

Welcome to the CAG Oxfordshire network

We're delighted to have you as a member of CAG Oxfordshire and hope you're proud to be part of the network too. Please share this document with your members so that everyone can make the most of the support and resources available to them.

Who are CAG Oxfordshire?

Community Action Groups (CAG) Oxfordshire consists of over 85 groups across Oxfordshire who are at the forefront of community-led climate change action, organising events and projects to take action on issues including waste, transport, food, energy, biodiversity and social justice.

Started in 2001, the network is the largest of its kind in the UK.

What does it mean to be a member?

All member groups, their committees, volunteers and trustees have access to a variety of support and resources as members.

Training: Each year we run a series of training events which are generally free or discounted for members and cover areas as diverse as recruiting and engaging volunteers, running a healthy group, communicating climate change, working with your local council and practical matters such as health and safety. All our training events are publicised on our social media channels and in our newsletters.

Collaborate groups: The CAG team hosts regular meetings for Community Action Groups working on similar projects or across a common theme. These provide a space for getting to know each other, providing peer-to-peer support and finding opportunities for collaboration. Each group has a google group so that members can contact each other. [More information here](#).

Support: The team at CAG can help you set up a new group, come to meetings and help facilitate when things are tough or big decisions are being made, support with finding funding opportunities and applying for grants. We can also connect you to other CAG groups or signpost you to organisations or resources, or find mentors who may be able to help you and your organisation from their own experience.

If you'd like to book a quick initial chat with one of our network support coordinators to discuss how we can help your group, please email Anaïs or Christabel (contact details below).

Insurance and health and safety: We can assist with finding suitable insurance cover and offer financial support to cover insurance costs for low-income groups. Find out more information in our [Health and Safety Briefing](#).

Resources: We've collated lots of useful resources on everything from running a group to communicating your story plus all the templates you'll need to write your policies on health and safety, safeguarding and equal opportunities. More information [here](#).

Special Project Grants: As members you can apply for our Special Project Grants of up to £500 for projects, events or activities which you may not be able to fund otherwise. More information [here](#).

Funding Database: We also maintain a funding database with opportunities for groups, which we are constantly updating. More information [here](#).

See our [members' handbook](#) for more information about the network and the support available.

How can I keep up to date with what's going on?

[Sign up](#) to our two newsletters. **The Key** goes out fortnightly and contains a roundup of sustainability news, events, jobs and funding opportunities from across the county.

The **Network Update** goes out to member groups and their volunteers and contains news from the network plus information on training, resources, opportunities and workshops.

Want to feature in our newsletters?

We'd love to hear from you! We're always on the lookout for news from our members and try to feature as diverse a selection as possible, so please, tell us what's going on and we'll spread the word.

Want to be seen on social media?

If you've already got your own social media accounts just tag us so we'll see your posts and can share them. If you don't have social media accounts for your organisation, just drop us an email at comms@cagoxfordshire.org.uk and we can send your information out on our channels for you.

How to promote your membership of the network

- Please send our information to any new volunteers.
- Tell your members, volunteers, and trustees that you're part of the network and that they can access our help, support and resources too.
- Add the CAG logo to your website, mailouts and your group's email signature
- Use this [network member logo](#) on your website, in your mailouts or social media feeds.
- Follow us on social media

Contact us

- **Henry Owen: Lead Coordinator** (henry@cagoxfordshire.org.uk) Henry leads the CAG Oxfordshire staff team, overseeing strategy, network facilitation, funding and offering development support to groups in the network.
- **Anaïs Bozetine: Network Support Coordinator** (anais@cagoxfordshire.org.uk) Anaïs splits her time at CAG between coordinating support for network members and running the 'Replenish' project, an initiative that supports Oxfordshire residents to grow and cook nutritious food with zero waste.

- **Christabel Buchanan: Network Support Coordinator** (christabel@cagoxfordshire.otg.uk)
Christabel works supporting CAG groups, facilitating collaborative and inclusive relationships within the network.
- **Etain O'Carroll: Communications Coordinator** (etain@cagoxfordshire.org.uk) Etain works 2.5 days a week and looks after CAG's social media accounts, newsletters and general communications.

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Communications queries or to send us your news: comms@cagoxfordshire.org.uk

Where to find CAG Oxfordshire online

Website: www.cagoxfordshire.org.uk

The Key/Network Update newsletter sign up: [The Community Action Groups Project Oxfordshire Sign-up](#)

Network Update only Sign up: [Network Update Sign Up](#)

Twitter: [@CAGOxfordshire](#)

Facebook page: [@CAGoxfordshire](#)

Join our [Facebook group](#)

Instagram: [@cag_oxfordshire](#)

YouTube: [CAG Oxfordshire - YouTube](#)

CAG Oxfordshire logo: [New CAG Logo 2020 - CAG Oxfordshire operations - Google Drive](#)

CAG Oxfordshire member logo: [CAG Member Logo 2020 - CAG Oxfordshire operations - Google Drive](#)

A short video about who we are: [Community Action Groups Oxfordshire - YouTube](#)

[CAG Oxfordshire](#), an independent co-operative network with funding from [Oxfordshire County Council](#).