

Next sessions

Citizens' Assembly on the climate crisis

Session 2: Pathways to the future

Thursday 11 July, 6-9pm (venue tbc)

This session aims to inspire you with examples of how positive changes at local, regional and national levels can help address the climate and ecological crisis. Learn about how our neighbourhoods, lifestyles and transport systems could change to make Camden cleaner and greener.

Session 3: Action for change

Saturday 20 July, 10am to 4pm (venue tbc)

This session will help you to decide which of the positive examples from the previous two sessions should be implemented in Camden. Should our streets be car free? Should there be more solar panels on schools and community buildings? Your ideas will inform a new environmental action plan for Camden.

Session 1: Climate Change and Camden

1 July, 6-9pm. Swiss Cottage Library

The question for the Assembly to consider

We are now facing a climate and ecological crisis. How can the Council and the people of Camden help limit the impact of climate change while protecting and enhancing our natural environment? What do we need to do in our homes, neighbourhoods and council?

Purpose of today's session

1. To understand the assembly process and why it has been established by the council
2. To understand the seriousness of the climate and environmental emergency and the environmental science behind
3. To understand the current situation in Camden and the positive change that's possible.

Speaker biographies



Professor Mark Maslin – University College London
Mark is Professor of climatology at University College London with expertise in global and regional climatic change. He has published over 160 papers and appears regularly on radio and television including the recent BBC David Attenborough documentary 'Climate change: the facts'. His books include 'Climate Change: A Very Short Introduction' and "The Human Planet". He was one of the lead authors on the 2009 Lancet report "Managing the Health effects of climate change".



Chris Dunham - Director, Carbon Descent
Chris has postgraduate qualifications in engineering and architecture and over 20 years' experience in the field of energy and carbon reduction. His work has ranged from training householders to fit solar water heating, to modelling how Brazil could achieve its national energy targets. Chris is also chair of a citizen's climate action group in his hometown.

Lead facilitators



Tim Hughes - Director, Involve
An expert in public participation and open governance, Tim has overseen and facilitated some of the largest citizens' assemblies that have taken place in the UK, including the Citizens' Assembly on Social Care and Citizens' Assembly for Northern Ireland.



Kelly McBride - Programme Director, Democratic Society
Kelly has extensive experience of supporting spaces and processes for dialogue, deliberation and learning in the UK and across Europe. Democratic Society is a non-profit organisation working for better inclusion and participation of people to make and shape the decisions that affect their lives.

Programme

Time	Detail
6pm	Welcome to the Camden Climate Assembly: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tim Hughes & Kelly McBride, Lead Facilitators• Georgia Gould, Leader of the Council• Sir Keir Starmer MP, local Member of Parliament
6.20pm	Introduction to how the Assembly will work
6.30pm	Table introductions
6.45pm	Prof Mark Maslin (UCL) - The science of climate change and its ecological impacts – Part 1
7pm	Table discussion
7.05pm	Prof Mark Maslin (UCL) - The science of climate change and its ecological impacts – Part 2
7.20pm	Table discussions
7.30pm	Break
7.45pm	Chris Dunham (Carbon Descent) - Current CO2 emissions in Camden and where we might get to in 2030
8.05pm	Table discussions
8.20pm	Q&A with Mark Maslin & Chris Dunham
8.50pm	Wrap-up
9pm	Close