

The Key

Oxfordshire's sustainability newsletter

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Welcome...

Welcome to the *The Key*, your fortnightly guide to the news, events, funding and jobs from Oxfordshire's environmental community.

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News

European Week for Waste Reduction - workshops announced

Between November 19 and 27, the **European Week for Waste Reduction (EWWR)** aims to demonstrate to people all over Europe about the simple actions that they can take in everyday life to help contribute to waste reduction efforts.

This year CAGs are hosting five sessions run by local trainers, engaging their communities with workshops based around how to reduce waste and save money over the Christmas period.

Click 'Read more' to find out about the workshops and sign up.

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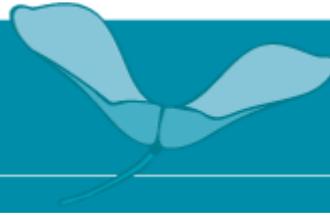
Is localism delivering for climate change?

Based on extensive interviews and two surveys, a new **Green Alliance** report finds a three-way split between local authorities. A third are maintaining their action on climate change, a third are narrowing their work and a third are opting out of action altogether.

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New Recycling A-Z launched for Oxfordshire

Oxfordshire Waste Partnership have launched a new website designed to help people reduce, reuse and recycle almost anything. Simply choose your item and the Recycling A-Z will show you every local site that it can be



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November

11th-13th [Shared Planet student conference](#) @ Town Hall, Oxford

11th [Eco Day](#) @ Kidlington

12th [Swap shop](#) @ Watlington

13th [Oxford Real Nappy Fair](#) @ Summertown, Oxford

16th ['How to meet future energy needs locally'](#) public meeting @ Abingdon

19th [Days schools on Leadership in Action for Climate Change and Sustainability](#) @ Summertown

taken to.

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Friends of the Earth threatens lawsuit over solar panels

Environmental group **Friends of the Earth** have threatened to sue the government if it scraps solar panel subsidies before the consultation period ends.

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Funding

Reaching Communities programme: Between £10,000 and £500,000 for revenue projects and/or smaller capital projects up to £50,000, which will help people and communities most in need.

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Grimple's Green Grants: Up to £2,000 for environmentally friendly community projects. Deadline 30 November.

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Awards for All: Between £300 and £10,000 for projects that improve communities, and the lives of people within them.

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Jobs

Communications Officer - Earth Trust

South Oxfordshire, Part time, Permanent, £19,000 pro rata
[Full details here](#) - Closing date 15 November

Research Manager - Earthwatch (Freshwater programmes)

Oxford, £31,451 - £38,288
[Full details here](#) - Closing date 25 November

Project Manager - Carbon Conversations (COIN)

Oxford. £26,000 FTE, pro-rata, initially 3 days per week.
[Full details here](#) - Closing date 21 November

Oxford

19th [Recycled Gifts workshop @ Barracks Lane Community Garden, Oxford](#)

19th [Recycled Jewellery workshop @ Wantage](#)

20th [Dean Court CAG AGM@ Oxford](#)

20th [Wreaths with a difference workshop @ Clifton Hampden](#)

23rd [Cooking with leftovers workshop @ Charlbury](#)

23rd [Green Drinks @ Bicester](#)

24th [The People's Planet: reconnecting climate science, climate policy and reality @ Oxford](#)

Future

November

19th-27th European Week for Waste Reduction

December

1st Low Carbon Hub launch

January

14th Low Carbon Communities Network conference @ Oxford

Oxfordshire's Affordable Warmth Network

United Sustainable Energy Agency (USEA), a local, not-for-profit organisation, operate the Affordable Warmth Network across Oxfordshire. This aims to be provide a one-stop-resource for

information on loft and cavity wall insulation (CocoonYourHome), heating replacement grants, switching suppliers, fuel debt, energy efficiency and other support organisations. Residents can call the Affordable Warmth Helpline for free impartial advice on 0800 107 00 44, from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

The service also offers free talks for groups, so if you're an organiser, or simply a member of a group, and would like more information, contact Dale Hoyland on 01993 894 831, or at: dale.hoyland@usea.org.uk.

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