

# Additional Learning

## More Resources

To learn more about assemblies happening all round the world, the XR **Local Group Support Pack** contains a list of website and video links to grassroots organisations doing deliberative democracy in their way... It's truly inspirational... Here's a taster:

### Case Studies

- [The People's Plan for Nature](#)
- Video on [Cheshire East People's Panel](#) on the Cost of Living with Positive Money: Cheshire East People's Panel on the Cost of Living.
- Take The Square [blogs about local deliberative democracy](#)
- [Knowledge Network on Climate Assemblies /KNOCA](#)

### National Assembly Campaigns

- Sortition Foundation: [proposal for a House of Citizens](#) is supported by Extinction Rebellion
- Why Extinction Rebellion Demands A Citizens' Assembly On Climate And Ecological Justice [explanatory video](#).
- Extinction Rebellion: Webpages and links on XR's [3rd Demand for a Citizen's Assembly on our climate and ecological emergency](#)
- [UK Parliament Debate](#)
- (Ireland)[Children's Assembly on Biodiversity](#) Call on Ireland to 'treat the Earth like family'
- (Spain) [Los Indignados Assemblies](#)
- [Luxembourg 'step up' green energy and efficiency targets](#) partly due to citizens' assembly (Euro News)

### Alternative and Supplementary Guides to Deliberative Democracy

- Community At Work: [Deliberative Democracy manual](#)
- XR Community [Alliance Building Trainings](#) (Relationships Circle on YouTube)

- Reforming The Political System [Messaging Guide](#)
- Open Space Technology: [Alternative models of deliberation](#)
- Better Evaluation: [Goldfish Bowl Meetings](#)

## Other Resources

- **Podcast:** [Power of Community Imagination](#)
- **Podcast:** [Planet Critical](#)
- **Campaign** [Zero Hour](#) - the Climate and Ecology Bill
- **Inspiration** (World Economic Forum) David Attenborough inspired the UK to create a People's Plan for Nature. [People's Plan for Nature](#)

## Further Training

The Gardeners plan more training on Community Assemblies in the near future, in collaboration with other XR Circles, including::

- Citizen's Assembly Working Group and Advocacy Network
- Operations
- Facilitation
- Relationships
- Actions
- LG Support

For **Facilitation Training**, the Facilitation Circle holds regular, in depth trainings. These can be adapted to different settings, including Assemblies, but we hope to collaborate on tailored trainings for local groups wanting to set up a Community Assembly soon.

Meantime, you can contact the Facilitation Circle with your questions at

[facilitation@extinctionrebellion.uk](mailto:facilitation@extinctionrebellion.uk)

**Street Scripts** on Citizen's Assemblies

**Trust the People** TTP are THE expert trainers inspiring and empowering people everywhere to really bring democracy home. Enjoy 8 weeks worth of in-depth and fun training to equip your local community to organise and run an effective magical experience in deliberative democracy. And it's totally **free**, twice per year from the experts in building deliberative democracy

**Community At Work** Check their: "Facilitator's Guide to Participatory Decision Making". They run online trainings too but there is a hefty price tag. Check their schedule.

**Hope For The Future** Talking to Politicians whom you may invite to your assembly or even writing to them and meeting them in person can seem daunting. Being prepared ensures you get what you need from dialogue with those in positions of power to bring about change. The General Election is not far off and hustings will be happening... Skill yourself up and boost your confidence in talking to politicians, be they local, regional or national.

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