

## Climate and Nature (CAN) Champion

### Role Description

#### Purpose

The Climate and Nature (CAN) Champion acts as the local council's key point of contact and advocate for environmental sustainability, biodiversity, and climate resilience. This voluntary role supports the council in identifying, promoting, and coordinating local action on climate and nature priorities.

#### Key Responsibilities

- **Liaison & Communication**
  - Serve as the council's link to local, regional, and national environmental initiatives.
  - Share relevant updates, funding opportunities, and best practices with the council and community.
  - Represent the council at climate and nature forums, workshops, and events.
- **Community Engagement**
  - Encourage local participation in climate and nature projects (e.g. tree planting, biodiversity surveys, energy-saving schemes).
  - Promote awareness of environmental issues through newsletters, social media, and community events.
  - Act as a listening post for residents' concerns and ideas related to the environment.
- **Project Support**
  - Help identify and support local projects that contribute to climate mitigation, adaptation, and nature recovery.
  - Work with councillors, clerks, and community groups to develop and deliver initiatives.
  - Monitor progress and share outcomes with the council and wider community.

#### Desirable Qualities

- Passion for environmental and climate issues
- Good communication and organisational skills
- Ability to work collaboratively with a range of stakeholders
- Willingness to learn and stay informed on relevant topics

## Time Commitment

Flexible and voluntary. Champions are encouraged to attend occasional training sessions and an annual networking event.

## Support

Champions will receive:

- Access to a Climate and Nature Champion Toolkit
- Invitations to training and networking events
- Regular updates from the coordinating body (e.g. county association or climate partnership)