

# JOIN THE BRISTOL ADVISORY



## COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE (BACCC)

The Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change (BACCC) is seeking new members with the relevant skills, experience and knowledge to contribute to BACCC's purpose and key priorities in the year ahead.

### OVERVIEW

BACCC is an independent technical committee that provides advice to the Bristol One City Boards, Bristol City Council and other key stakeholders, and assesses progress towards the city's climate goals.

Its members have wide ranging skills, experience and knowledge related to the climate crisis. Together they aim to support Bristol's progress in achieving net zero by 2030 and adapting to climate change in an effective, inclusive, and just manner.

The committee:

- reviews evidence and provides independent advice and recommendations to the One City Boards on developing, implementing and reviewing carbon neutral and climate resilience goals and actions
- provides critical commentary on the climate consequences of plans, policies and strategies affecting the city
- works with, and provides independent advice to, Bristol City Council and other key stakeholders on reducing greenhouse gas emissions (mitigation) and preparing for climate change (adaptation and increasing resilience), both in response to requests for support and by proactively identifying key areas for action
- monitors and reports on the city's progress in reducing emissions and increasing resilience; and
- shares its findings as widely as possible.



# JOINING THE COMMITTEE

The BACCC is currently seeking new members with skills and expertise to support the committee in its purpose, particularly relating to its priorities for the year ahead. This includes technical expertise in the following areas:

- climate adaptation and resilience
- community resilience to climate impacts
- natural environment and co-benefits with climate resilience and net zero
- business and economy (developing and measuring emissions reduction and resilience action)
- data, knowledge and tools for local decision making (sources, translation, application)
- food and land use

Please note that membership is offered to individuals, rather than official representatives of organisations or sectors. However, we recognise that many members may draw upon their organisational knowledge and resource, including attending meetings during a working day.

## KEY INFORMATION

**Time commitment:** BACCC meets for around 2.5 hours every two months and currently holds both in-person (central Bristol) and online meetings, with a mix of morning or afternoon meetings and dates sent out well in advance. There are occasional topic-specific working group meetings or review/report tasks in between main BACCC meetings.

Members are expected to attend meetings regularly, contribute to working groups or the development of reports and statements where relevant.

We also encourage members to act as a representative where opportunities present themselves, for example, when the committee is invited to speak at events or attending quarterly One City Gatherings or workshops, or to attend topic-specific One City Board meetings.



**Chairing and support:** The committee is Co-Chaired and led by representatives from the University of Bristol and the University of the West of England, Bristol. It is supported by Bristol Climate & Nature Partnership, who provides secretariat support and works with the Co-Chairs to organise meetings and activities.

**Financial remuneration:** A small offer of financial support for time, as well as other support and mentoring, can be made available for successful candidates who feel that otherwise they would not be able to play a full and active role in the BACCC's work (on a case-by-case basis).

**Commitment to Equity, Diversity and Inclusion:** BACCC recognises the valuable contribution that people from all backgrounds and experiences bring to the city and encourages applications from those belonging to marginalised or underrepresented groups.

We work to ensure that committee members experience the committee as an accessible, inclusive and welcoming forum. The secretariat and co-chairs are committed to supporting access and inclusion and aim to meet all specific accessibility requirements and reasonable adjustments wherever possible.

## HOW TO EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST

Complete this short form to express interest in joining the Bristol Advisory Committee on Climate Change: <https://forms.office.com/e/SF9smQPdqY>

You will be asked to outline how your experience, skills and knowledge can contribute to its purpose in a maximum of 750 words. We encourage you to highlight any ways in which your experience, skills and knowledge are relevant to the priorities highlighted above.

The Partnership is committed to making adjustments for people who face barriers. If you would like to discuss this in relation to either your participation in the committee or in the application process itself, please contact us at [contact@bristolclimatenature.org](mailto:contact@bristolclimatenature.org).



A panel made up of the current co-chairs (Enda Hayes, University of the West of England, Bristol; and Jo House, University of Bristol) and Bristol Climate & Nature Partnership staff will review anonymised expressions of interest received and appoint new members of the committee. Formal interviews are not required, but the panel may get back in touch if we have any clarifying questions about your application.

The first deadline for expressions of interest is midday on 6 May 2025 — however applications after this date may still be considered subject to availability on the panel and to meet any remaining gaps in specific expertise/knowledge.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

Those who would like to contribute to BACCC work but have less capacity may wish to apply to join the [Expert Register](#), which is called upon when additional support or specific expertise is needed (e.g. receiving invitations to attend specific themed workshops).

Read about BACCC's previous work on their website:

<https://thebaccc.org/news/>

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