



# CUTTING ENERGY 'STREET BY STREET'

## GROUP NAME:

Low Carbon West Oxford

## LOW CARBON HUB GRANT:

£7,558



## The objective

Street by Street was a project that worked with householders on three streets in West Oxford to help them reduce their home energy use and cut their carbon emissions.

Low Carbon West Oxford ran the project with a team of 12 volunteers who recruited 20 householders to take part in the programme. The project included workshops, carbon footprinting, and provided full energy surveys of each home giving detailed advice on how people could cut their energy use.

## Why?

A quarter of all the UK's carbon emissions are from the energy we use to heat and power our homes. Improving the energy performance of our homes is a key part of the puzzle in cutting harmful carbon emissions, which will help protect our overheating planet.

## The project

Street by Street launched in March 2018 in Binsey Lane, Harley Road and Duke Street in West Oxford. The volunteer team recruited residents through posters, leaflets and door-knocking to encourage take up. Participating householders attended a series of workshops delivered by trained volunteers, and a further group of four volunteers delivered carbon footprinting for residents.

Bierce Surveying were then commissioned to provide professional energy assessments for each household. They carried out a full survey of every home and provided advice on small measures and next steps homeowners could take to lower their energy use.

The one-to-one home visits proved very popular with residents and the installation of simple to install measures such as radiator panels, chimney balloons, draught proofing and energy efficient light bulb audits was fully embraced.

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