

SUSTAINABILITY LEADERSHIP AND CLIMATE ACTION PLANS

By 2025, all education settings will have a nominated sustainability lead and put in place a climate action plan.

[Sustainability leadership and climate action plans in education \(GOV.UK\)](#)



WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

Guidance from the DfE highlights that schools with the greatest success in driving change, implement a holistic action plan, that is led by a knowledgeable, committed team, that is supported by leadership.



HAVING A CLEAR SUSTAINABILITY LEAD AND FOLLOWING A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN WILL HELP YOUR SCHOOL OR ACADEMY TO:

- Boost confidence and expertise among leadership, staff and students in addressing climate change
- Foster a culture of sustainability
- Share best practices
- Improve energy and water efficiency
- Reduce operating costs
- Enhance biodiversity

SUSTAINABILITY LEAD

The sustainability lead is either a group of people, or an individual person within your school central MAT team.

Their role involves developing and implementing the Climate Action Plan.



CLIMATE ACTION PLANS

A climate action plan is a working document that should include data on existing emissions, emission reduction goals, and prioritised actions that can be taken to help achieve these goals. Ideally, a climate action plan should also include an implementation strategy that identifies resources and funding opportunities.

Some free resources to help you get started:

[Creating a Climate Action Plan](#) (The Church of England)

[Climate Action Plan for Schools and Colleges](#) (Friends of the Earth)

RESOURCES

Click on any of the logos to access other available resources to help you create and implement your Climate Action Plan

