

IT MAKES LIFE BETTER

How community climate and nature action makes life better for communities – today and tomorrow

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**LET'S TRANSFORM
BRISTOL. FAST.
FAIRLY. TOGETHER.**

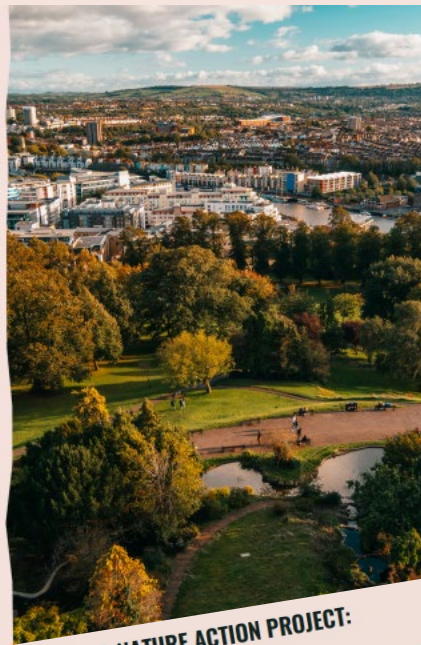
We're Bristol Climate & Nature Partnership, a unique network united by one vision: a zero-carbon, nature-rich, socially just future for our city.

OUR VISION

A zero carbon, socially just Bristol where all our communities and nature thrive.

OUR PURPOSE

To catalyse collective citywide action towards a zero carbon, socially just, and nature-rich Bristol.



OUR VALUES

IMPACT



We are committed to making change happen

COLLABORATION



We love working together

COURAGE



We hold hope and discomfort

WELLBEING



We work sustainably



ENGAGEMENT IN 2024-25

22,981
social media
followers

194
new member
organisations

1,512
attendees
at events,
workshops
& forums

9
Green
Mingles

2,792
newsletter
readers

21,598
website
visits

COMMUNITY CLIMATE & NATURE ACTION PROJECT: IMPACT SO FAR

1,000+
local people
upskilled through
formal training

22
km² of green
space created
or improved

11,000+
local people
engaged

11
city initiatives
strategically
influenced

382
tonnes of CO₂
saved - equivalent
to 2,255 short-haul
return flights!

1,839
trees planted

MEET THE TEAM

Meet the team behind the Partnership's work – collaborating across the city with organisations, communities and local government to reach our vision of a zero-carbon, nature-rich and socially just Bristol and region.



Annual Review 24-25

Our current supporters & funders





So, who are we, and what do we actually do?

We are the region's leading, free membership network for organisations of all sizes, that enables positive change around climate, nature and social justice.

Together we coordinate, collaborate, apply our learnings and successes and, where appropriate, scale and replicate activities effectively and efficiently.

Place-based networks like ours are vital to meet climate targets.*



*[*Governance to Accelerate Net Zero | The British Academy](#)*

Our projects

...from regional strategy to neighbourhood reality

COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION

Pioneering bold and fair
community-led climate action in
Bristol.

GREEN MINGLES & GATHERINGS

Convening and connecting
organisations of all sizes and
sectors across the city.

CLIMATE ACTION PROGRAMME

Supporting organisations to
reduce their carbon emissions,
regardless of their size, sector or
starting point.

MISSION NET ZERO

Supporting progress towards a
more sustainable and inclusive
city.

ONE CITY APPROACH

Working collaboratively with city
partners to accelerate progress
towards our cities climate and
ecological goals.



We **inspire, inform**
and **connect** our
members



We **innovate** and
collaborate across all
sectors



We play a **leadership**
role and **influence**
decision-making



BRISTOL 2015 EUROPEAN GREEN CAPITAL



BristolLive NEWS CITY ROVERS WHAT'S ON MORE

WORLD CUP KICK-OFF: days 00 hours 07 mins 23

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Bristol declares climate emergency and pledges to become carbon neutral by 2030

A demonstration took place outside city hall protesting climate change

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NEWS By **Kate Wilson** Political Editor

co.uk: 7:00, 15 Nov 2018

One City Climate Strategy

BRISTOL ONE CITY

A strategy for a carbon neutral, climate resilient Bristol by 2030



The future must be green and accessible

Bristol's Community of Disabled People's Community Climate Action Plan 2022

Updated in 2025

CHANGING THE STORY

BRISTOL OLDER PEOPLE'S COMMUNITY CLIMATE ACTION PLAN



Inclusive Transport Vision for Bristol July 2024



EU MISSION LABEL

CLIMATE-NEUTRAL & SMART CITIES BRISTOL

MISSION NET ZERO INCLUSION IN ACTION TOOLKIT

Embedding just transition principles into a multi-stakeholder innovation project



From 2025-27 the Partnership will work collaboratively across Bristol and the West of England to catalyse a fast and fair transition to a resilient region.

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COMMUNITY CLIMATE AND NATURE ACTION MODEL

ECOSYSTEM

Place based climate action network to coordinate

- Supportive and engaged local authority
- Strong community anchor organisations
- Climate, nature, and carbon expertise
- Funding and resource
- Collaborative approach across sectors

IMPACT

Wider and deeper climate and nature engagement in diverse communities

Communities are contributing to climate and nature recovery

Community climate and nature action is recognised as an essential strategic approach

A more just and inclusive society with better quality of life for citizens

OUTCOMES

Communities are inspired and supported to take climate action with social benefits

A lever for national investment

Investment into existing structures and organisations

An enabling environment for other climate and nature action to receive support

Increased community resilience to climate and societal changes

ACTIVITIES

A pipeline of community-led projects ready for investment and expansion

Network of community and equalities organisations

Pipeline of investable community climate projects

Insights from communities shape wider strategic policy and decision making

A wide range of people are engaged in climate action

Creative engagement activities

Community climate action plans

Community leadership panel

Plan priorities provide a mandate for climate and nature action

A collective of partners delivering climate and nature action which benefits local communities

Culture change in climate sector, local authority, voluntary and community organisations and citizens

FOUNDATIONS

Community organisations supported via capacity building programme to build knowledge, confidence and resilience.

Impact in numbers

Over five years:

18,300

people took part in local climate and nature action

550+

community activities delivered

14

strategic city projects influenced

50-75%

project participants new to climate action (rising to 75 -100% for some community groups)

17

community climate and nature action plans co-produced and progressed, working with:

-  Local residents from neighbourhoods across the city, including many in areas of high deprivation
-  Disabled people
-  Asylum seekers and refugees
-  Under-represented young creatives
-  Cricket fans across the region
-  Older people
-  Women aged 40+ from marginalised communities

Over £4.3 million

of additional funding leveraged for Bristol

“I’m most proud of supporting women from less represented communities – many of whom have experienced significant life challenges and trauma – in turning their ideas, big or small, into something real and empowering. Together, we co-created the One Green Kitchen climate action plan, a project that not only amplifies their voices but also places them at the heart of local climate and wellbeing solutions.”

– Anne Su One Green Kitchen

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creative commissions delivered



Impact in numbers

Over three years, six on-the-ground community-led projects achieved:

Reduction of

382 tonnes CO₂

the equivalent of 2,255 short haul return flights, planting 3,294 trees or heating 156 homes for a year

12,500⁺kg

compost generated

22km²

of green spaces created or improved

1,840kg

food grown

1,842

trees planted



700~

people received energy advice

800~

people adopted energy efficiency measures

1,244

people received skills training

124

qualifications gained

32

sustainable businesses created and 16 new jobs created

33

work placements



What climate & nature action means to Hartcliffe?

**Kirsty Tait
Heart of BS13**



How does Really Wild Lockleaze benefit the whole neighbourhood?

Melissa Blackburn
Lockleaze Neighbourhood Trust



**How does CCNA benefit Bristol's
community of Disabled people?**

**Emma Geen
Climate & Disability Advocate**



How can the transition create new opportunities in the creative sector?

Euella Jackson
Film Producer
former CoDirector Rising Arts

A close-up shot of a woman with a surprised or questioning expression. She is wearing a blue headwrap and a yellow and black beaded necklace. The background is blurred, showing an indoor setting with a lamp and a painting.

What do you need us to do?

THANK YOU

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