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- Address climate change-related mental health issues and eco-anxiety
- Use data to identify and prioritise action
- Improve energy and water efficiency
- Calculate your carbon emissions and identify ways to reduce them
- Reduce operating costs
- Start adapting to the impacts of climate change and increase resilience
- Enhance biodiversity
- Help learners develop skills and knowledge which help them to contribute to sustainability and climate change in their lives and future jobs

Schools that act now will be better prepared for the challenges of climate change and will contribute to a more sustainable future for West Sussex communities.

For more information on designing and implementing your climate action plan, please see [the guide](#) included in this edition of Education Matters, or access local support from the [Wastebuster Schools Waste and Climate Education Programme](#), provided by the West Sussex Waste Partnership.