



A community creating a better world

Youth Climate Manifesto

What is Otley 2030?

Otley 2030 is a community group comprised of local people who are keen to do their bit to make Otley a more sustainable and fairer town.

We were established in 2019 on the back of Otley Town and Leeds City councils declaring Climate Emergencies. We then went on to work with other people from across the city to create Climate Action Leeds, so that we could work in cooperation with other groups and key stakeholders across the city.

Our goal is to make Otley a carbon-zero, sustainable and fair town by the 2030s, and to ensure that this transition is made in a just and democratic way, involving all areas of our local community.

What is the Youth Climate Manifesto Workshop?

At Otley 2030, we believe that it is important for young people to have a say in the future of their town. We have therefore designed this workshop to give them an introduction to sustainability and a chance to develop some of their own ideas into a document that can then be presented to the local media and local politicians.

There will be four 1-hour sessions, each based around a different theme and presented by different local experts. Between the sessions, students will work individually, or in groups, to develop their ideas and produce their own climate manifesto.

What's in each session and what are the dates?

Session 1 – August 8th – 11am – Online

Net Zero Neighbourhoods and the Future of Energy

In this session we will introduce the layout of the workshop, and welcome our first guest speaker, Toby Putman from Otley Energy. Toby will talk about the concept of Net Zero Neighbourhoods and the future of energy in Otley.

Session 2 – August 15th – 11am – Online

The Biodiversity Crisis and how we can help Nature Thrive in Otley

Parallel to the Climate Crisis, we are also facing a Biodiversity Crisis that threatens not only nature, but has significant effects on humanity. In this session, members of Otley 2030's Nature Network will talk about local efforts to help nature thrive and how we can create more accessible green spaces.

Session 3 – August 22nd – 11am – Online

Street Vision and the Future of Transport

Globally, transport accounts for approximately a quarter of CO2 emissions, not to mention the noise, danger and other pollutants that affect us all. Rethinking how we travel around our cities and towns is essential. In this session, local councillor, Mick Bradley will talk about Otley Town Council's Street Vision 2030 plans, as well as discussing green transport more broadly.

Session 4 – August 29th – 11am – Online

Think Global, Act Local – The Otley Doughnut

Everything is interconnected. The mobile phone you are reading this on might have been made in China using minerals mined in Zimbabwe, with software designed in California. When creating plans for the future, we must think about how they will affect people all around the world. Climate Action Leeds have recently adopted the [Doughnut Economics model](#) to highlight this interconnectivity and Otley 2030 have a student from the University of Leeds, Nathan Stewart, working on a similar model for Otley. Nathan and Shannon Coles, Otley 2030 trustee and local activist, will use this session to talk about how we need to "Think Global, Act Local" and explain the basic concepts of [Doughnut Economics](#).

What do I need to join the sessions?

Just email us at hello@otley2030.com to let us know you are attending.

Then use this Zoom link to attend the sessions:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81579628157?pwd=M1NSQjFNMWNUZ0l1QlBOVnhHSjZBUT09>

Meeting ID: 815 7962 8157

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