



# DORSET CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK (DCAN)



Dorset CAN  
Climate Action Network

# Our Vision for DORSET

- ▶ Aware of the urgency of the climate and nature emergency, our vision is for:





# VISION

- **Net Zero Carbon Dorset**
- **Bright Blue Dorset**
- **Wild Green Dorset**



# VISION

- **Locally Fed Dorset**
- **Community Centred Dorset**
- **Sparkling Clean Dorset**

# MISSION



*Our mission is to build and sustain an open, accessible and flexible network and alliance of individuals and organisations.*

# MISSION

- To put climate and ecological awareness at the heart of all decision-making and provide a voice for all who care about these issues.
- To serve as an inspirational and creative agency for change, working with parish and town councils and community organisations to generate policies and grass-roots actions which promote our Vision.
- To act as a positive partner and critical friend of Dorset Council, BCP Council and all other stakeholders.

## Members can join Teams

- ❖ Action Team
- ❖ Facilitation Team
- ❖ Advocacy Team
- ❖ Energy Team
- ❖ Land Use Team
- ❖ Media Team
- ❖ Questions Team
- ❖ Events Team
- ❖ Transport Team
- ❖ Waste Team



A close-up photograph of a vibrant blue butterfly with a yellow patch on its thorax, perched on a white daisy flower. The background is softly blurred, showing other daisies and green foliage. The image is part of a graphic design with green geometric shapes on the right side.

## ***PROJECTS FOR 2022***

- ❖ The Great Big Dorset Hedge
- ❖ Dorset Deserves Better Campaign
- ❖ Dorset Council's CEES
- ❖ Greener Open Homes Festival Oct 1-9
- ❖ Henry the Hedgehog's Grand tour
- ❖ Stalls at events and online gatherings



## *Join in one of our public-facing events:*

- ❖ Food production alternatives
- ❖ Restoring Nature's Network (NE and FWAG)
- ❖ Dorset National Park
- ❖ **Positive Tipping Points: with Prof. Tim Lenton Chair in Climate Change & Earth System Science, University of Exeter & Director of the Global Systems Institute.**

**Monday, 28th March, 7 - 8.30pm on ZOOM**

**[www.dorsetcan.org](http://www.dorsetcan.org)**

# The Great Big Dorset Hedge(GBDH)

Imagine a *Great Big Dorset Hedgerow*, made up of a network of connected, well managed hedgerows, stretching across Dorset, north to south and east to west, so that every community has an opportunity to get involved.



# The Great Big Dorset Hedge

We want the initiative to catch people's imagination and for it to take shape alongside the hedgerow.



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Imagine gaps or lost connections in the *GBDH* being planted up, in many cases by local groups with young and old working side by side, connected by a common desire to see more hedges and trees in Dorset.



# The Great Big Dorset Hedge

Imagine the *GBDH* helping people to feel more connected with the places where they live and work, with the natural world, and with their communities through a shared scheme that actively helps nature recovery in Dorset.



# The Great Big Dorset Hedge

Imagine helping communities to plant and look after more hedgerow trees in the *GBDH*, encouraging them to talk about them, to celebrate their companionship and the many benefits they bring us and the natural world.



# The Great Big Dorset Hedge

There is no defined, preferred or single route for the *GBDH*. In fact the more wandering and diverse its routes, the better for a network of natural connections.

It might take a generation for it to stretch the length and breadth of the county.



# The GBDH Strategy

Working with existing local groups, Town & Parish Councils, countryside agencies and conservation bodies

Producing promotional materials suitable for a variety of media and audiences.

Developing a hedgerow layer for a suitable mapping system

Helping link planting groups to suitable funding sources.



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