



**ACT Now project update in the MAKI area.**

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**working with Argyll's people to make the most of our environment.**

## **ACT Now**

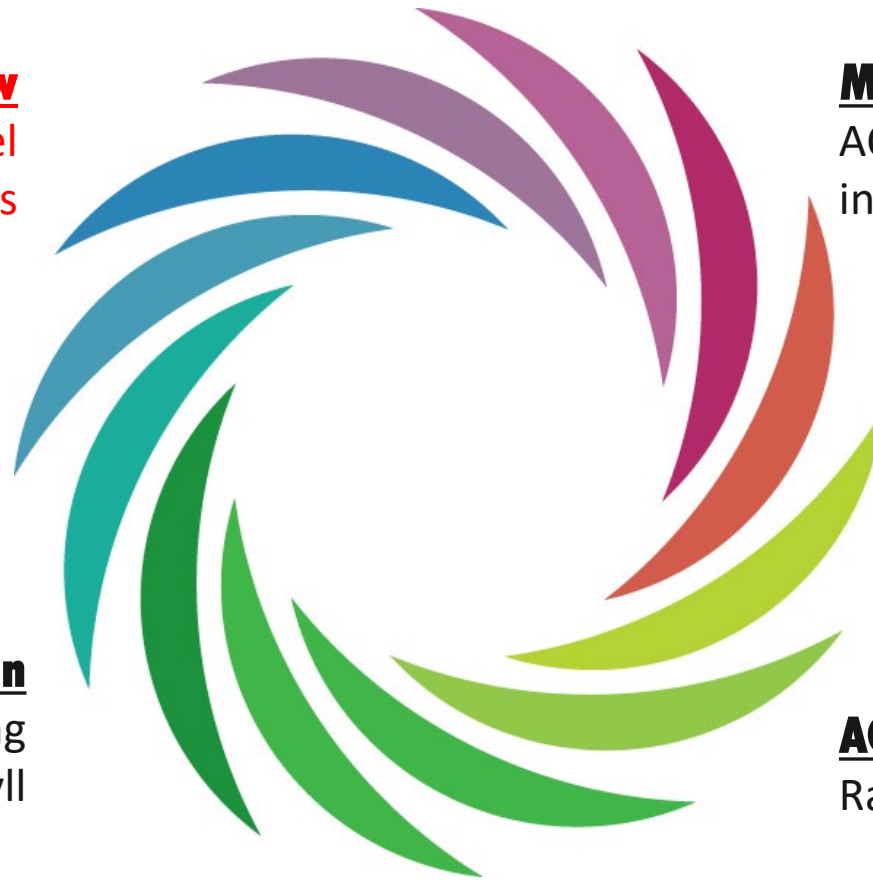
Climate Change Awareness, active travel  
and workshops

## **ACT Peatland**

Community-led restoration of a  
precious natural resource on Islay

## **Branching Out and Moving On**

Outdoors health and wellbeing  
programmes across Argyll



## **MAKI Pups**

ACT's outdoor nursery for 3-5 year olds in an  
inspiring setting

## **ACT Rainforest**

Improving and expanding our unique  
rainforest and native woodland  
habitat

## **ACT@Blarbuie**

Ranger and community woodland activities

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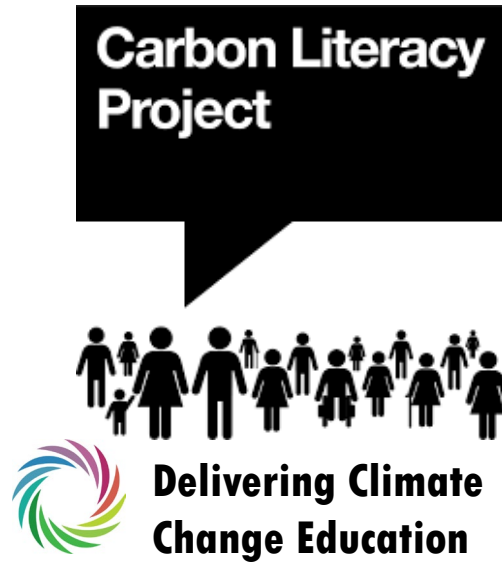
# Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust.

Community led. Established in 2014. SCIO 44733.

- To care for and enhance our unique natural environment.
- To give people opportunities to experience, learn in and be inspired by nature.
- To encourage investment in Argyll's natural capital to support our economy.
- To increase opportunities for employment, skills development and volunteering in our environment.

Act has a Board of up to 12 trustees, 20 Advisors and over 400 members. We aim to keep our activities relevant, local and sustainable.

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*The ACT Now Project exists to support Argyll and Bute communities adopt strategies to tackle climate change*

- Free accredited Carbon Literacy Training was made available to all Argyll and Bute residents.
- reCycle, in Mid Argyll, delivers free refurbished bicycles and training to all ages and abilities to support uptake in sustainable transport.
- We encourage car use reduction through education, online resources, and practical support.

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## Carbon Literacy Participant individual action in 2022

*My family and I are not going to have a personal family car for as long as we can...My wife and I and two children have bikes and we have a great commute route for shops etc using the Crinan Canal towpath. There is limited access to public transport but we can use this when needed.*

*I have calculated that this one decision will mean a reduction of just under 2 tCO<sub>2</sub>e every year from my household..*

*Although I mostly work from home my job role requires that I travel from time to time and so I will have access to a workplace car 1 day per week for any necessary travel.*

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# Reconditioning Bikes for use by the Mid Argyll Community

- reCycle is a scheme which takes donated bicycles, reconditions the bicycle to a safe and useable standard, and then provides this bicycle for free to Mid Argyll residents who apply.
- The main aim of this scheme is to encourage people to cycle as part of their everyday short journeys.

reCycle  
community  
bicycle scheme



- Since scheme launched in April 2022 over 60 bikes have been provided to applicants.
- Travel diaries and feedback indicate that, on average, users of the bicycles are saving 0.25 tCO2e every year.
  - In addition participants report health and financial benefits.
- Over 1400kg of unused bicycles (and parts) diverted from landfill.

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## **ACT Now. Delivering climate change education and promoting positive action to members of the following groups throughout Argyll and Bute**

- Allenergy
- Ardrishaig Community Council
- Ardrishaig Community Garden
- Argyll and Bute Council
- Arrochar and Tarbert Community Development Trust
- Cairndow Community Council
- Cardross Climate Action Network
- Carr Gomm
- Colintrave and Glendaruel development Trust
- Colintrave Community Council
- Cove and Kilcreggan Community Council
- Cove Park
- Dunoon Community Council
- DWS Associates
- Green Action Trust
- Innovate Rural
- Isle of Jura Development Trust
- Kilchoan Estate
- Kilmartin Museum
- Mull and Iona Community Trust
- Nature Scot
- Oban Community Council
- Sandbank Community Development Trust
- Sustainable Tayvallich
- Tarbert and Skipness Community Trust
- The Grab Trust
- Time for Change
- Tiree Community Development Trust



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Looking ahead & under  
development



**Climate change training for Argyll & Bute children  
& young people**

Developing climate knowledge, promoting positive action,  
and fostering resilience in a changing world

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Questions or comments?

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Invite to all Councillors

ACT drop in afternoon - Friday 12th May 1pm

- 4pm

MAKI Pups

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