A GUIDE TO USING CANVA TEMPLATES

To help you get the word out about your local Green Week or events this September, we've made some templates that you can use to create your own posters, flyers and social media posts.

The templates are accessible through the free website 'Canva' - follow our guide to learn how to use Canva and the templates to promote your local Green Week and events.

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There are a range of editable templates available for you to create social media posts and posters to promote your local Green Weeks and events.

These are all available in our Communications Pack for Organiser, and can be found here:

EVENT PROMOTION

- Social media template
  - option 1
  - option 2

- Poster template
  - option 1
  - option 2

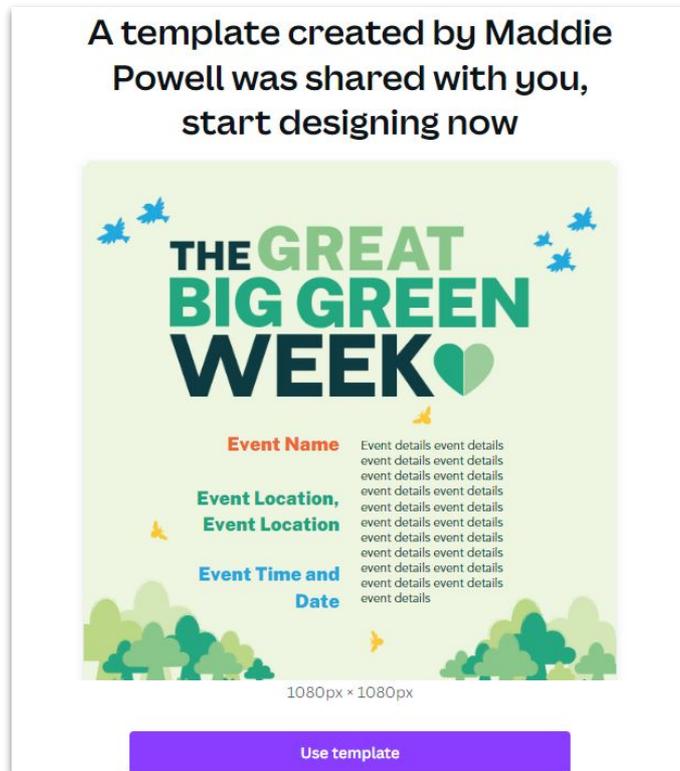### GREEN WEEK PROMOTION

- Social media template
- Poster template

Getting started

Once you open one of the links to the templates it will open a page like this:

A template created by Maddie Powell was shared with you, start designing now

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Event Name

Event Location, Event Location

Event Time and Date

Event details event details
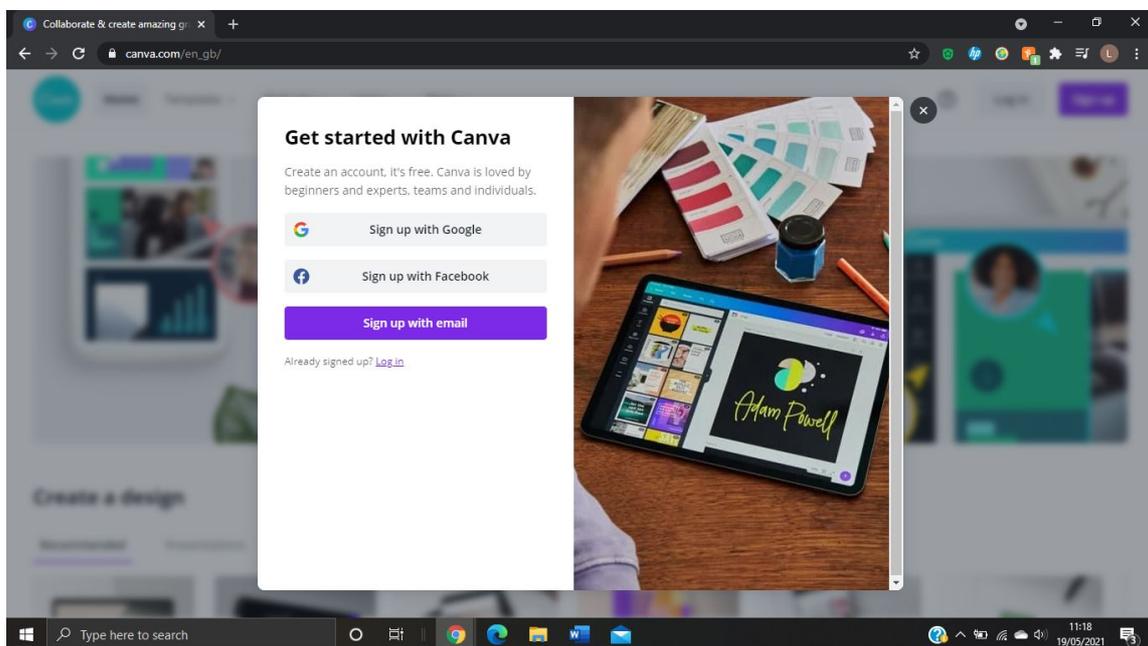
1080px × 1080px

Use template

Click the purple 'Use this template' button below the preview of the template.

It will open up a window for you to log in or sign up to Canva. If you don't have an account already, creating one is free and simple to do.

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To create an account, click the purple 'sign up' button in the top right hand corner.
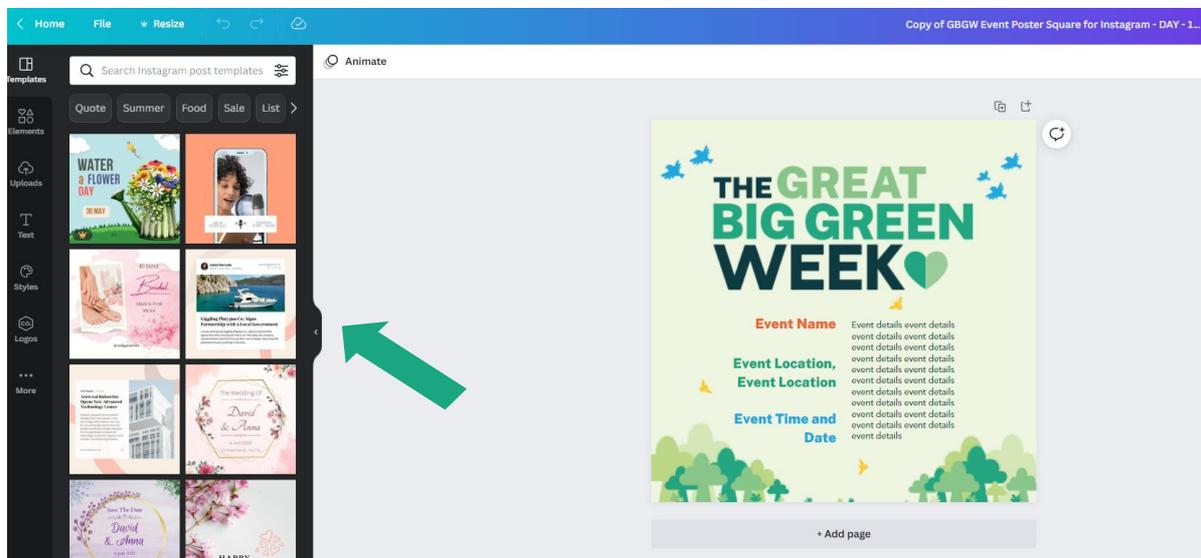

Clicking 'Sign Up' will bring up the following screen. You can sign up with your Google or Facebook account, or by email.

Once you are signed up and logged in, you can start editing the templates to help promote your Great Big Green Week activity!

Using the templates

Whether it's a poster for print or a graphic to share on social media, the process of editing the templates is the same. For this example, we'll be using this template for creating social media post to promote a Great Big Green Week event.
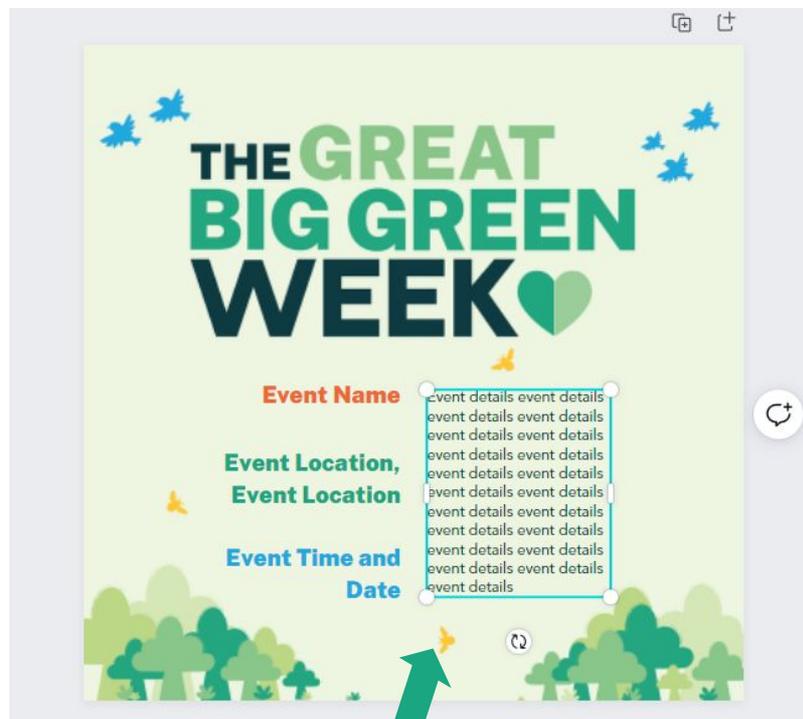

The fonts and colours are all pre-set to the Great Big Green Week Theme for you so they do not need to be edited. Therefore, you do not need to worry about any of the features on the left hand side navigation panel.

You can minimise it by pressing the small arrow on the side, highlighted by the green arrow.

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For each template available, there will be different sections that you can edit and input the necessary information to share details about your event or local Green Week.

To add in your own text, click on a text box. By clicking on a text box, a blue box will appear around the text, and you can now edit the template text.
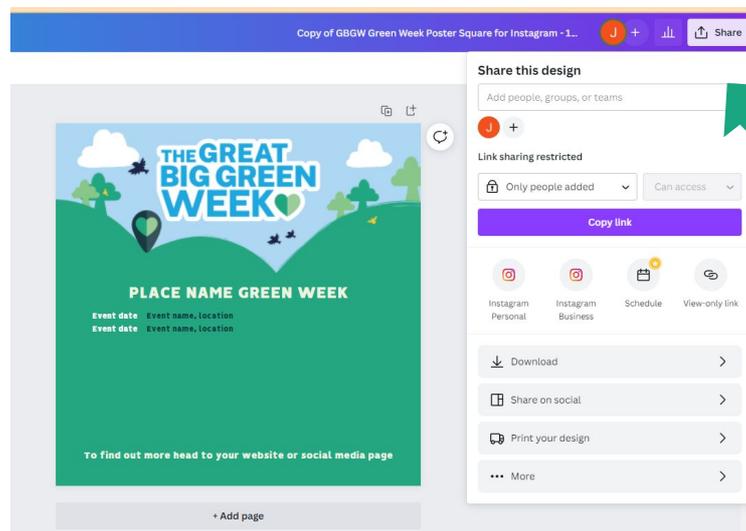
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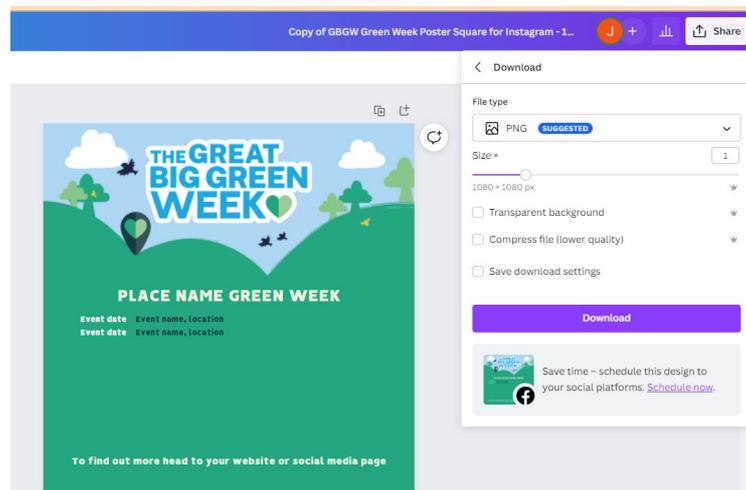Here is an example of a finished poster advertising a local event:

Using the templates

You can download your graphic or poster by clicking on the 'share' button in the top right corner (shown by the green arrow) and then click download.

This will bring up the following screen. You can choose how you want to download the image by clicking on the file type box. The best option for printing is a PDF.

And you're done!

Once you have created all the social media graphics and posters you need, remember to share them far and wide with your networks and community.

If you need guidance on getting others involved in your local Green Week or events, check out our promotion guide at greatbiggreenweek.com/resources. There's also a bit more information about creating posters and using social media.

If you have any further questions about using canva, or Great Big Green Week in general, send an email to contact@greatbiggreenweek.com.

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