

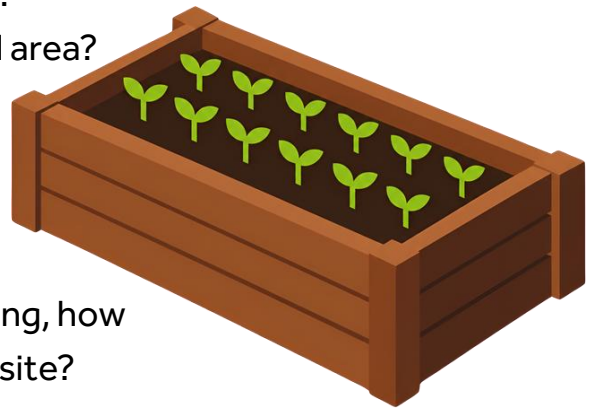


What can you do to help climate action?

Stuck for ideas? Here are some suggestions!

Plant herbs, vegetables or fruit

- Can you do more to grow your own food?
- Could you install raised beds in your local area?
- What could you plant to reduce your supply chain?
- Can you take it in turns to maintain and monitor the site?
- If you don't have enough space for planting, how about creating a communal composting site?



DID YOU KNOW...

Growing your own food can:

- 1.Reduce the associated emissions from transport and storage.
- 2.Improve soil health.
- 3.Reduce the amount of plastic packaging needed.

Bike storage

- Do you have access to a bike?
- Could you cycle to your group meetings?
- Would suitable bike storage help you to reduce car use?



DID YOU KNOW...

According to the [Department for Transport \(2023\)](#) 64% of 11–16-year-olds in England own or have access to a bike.

Zero waste cooking lessons

- What could you make out of your leftover ingredients?
- Do you want learn how to make great tasting meals or snacks from leftover food that would otherwise be thrown away?



DID YOU KNOW...

1. The financial cost of food waste annually in the UK is £250 per person, that's £1000 for a family of four.
2. Food and drink waste in the UK is responsible for roughly 16 million tonnes of GHG emissions.

Build or set up a swap shop



DID YOU KNOW...

The fashion industry accounts for 10% of global greenhouse gas pollution, higher than emissions from air travel!

- Do you have any equipment or clothing that you don't use anymore?
- What could you swap or share with others?
- Could you give your items a second life by holding an exchange event?

Install a rainwater harvesting system

- Can you do more to help conserve water in the summer?
- Can you help reduce the pressure on our drainage systems during heavy rainfall months?
- Could you install a water butt at your site to reduce your consumption of natural resources?



DID YOU KNOW...

In an average year, your roof collects enough water to refill a water butt 450 times.

Fix or mend, don't spend!

- Have you ever wanted to make a small repair to your clothes, games or bike?
- Could you invite a bike company to run a workshop teaching your groups how to fix your bike?
- Why not buy a sewing machine so that you can improve the life of your clothes?

Circular economy is a phrase used to describe reusing products again to prevent them being thrown away.

If you have outgrown your clothes, bikes or games, you could pass them on or sell them once repaired.



What other ideas can YOU think of?!

If you have a project idea that you would like to discuss, please contact our Caring for the Cotswolds grants coordinator rebecca.foster@cotswolds-nl.org.uk



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