

Opportunity to join the Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change



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Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change – member recruitment

The Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change (BACCC) is seeking new members as part of a member refresh.

BACCC is an independent committee that provides advice on the climate crisis to Bristol City Council, the Bristol One City Boards and other key city stakeholders and assesses progress towards the city's climate goals.

Its members have wide ranging skills, experience and knowledge related to the climate crisis. Together they aim to support Bristol's progress in achieving net zero by 2030 and adapting to climate change in an effective, inclusive, and just manner.

The purpose of the committee is to:

- provide independent advice to the 7 'One City' thematic boards, Bristol City Council
 and other stakeholders on reducing greenhouse gas emissions (mitigation) and
 preparing for climate change (adaptation), both in response to requests for support
 and also proactively by identifying key areas for action;
- monitor and report on the city's progress in reducing emissions and increasing resilience; and
- share its findings as widely as possible.

The BACCC is seeking at least five new members for the committee with skills, experience and knowledge that can contribute to BACCC's purpose. This could include:

- Expertise on how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and/or adapt to climate change at the city level;
- Knowledge and experience of the impact of the climate crisis on Bristol and its communities;
- Expertise on climate vulnerabilities and building community resilience to climate impacts;
- Experience with policy, system and/or behaviour change;
- Public engagement and/or communications expertise;
- Knowledge around climate justice, just transition and lived experience of climate impacts.

Whilst some members draw upon their organisation's knowledge and resource, applications from individuals are also encouraged. Please note that members are not representing their organisations or sectors on the committee.

Time Commitment: BACCC meets for around two hours once a month and currently holds both in-person (central Bristol) and online meetings, with a mix of morning or afternoon meetings and dates sent out well in advance. Members are expected to attend meetings



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regularly, plus contribute to working groups, the development of reports and statements, and/or act as a rep to a One City Board. This amounts to roughly 5 hours per month.

Those who would like to contribute to BACCC but have less capacity may wish to <u>apply to</u> <u>join</u> the Expert Register, which is called upon when additional support or specific expertise is needed.

Financial remuneration: Financial remuneration for time, support and mentoring can be made available for successful candidates who feel that otherwise they would not be able to play a full and active role in the BACCC's work (on a case-by-case basis).

Membership and diversity: BACCC would like to increase the diversity of its membership and encourages applications from people from, and/or with knowledge or experience of groups currently under-represented, including black and minority ethnic communities; Disabled people; and young people (aged 18 - 24).

How to apply

To express interest in joining the Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change, please outline how your experience, skills and knowledge can contribute to its purpose in a maximum of 300 words. (Short video applications also possible)

This should be sent along with this optional <u>equalities monitoring form</u> to <u>ceilidh@bristolgreencapital.org</u> with the subject line "BACCC application" by end of day Sunday 6 November.

If you have any queries about the role, please email claire@bristolgreencapital.org.

Appointment process: A panel made up of the current co-chairs (James Longhurst, UWE Bristol and Jo House, University of Bristol) and Bristol Green Capital Partnership staff (who provide secretariat to BACCC) will review anonymised expressions of interest received and appoint new members of the committee. Formal interviews are not planned but candidates may be contacted for an informal discussion about the role.