISS to have this as an agenda item Review menus with ISS	
Improve composting around the school and monitor food waste	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Premises manager SBM Eco council	Look at existing composting Eco council to do this and liaise with SBM Look at bins to collect food waste and use composting facilities - use of prefects to do this	

TRANSPORT

ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Run active travel campaigns eg Walk to school week and encourage use of bicycles and scooters to come to school Add a crossing to the outside of school to safeguard and allow children to travel safely.	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	SBM Eco council HT/DHT Teacher	Timetable this in in school diary Look at Travel Plan initiatives Look at improving area for bikes and scooters with posters advertising - Eco Council This is on the plan for July 27 to install through Pulborough Parish Council	
Provide cycling proficiency lessons in school Eg Year 6 Roll out to Year 5 to gain Level 1 as well.	Start: Oct 26 Review: Oct 27	Y6 teachers HT/DHT	October date for Bikeability to happen in Year 6 and Year 5. Review this initiative on school newsletter and promote other initiatives	

WASTE

ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Label bins clearly - ensure bins are labelled and placed well around the school	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Premises manager SBM Eco council	Look at ordering recycled bins to be used Signpost children to them Ensure good labelling	
Ensure we have enough plates and cutlery to wash and reuse	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	SBM/HT Eco council	Check with ISS and staff that we have enough	

Recycling assembly to take place annually to remind the children about what can be recycled	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Eco Council/TC	Termly assembly organized by Eco Council Invite visitors in to talk about this	
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2. Climate adaptation and resilience

Taking actions to reduce the risk of flooding and overheating and to future-proof scarce resources for potential shortages

ADAPTATION AND RESILIENCE				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
St Marys to subscribe to receive UK health alerts	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	SBM/HT to set this up	This to be set up and referred to if needed Plan in place for classes, lessons and regular drink breaks	
Shades to be placed on the school field to help with heatwaves Look at air conditioning or other forms of heat reduction	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	PTA SBM	At PTA Trustee meeting talk about the need for shade. Tesco grant to be applied for SBM to look at planning application - if necessary Look at air conditioning	

WATER				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER

Install and use water butts for the plant watering	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Gardening Club Eco Council SBM/Premises Manager	Audit water butts Ensure they are safe and secure Look at water collection and Eco council to monitor this	
Install half flush measures and check on water consumption to reduce wastage – taps that turn off	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Premises manager SBM	Check taps and water usage Replace taps when needed with water reducing taps Check flush system for water reduction methods	

3. Biodiversity and Green Infrastructure

Creating habitats and adopting practices that will enhance species diversity on the school estate and beyond

NATURE				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Embed the gardening club further with support from Brinsbury College	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Gardening Club Eco Council	Ensure staffing of gardening club Look at links with Brinsbury college to help with beds and watering systems etc	
Use of forest schools to raise the children's awareness of biodiversity Links to Outdoor Classroom work from Mrs Ashton Smith and add to her plans as well.	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Forest Schools DHT/HT	Forest schools timetabled half termly Use of biodiversity and curriculum to reflect this Use outdoor classroom day to help embed this further	

4. Climate Education, Green Skills and Green Careers

Ensuring the education you provide gives knowledge-rich and comprehensive teaching about climate change, and that your teaching staff feel supported to offer this

CULTURE				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Include a statement about sustainability in Governors 3 - 5 year strategic plan	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Governors HT/SBM	Raise at Governor meeting - Resources and Curriculum Implement on the strategic plan Discuss the climate plan at Governors meeting	
Add sustainability projects to the website to raise stakeholders awareness Eg reading shack with water butt, wind turbine and solar panel.	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	HT/FH	Update website Add this plan and projects that we have had running or been involved in - decarbonisation boilers, shack with water butt, wind turbine etc Add the reading shack to Science Plans on renewable sources of energy	

CURRICULUM				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Set up forest schools for this academic year giving children the opportunity to look at biodiversity and sustainability	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	MC Teachers Eco Council HT/DHT	Look at planning for Forest Schools to include these things Forest Schools to work with different year groups Outdoor Classroom days to be used as well	
Teach lessons in all curriculum areas outside as part of 'Teach Active'	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Teachers	Teachers to use and implement Teach Active Teachers to use the school grounds to get children outdoors Teachers to reference sustainability in lessons where it links - link to Platinum Sports Mark Award	

GREEN SKILLS & CAREERS				
ACTION	TIMEFRAME	STAKEHOLDERS	NOTES	TRACKER
Eco council to invite local businesses in to talk about these issues eg recycling, insulation, water usage, heat pumps etc. Renewable Energy to come in and talk about projects TC and SBM to set up.	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	Eco Council	Eco council to look at who to invite and set up a list of dates Reenergise to come and talk	
Careers Day - Ensure there are careers that look at these elements to raise the children's awareness	Start: Sept 26 Review: Sept 27	RHE lead Eco council Teachers	Careers Day to run and think of careers that link with this. Look at sustainability, insulation, green energy etc.	

SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP	
Sustainability Lead:	Lisa Miller/Samantha Copus
Stakeholders / Sustainability Working Group:	- Eco Council - Miss Callender - Paul Hubbard - Premises Manager - XXX - XXX

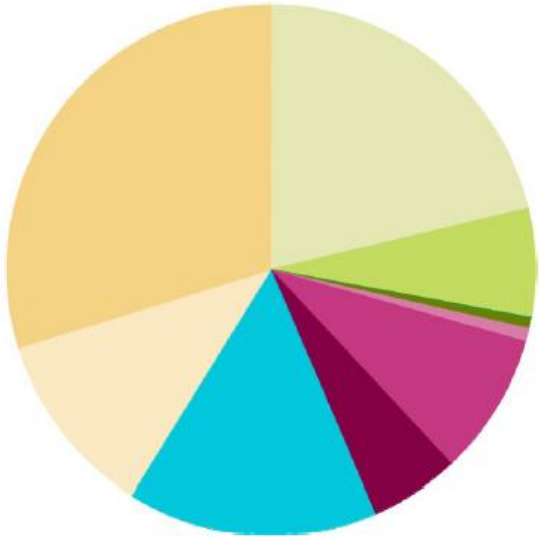
DOCUMENT HISTORY	
Plan Last Reviewed:	Sept 2026
Date of Next Review:	Sept 27

PROGRESS KEY
Not Started
In Progress
Stalled
Complete

Carbon Footprint

Your schools total carbon footprint is estimated to be: 230 tonnes CO₂e per year

Operational area	Emissions area	t co2e*	% of footprint
Energy & Utilities	Fuel Usage	48.9	21%
	Electricity Usage	15.1	7%
	Waste Usage	0.1	0%
	Water Usage	1.4	<1%
Transport	Vehicles	0	0%
	School Trips	1.8	<1%
	Student Commutes	20	9%
	Staff Commutes	12.5	5%
Food & Drink	Meals	35.1	15%
Purchases	Spending	26.1	11%
	Uniforms	69.1	30%





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