



COMMUNITIES

MAIN DOCUMENT



“Dripping water hollows out stone, not through force but through persistence.”

— Ovid

“Think about it: virtually every atrocity in the history of humankind was enabled by a populace that turned away from a reality that seemed too painful to face, while virtually every revolution for peace and justice has been made possibly by a group of people who chose to bear witness and demanded that others bear witness as well.”

— Melanie Joy



THE CURRENT STATS:

People involved

- Up to a million engaged in 65 countries
- 206 groups across the world in 24 different countries
- High concentration of groups (5+) in UK (91), Canada (7) USA (33), Germany (7), France (7), Australia (5) and New Zealand (8)

UK Commitment

In principle, would you be willing to?

- Co-facilitate a workshop/training: 1400
- Help with the campaign organisation: 1100
 - Get arrested: 1239 (160 actual)
 - Go to prison for a short time: 671
 - Take a support role: 1713

BASIC INFORMATION:

- **Coordinators of this working group:** Rae and Robin
- [Mandates](#) (what we are empowered to do) and key documents of this group
- [How this group fits into the structure of the XR UK Organism](#)
- Current projects can be found in our [minutes](#)

About us:

An effective nonviolent movement requires large, diverse numbers of people involved to be successful. The [research by Erica Chenoweth](#) on this is clear- we need 3.5% of the population to be actively involved with the rebellion if we are going to change the current system. This means going into communities and talking to people, organising and taking action. This group looks at the way those communities can be built up in Extinction Rebellion. We offer a wide range of



resources to different local groups and offer introduction trainings for people who are new to the movement.

We also work to respond to the interest that the rebellion gets through our social media channels and by email- making sure that people find their right community in the movement. We let everyone know what's happening in the rebellion through our regular newsletter (You can sign up to receive it at rebellion.earth). Our society has become separate through greedy interests and a loss of community- its time for us to do something about it.

How to get involved:

If you're interested in getting involved with one of our teams please either drop them an email, all available [here](#), or contact the communities integration team at local.xr.communities@gmail.com.

Suggested viewing/reading:

1. Rules for Revolutionaries- Zack Exley and Becky Bond
 - a. Becky Bond | [Big Organizing in Practice: Knock Every Door-](#)
Youtube
2. The Radical Think Tank -[how to organise public meetings](#)
3. [The Children's March](#)- Youtube
4. [Bringing down a dictator](#)- Youtube