

# Overview

## Why community organising?

Community organising is what enables communities to put their ideas into action; it will enable you to shape your local community, and perhaps even the greater society, so that it responds to the needs and desires of the people. It is a way of organising and acting effectively, so that you have a say in how money is spent, can make the most of any grants available, and can even hold politicians to account. Organising effectively as a community and creating lasting change is incredibly empowering – it enables people to find and use their agency, to draw on their courage, and to understand that their views and voices matter.

If we can come together to organise COVID-19 mutual aid projects, why not food, land and housing cooperatives? The climate crisis is real and our communities have to learn to adapt to a world in flux. That will only happen if we learn to work together. This is the moment to do exactly that.

## Useful Links

- Imagination aphrodisiacs:
    1. Sundial: [The Imagination Sundial](#)
    2. Guide: [XR Guide to the Impossible](#)
  - Ideas for a new world:
    1. Stories: [21 stories of Transition](#)
    2. Platform: [The Alternative](#)
  - Building the New Economy: [Resource Library on starting a Cooperative](#)
  - Reclaiming Your Local Council:
    1. Guide: [Transform Your Local Council](#)
    2. Podcast: [Peter Macfadyen, former mayor, renegade, legend of local politics](#)
  - Take Direct Action:
    1. Reading list: [compiled by the Laboratory of Insurrectionary Imagination](#)
    2. Manual: [Earth First! Direct Action Manual](#)
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