

Activity	Priority Area linked to	Contribution to climate change
Community Garden support at Fort Amherst	PA 8 Green and Blue Infrastructure	Global food production is a huge contributor to climate change. By growing your own food and supporting the public's access to grow their own food, you can support a reduction in emissions and harmful farming practices.
Community garden support at Strood Youth Centre	PA 8 Green and Blue Infrastructure	<p>Global food production is a huge contributor to climate change. By growing your own food and supporting the public's access to grow their own food, you can support a reduction in emissions and harmful farming practices.</p> <p>Furthermore, teaching young people about gardening is important as we are increasingly separated from how our food is produced. Supporting young people having these opportunities and skills will allow them to continue to use their skills at home, and in their future homes, further reducing emissions in the future.</p>
Bulb or whip (tree) planting	PA 8 Green and Blue Infrastructure	Plants and trees absorb CO ₂ , helping to reduce emissions in the atmosphere.
Litter picking	PA 8 Green and Blue Infrastructure	Much of the waste and plastic that is not recycled ends up in our waterways and oceans. This poses a danger to our aquatic life. The biodiversity found in rivers supports the health of the ecosystem. In Medway, we have many wetland habitats, which are one of the best natural solutions to climate change, as they can absorb and store carbon dioxide. They are even more effective than trees are. Ensuring that no litter enters the river and damages our ecosystem is important to support Medway's natural climate solutions.
Content creation and website development for local Eco-Hub groups	PA10 Communications	The education on climate change and normalisation of sustainable practices is important to support the Medway community to reduce their carbon footprints.
Volunteer with local friends of groups, maintaining greenspaces	PA 8 Green and Blue Infrastructure	Our friends of greenspaces group in Medway do fantastic work to ensure the health of our parks and green spaces. Maintenance of these green spaces supports the biodiversity of the area. Ensuring that the local habitat is suitable and thriving for our pollinators helps to support natural climate solutions.

The activities below require advance organisation		
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Repair café		The waste hierarchy outlines how best waste should be dealt with. Reduce and reuse are above recycling in the hierarchy, and should therefore be undertaken before disposing of an item. Repair cafes will help the Medway community learn skills to repair their items, so that they don't have to dispose of them, or will offer them a chance to have their item repaired for them if they are unable to do them themselves. By repairing something, you are preventing a new item needing to be bought, preventing the emissions of that new item (once the demand is lowered, less items will be produced). Furthermore, the disposal of many items required energy, so you are preventing that energy needing to be used, preventing further emissions.
Clothes swaps		Fashion has a huge detrimental impact on the environment and is a huge source of emissions. By shopping second hand, people can mitigate their clothes impact on the environment. Cloth swaps give people a chance to refresh their wardrobe, removing the items they don't wear anymore and replacing them with new items, without costing the planet. This helps to reduce emissions by preventing new emissions being created during the manufacturing of new clothing (when demand is reduced through the normalisation of shopping second hand), and by reducing the energy associated with the disposal of clothing.
School assemblies on particular campaigns (like Kent Air Week, where there's a pollution petrol pack)	PA10 Communications	The education on climate change and normalisation of sustainable practices is important to support the Medway community to reduce their carbon footprints. Furthermore, involving young people in the conversation is a core component of climate action, as they are the future and will face the highest impacts from climate change.