

BOLTON'S ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY TOOLKIT



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What exactly is sustainability?

Sustainability means using resources wisely so people, businesses, and the planet can thrive — now and in the future.

What is Net Zero?

"Net Zero" means cutting greenhouse gas emissions as much as we can and balancing out the rest by taking an equal amount out of the atmosphere — for example, by planting trees, capturing carbon, or restoring peatlands. The goal is simple: make sure what we put into the air doesn't make climate change worse.

Why does sustainability matter for Bolton?

Bolton Council declared a Climate Emergency in 2019 and aims to reach net zero by 2030. Climate change is already bringing milder, wetter winters, hotter, drier summers, and more extreme weather. Events like the 2018 Winter Hill fires, flooding in 2020–21, and the 2022 extreme heat warning show urgent action is needed.

Who can take part?

Any voluntary, community, or social enterprise organisation in Bolton that wants to make a positive environmental impact.

What is the Eco Toolkit?

Turn Up the Value is putting together an Environmental Sustainability Support Package for Bolton's VCSE sector. It's designed to make taking climate action easier and practical, with:

TRAINING

Boost your knowledge and confidence

MENTORING

Get one-to-one guidance tailored to your organisation

EVENTS

Connect with others and celebrate your sustainability successes

TOOLKIT

A handy collection of tips and resources to reduce your environmental impact and embed sustainable practices



Why should Bolton's VCSE sector get involved?

FOR THE PLANET

Take action to reduce your environmental impact and help tackle climate change — every bit counts!

FOR BOLTON

Help make our borough greener, healthier, and a better place for everyone to live and work.

FOR YOUR ORGANISATION

Showing your commitment to sustainability can boost funding applications.

