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## **LET'S TALK CLIMATE: UNITING THE COMMUNITY AROUND THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY**

Wokingham Borough Council is this week launching its Let's Talk Climate project, inviting interested parties across the area to take part in peer groups and e-panels on climate change.

Let's Talk Climate is a community deliberative process, bringing together groups of people and presenting evidence and ideas on climate change, which are then discussed by the group and a consensus reached.

Peer groups will take place from February, led by experienced facilitators, to discuss the council's climate emergency action plan and come up with new ways to reduce the borough's carbon footprint.

Expressions of interest to join a peer group open on 6 January, and interested people can find out more and sign up [via Engage Wokingham Borough](#). Sign up now and as a thank you for your time, we will enter you in a draw for a voucher.

Once the recommendations have been reviewed, in May e-panels will take place where a wider number of community members can discuss the recommendations and share further thoughts and ideas. Information on how to join these will be released nearer the time.

Councillor Gregory Murray, executive member for resident services, communications and emissions, said: "Let's Talk Climate is the next stage in developing our climate emergency action plan, ensuring that people with an interest in the borough, through work, school, home or other interest, are able to have their say on our plans.

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“We want to hear from lots of different voices, whether you are already engaged in climate emergency or not yet sure. It’s important for us to understand the thoughts and feelings of a cross-section of community members across the borough.”

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**Further information:**

1. More from Cllr Gregor Murray at [gregor.murray@wokingham.gov.uk](mailto:gregor.murray@wokingham.gov.uk)