



CLIMATE ACTION PLAN: Beechen Cliff School

DATE: July 2025 **NEXT REVIEW:** July 2026

	Action	Who?	By when	Comments
Sustainability Fundamentals	Start your sustainability journey			
	Decide who will be the school's Sustainability Lead	Headteacher (TDM)	June 2025	
	Initial Climate Action Plan Meeting	Headteacher (TDM)	June 2025	Draft action plan
		Sustainability Lead (ASA)		
	Sign your school up to the Let's Go Zero campaign for free advice and guidance on creating your Climate Action Plan.	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	July 2025	Sign up process to be completed Training webinars and lots of support available if needed. To be investigated.





Decarbonisation	Energy and Buildings				
	Switch off campaign. Discuss at staff meetings and get pupils involved. Monitor before and after using Energy Sparks data.	School Sustainability Lead (ASA) Site Manager (GRW)	Nov 2025	Switch Off Fortnight 2025 will be taking place in November from the 11th to the 24th. (Input from ASA, GRW and Sixth Formers and Year 7 pupils)	
	Monitor energy use on a regular basis by logging onto your school Energy Sparks account or via the ESOS portal.	Site Manager (GRW) Sustainability Lead (ASA)	Ongoing	May need support from a range of staff to access data. Contact Rachel Dodgson rdodgson@msnpartnership.com at the Trust if support is needed.	
	Implement a power-down strategy for electric devices, e.g. sleep settings on computers and projectors and air conditioning/electrical heating units.	IT Lead (DWI)	In place Review by Nov 2025	Staff PCs at 5.30pm. Pupils at 4.30pm. Can this be extended further, saving more energy?	
	Check that your building/s management and heating systems are running efficiently and correctly.	Site Manager (secondary)	Ongoing	May need support from the Trust. Contact snel@msnpartnership.com	
	Carry out a programme of lamp replacement until all are LED, install motion sensors where feasible and where these would be effective.	Site Manager (secondary)	Ongoing	May need support from the Trust. Contact dharding@msnpartnership.com	
	Ensure that thermostats are not set above recommended 18°C degrees.	Site Manager Office Manager	September 2025	You may need support from central estates team, contact snel@msnpartnership.com	





Decarbonisation	Transport				
	Work with the "Safer Routes to School" initiative to encourage walking and cycling.	Travel Plan Lead (CMH)	Ongoing	https://www.sustrans.org.uk/for-professionals/education/	
		Sustainability Lead (ASA)	Dec 2025	Travel plan to achieve 'good' status by December 2025	
	Join in with "Walk to School Week"	Travel Plan Lead (CMH)	May 2026	https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/walk-to-school/pri m ary-schools/walk-to-school-week/	
	Liaise with CMH about travel plan with modeshift stars	Sustainability Lead (ASA)		Should take place in May 2026	
	Area storage of bikes (Increase capacity)	Site Manager (GRW)	In place. Additional ones to be installed July 2025	Located out the front of the main building in view of CCTV.	
	"Act on Idling" Encourage car driving visitors to switch off engines during pick up/drop off to reduce air pollution. Banner in place	Headteacher (TDM)	In place.	https://schoolstreets.org.uk/	
	Investigate "School Streets Initiative"	Sustainability Lead ASA)	Nov 2025	Travel plan to achieve 'good' status by December 2025	





Decarbonisation	Food and Waste				
	Dispose of food waste in designated bins in the kitchen/refectory/staffroom	Site Manager (GRW)	Insert date	Dealt with already in catering kitchens but might be needed elsewhere, eg staffroom	
	Encourage pupils and their families to join win with Food Waste Action Week.	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	Mar 2026	https://www.wrap.ngo/take-action/love-food-hate-w a ste/food-waste-action-week	
	Newsletter piece from sustainability group			Scheduled to take place 2nd to 8th March 2026	
	Encourage use of reusable water bottles to Headteacher(Nov 2025 reduce single use plastic. TDM) / Sustainability	Alongside BCS Cop 2025			
	Pupil initiative on recycling - tutor programme. Plastics only bins first.	Lead (ASA)			
	Repair workshop to be held	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	By July 2026	Repair Shops - https://therestartproject.org/about/ https://menssheds.org.uk/	
				Donation Football Boots - https://charityboots.org	
	PTA to run pre-loved uniform sales throughout the year	РТА	Three by July 2026	Uniform swapping - https://www.climateeducation.co.uk/2024/09/02/ ho w-to-set-up-a-school-uniform-swap-shop/	
	Run a "Plastic Free Challenge" to see how long an individual/class can go without using single-use plastic.	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	By July 2026		
	Contact suppliers to see if they offer recycling of their used items.	Sustainability Lead	December 2025	Board marker recycling - partner with local company, Tom's Studio - hello@tomsstudio.co.uk who collect used plastic pens and markers and recycle them into new pens.	





Biodiversity	Nature			
	Creating tree planting areas for shade or improve ground stability and protect the future environment.	Sustainability Lead (ASA) Grow for Life Lead (JCU)	Ongoing	The Woodland Trust - https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/support-us/act /yo ur-school/ Some complete in 2024/25 - ongoing.
	Create and maintain a school allotment	Grow for Life Lead (JCU)	Ongoing	Underway in the bungalow garden. Could extend behind the Science block.
	Make and/or Install "insect hotels" - sustainability group activity.	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	October 2025	

Adaptation & Resilience	Water			
	Join in with Water Week	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	By June 2026	https://jointhepod.org/campaigns/water-week
	Install a water butt to capture rainwater for school plants behind Science.	Site Manager (GRW)	By June 2026	https://waterwise.org.uk/campaign/water-saving-week/





Climate (Green skills and careers)	Curriculum and green skills			
	Create a student climate action group (after school club)	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	Sept 2025	https://carbonliteracy.com/ https://www.twinkl.co.uk/blog/the-ultimate-toolb ox-f or-starting-an-eco-club-in-school
	Year 7 Ignite Day based around sustainable careers	Deputy Headteacher (AJS)	Nov 2025	
	Sustainability activity day for Activities Week 2026	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	July 2026	
	Regular input in the newsletter from the action group	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	Ongoing Termly	
	Hold a film screening of David Attenborough's "Climate Change - The Facts"	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	By Dec 25	https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episodes/m00049b 1/c limate-change-the-facts
	Host a "Mock COP" ahead of COP 30 at the end of 2025.	Sustainability Lead (ASA)	19th November 2025	https://interclimate.org/ COP 30 takes place 10 November to 21 November. Mock COP event on 19th November 2025
	Engage with local decision-makers to advocate for more action from councils and governments. Invite local MP into school to meet with your student climate action group and attend the Mock COP	Headteacher (TDM)	Insert date	https://members.parliament.uk/FindYourMP Invite VHO to Mock COP 30





Key dates:

- W/C November 3rd 2025 Tutor schedule and assembly contributions for Switch Off Fortnight 2025 and COP 2025.
 - o COP 30 2025 November 10th to November 21st 2025 BCS COP 2025 Wednesday 19th Nov 5-7pm
 - o Switch Off Fortnight 2025 November 11th to November 24th 2025
- W/C 23rd February 2026 Tutor schedule contributions for Food Waste Week.
 - o Food Waste Week March 2nd to March 8th 2026
- W/C 5th May 2026 Tutor schedule contributions for Walk to School Week.
 - Walk to School Week May 2026

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