Climate Friendly BoA Action plan: March 2026

Vision – Bradford on Avon to be a community that does not rely on fossil fuels and carries out sustainable and resilient lifestyles

Objectives: We do this by working with our local councils to help make changes happen on the ground (eg planting, wider footpaths) and by enabling and supporting local people, businesses and other organisations to make more environmentally positive choices which:

- decarbonise and reduce personal and work-based energy use, and support community energy (Energy)
- reduce waste, re-use and refill wherever possible, recycle as a last resort. Repair items rather than buy new (Zero Waste)
- restore nature and increase biomass and biodiversity (Biodiversity, Swift and House Martin)
- concentrate on local/UK seasonable and fairly traded food & drink, sustainably sourced (Sustainable Food and Drink)
- promote and support sustainable travel (Sustainable Transport)
- participate in and comment on consultations on climate and environmental matters in our town and unitary councils (Neighbourhood Plan)
- engage the public through talks, discussion and events (Community Involvement and Families)
- when choosing where put our energies assess first if impact is low, moderate or high (all)

We will also: -lobby MPs and Government, our local councils, to hold them to account (each group as appropriate)

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Community Invovement group Objectives

- Organise meetings with knowledgeable speakers about initiatives and issues to do with climate and nature, with Q&A and discussion. Inform and involve a wide audience through the variety of talks available. *CFBoA was founded in 2006, this year is our 20th.*
- Give publicity to National climate and nature initiatives. Join in lobbying of MPs on nature and climate. Show National Emergency Briefing film with facilitated discussion.
- Show climate films. Publish monthly newsletter, maintain CFB website, CFB social media. Have CFB presence at other events locally.

	Projects	Actions for each Project / Campaign	Timeline	Who	Impact measure - how will we know
1.1	**Monthly meeting Quaker Meeting House BA15**	Collect suggestions for speakers, and ask Action group leads for their suggestions. Choose programme and publicise. Arrange meeting usually 3rd Monday in the month.	Monthly not August	Jill Rowena and CIG	Not less than 15 people attend (average of 3 meetings), engaged in Q&A / discussion for 10-15 minutes or more. *In 2025 these criteria were met. Biggest audiences were 30 to 40.*
1.2	**Tips for positive action**	Posting of ECO INSPO Fridays on CFBoA facebook, one per fortnight, with its impact/benefit or a link to explore the tip in more depth.		Jill and others	That we regularly get a wide variety of positive action tips out there. *Yes*
2	**Climate action pop-up hubs**	CFB paid project to deliver 10 climate action pop-up hubs, in places where people meet and gather, such as: end of school day Fitzmaurice School, BoA Thursday Market, BoA Join in, ecozone Christchurch May Fayre, Holy Trinity street fair	March to July	Vicky	Increased participation / expression of views re current local climate initiatives
3.	**Climate Films**	Thurs 21 May 2026 7pm showing of National Emergency Briefing film + structured discussion. Our MP Brian Mathew has confirmed he will attend. Other films have been suggested to us to show.	During 2026	CIG group or Coord group	Not less than 15 people attend (average of 3 films), engaged in Q&A/discussion for10-15 mins or more. *2025 audiences of 12-16 people + strong discussion. We recommend "Water is Love: Ripples of Regeneration" shows how projects brought back rivers to flow through dried up areas.*

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4.1	**Events with wider outreach:**	**Wild Waters Festival** 30 May to 30 June 2026 Screening of documentary “Thank you for the Rain” + short video from fairtrade farmers in Kenya. In St Margarets Hall.(lead: Jill and Rowena) Discussion Forum “Taking Water for Granted”. In St Margarets Hall (lead: Kate) BoA library, Art display, and Art activity for children (Jill and Alex) “Wildlife of the River” evening walk along river Avon BoA, max 20 people (Rowena)	10 June 18 June 6-13 June late June	Kate Nottage Alex Kay Jill Rowena Rachael	Numbers attending depend on the location or are specific to the event eg a walk. The climate or nature issue specific to the event in question is clearly shown / given to people attending.
4.2		**Great Big Green Week** in Bradford on Avon and locally -this will include the above events if in or close to GBGW dates	6 to 14 June 2026	CIG or other action groups	
4.3		CFBoA presence at other summer events such as Bradford on Avon Join In Saturday 6 June Holy Trinity Summer Fair in early July		CIG or other action groups	