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# ENERGISING BRITAIN SOUTH WEST

## AGENDA

Monday 6 July

09:30 - 16:00

[M Shed, Wapping Road, Bristol, BS1 4RN](#)

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| 9.30 - 10.00  | <b>Arrivals</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Networking and refreshments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 10:00 - 10.05 | <b>Welcome from the South West Net Zero Hub</b><br>Introduction to the day and housekeeping                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Katherine Rooney</b> , South West Net Zero Hub                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 10:05 - 10.15 | <b>Keynote presentation</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>Sonia Krylova</b> , Deputy Director Net Zero Strategy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 10:15 - 10.50 | <b>Panel 1: Energising the South West</b><br>The South West is well placed to lead the UK's transition to clean energy, with abundant renewable resources, strong community energy networks and proactive local authorities. However, this transition needs to happen fairly, with local communities benefiting directly from action on climate and nature.<br><br>This expert panel will bring national and regional insight to discuss these opportunities and challenges. | Chair: <b>Justin Olosunde</b> , Head of Strategic Investments & Planning, West of England Combined Authority<br><br>Panel:<br><b>Kerry McCarthy</b> MP<br><b>Emma Howard-Boyd</b> CBE, Chair National Heat Risk Commission<br><b>Sonia Krylova</b> , Deputy Director Net Zero Strategy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero<br><b>Hannah Spungin</b> , Director, Bristol City Leap<br><b>Luke Moss</b> , Skills and Employment Manager, Exeter City College |



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| 10:50 - 11.05 | Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 11:05 - 11.50 | <p><b>It makes life better!'</b></p> <p>How community climate and nature action makes life better for communities - today and tomorrow.</p> <p>Session hosted by the Bristol Climate and Nature Partnership on their model of community led action on climate and nature, featuring case studies from community projects across Bristol.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>Chair: Lizzi Testani, CEO, Bristol Climate and Nature Partnership Speakers:</p> <p><b>Amy Harrison</b>, Head of Community Partnerships, Bristol Climate and Nature Partnership</p> <p><b>Kirsty Tait</b>, Community Development Manager, Heart of BS13</p> <p><b>Melissa Blackburn</b>, CEO, Lockleaze Neighbourhood Trust)</p> <p><b>Emma Geen</b>, Disability Climate Justice Consultant, Bristol Climate and Nature Partnership</p> <p><b>Euella Jackson</b>, Co-Director, Rising Arts Agency</p> |
| 11.50 - 12.20 | <p><b>Creative Clean Power Pilot: Supercharging Clean Energy and Circular Innovation</b></p> <p>The Creative Clean Power Pilot is an innovative project to decarbonise live events by replacing diesel generators with renewable mobile energy solutions.</p> <p>This session will explore how partners (West of England Combined Authority, Bristol City Council, ACT 1.5 and clean power providers) have addressed infrastructure and commercial challenges , and the role creative industries can play in engaging audiences on climate action.</p> <p>.</p> | <p>Chair: <b>Nona Hunter</b>, Creative Economy Lead, West of England Combined Authority</p> <p>Panel members:</p> <p><b>Katherine Nash</b>, Head of Studio, The Bottle Yard Studios</p> <p><b>Ian Peniston</b>, Director of Operations Power Logistics</p> <p><b>Chloe Brazier-Sant</b>, Project Manager, South West Net Zero Hub</p>                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 12:20- 13:20  | Lunch and networking                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



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| 12.35 to 13.15 | <b>Lunchtime boat tour to Capricorn Quay</b><br>Optional visit to nature projects in Bristol Harbour on the newly electrified Redshank narrowboat.<br><a href="#">Book here</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Tour hosted by <b>David Towns</b> , Harbour Projects Manager, Bristol City Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 13.20 to 14.25 | <b>Boat tour to Bristol Harbour Heat Network</b><br><br>Optional boat tour to find out about Bristol's Heat Network and the Castle Park Energy Centre, a 3MW water source heat pump that takes water from the harbour to generate heat and hot water for local businesses and residents.<br><a href="#">Book here</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Tour hosted by <b>Jon Sankey</b> , Business Development Manager, Bristol City Leap                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 13.20 to 13.50 | <b>Lightning Session - Community Energy in Action</b><br>Quickfire presentations on community energy projects from across the region.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Rev. David Moss</b> , Vicar, North Severnside Benefice<br><b>Lloyd Allen</b> , Development Lead, Bristol City Leap<br><b>Als Parker</b> , Director, Devon Energy Collective<br><b>Lisa Beaney</b> , Director, Green Isle of Wight)                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 13.50 - 14.35  | <b>Panel Session 2 - Transformational Power of Community Energy</b><br>As the clean energy transition accelerates, ensuring it is fair, inclusive, and widely supported is critical. Community-owned energy models—such as cooperatives, local energy schemes, and municipal partnerships—are emerging as powerful mechanisms to share economic benefits, build trust, and anchor climate action within communities.<br><br>This panel explores how community energy can deliver a just transition: creating local jobs, reducing energy inequalities, and strengthening | <b>Chair: Katherine Piper</b> , Business Development and Partnerships Lead, Bristol City Leap<br><b>Neil Best</b> , Senior Planner for Net Zero, and <b>Ellie Philips</b> , Community Engagement Coordinator, Centre for Sustainable Energy<br><b>Matt Golding</b> , Director, Antidote<br><b>Pete Capener</b> , Managing Director Bath and West Community Energy, Interim Chair Community Energy England<br><b>Rebecca Windemer</b> , Planning Lead, |



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|               | democratic participation, while also building public support for net zero policies.                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Regen                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 14.35-14.55   | Break                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 14.55 - 15.55 | <b>Our vision for the future</b><br>Workshop led by Climate Outreach and the Centre for Climate Change and Social Transformations (CAST). An interactive session to build a 10-year vision for the South West, exploring the impact the clean energy transition will have on households and communities. | <b>Hayden Banks</b> , Advocacy Manager, Climate Outreach<br><b>Bella Zanin</b> , Knowledge Exchange Associate, Centre for Climate Change and Social Transformations (CAST) |
| 15.55-16:00   | <b>Close and next steps</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>Sonia Krylova</b> , Deputy Director Net Zero Strategy, Department for Energy Security and Net Zero                                                                      |