



## LAMBETH COMMUNITY SOLAR

### Community Champion

**Contract:** Part-time, PAYE 1-year fixed term contract with possibility to extend subject to funding, 2 days/week. Probation period of 3 months.

**Salary:** £25,000 pro-rata

**Location:** Working from home, with options to work at Repowering's office in Brixton. Support will be provided for remote/home working if you need it.

### About the role

This is an exciting opportunity for a Lambeth resident who cares about tackling climate change locally and leading their borough towards a more inclusive and sustainable future.

As a Community Champion, you will grow and develop Lambeth Community Solar (LCS) into a lively and vibrant co-op and build connections with a wide range of local groups.

We are looking for someone who lives in the borough, with a strong network of local contacts, and an interest in climate issues and community organising.

You will be employed, trained and mentored by Repowering London.

### About LCS

LCS is the first borough-wide community energy co-operative in Lambeth. Its aim is to lead the borough towards a more inclusive and sustainable future by installing community-owned solar panels. Created in 2018, it has already raised £137,000 from the local community to install 145 kW of solar panels on two schools. LCS has a team of 4 Directors, 10 volunteers and 170 investor members.

LCS is supported by Repowering London, a social enterprise co-creating and facilitating community energy projects. Repowering supports 6 other community energy co-ops across London. We have received funding from the National Lottery's Climate Action Fund to

develop our community energy projects and recruit community champions in Lambeth, Kensington & Chelsea, and City of London.

## Job description

### Grow and develop LCS into a lively and vibrant co-op

- Identify and recruit volunteers and members
- Shape the direction of the co-op so that it reflects the aspirations of the local community
- Attend meetings with the co-op directors and interact regularly with volunteers
- Co-create and run with volunteers community events, campaigns, and activities
- Identify sites to install solar panels and reach out to site owners

### Build local connections

- Reach out to a wide range of actors in the community: associations, faith-based groups, environmental organisations, charities, youth or elderly clubs, community hubs, local businesses etc...
- Attend regular events, meetings, meet-ups, and activities with these actors to raise awareness of community energy and how it links with local movements
- Establish durable relationships with local climate organisations
- Refer local residents who are vulnerable or at risk to Repowering's Community Support Services

## Person specification

Repowering will provide training and mentorship to enable anyone with the right learning and passion to develop on-the-job.

### Essential

- Living in Lambeth
- Strong network of local contacts and knowledge of the area
- Interest in climate issues and community organising

### We would welcome somebody who...

- Has experience working/volunteering in or with community groups
- Can work independently and remotely in an unstructured environment
- Is empathetic, outgoing, and open-minded
- Has good verbal communication skills and is comfortable with speaking in public
- Uses initiative to achieve targets
- Enjoys inspiring and encouraging people
- Is keen to learn from regular, constructive feedback

## Position details

You will be employed by Repowering London as the NKCE Community Champion.

You must have the right to work in the UK.

**Location:** Working from home, with options to work at Repowering's office in Brixton. Support will be provided for remote/home working if you need it.

**Contract:** Part-time, PAYE 1-year contract, 2 days/week. Probation period of 3 months.

**Duration:** 1 year starting from May/June 2021

**Hours:** Flexible working hours, evening/weekend work will be sometimes required.

**Line manager:** the role will report to Eva Goudouneix and attending regular meetings with Repowering.

## To apply

Please email us your CV and cover letter to [info@repowering.org.uk](mailto:info@repowering.org.uk). The deadline to apply is **26th April 2021**.

In your cover letter, please address the following questions:

- What experience and skills can you bring to the Community champion role?
- How would you go about helping LCS build new connections with organisations and communities in the borough?

If you have any questions about the role, don't hesitate to email us!

*Repowering London is an equal opportunities employer. We welcome applicants from diverse communities and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees.*

*This role is part-funded by the National Lottery Climate Action Fund.*

