



ALDGATE SOLAR POWER

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 resident living in or around the City of London 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 Aldgate Solar Power (ASP) 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 or around the City of London, 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 ASP

ASP is the first and only community energy co-op in the City of London, created in 2019. Its aim is to lead the borough towards a more inclusive and sustainable future by installing community-owned solar panels. Its first project will be to install 50kW of solar panels on the Middlesex Street Estate in Autumn 2021. ASP has a team of 4 Directors.

ASP 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

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

Job description

Grow and develop ASP 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, voluntary 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 local services.

Person specification

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

Essential

- Living in City of London, Tower Hamlets, Hackney, Islington
- Knowledge of the City of London and surroundings (local businesses, community groups...)
- 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 the ability to build and nurture relationships
- 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 ASP 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 October 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. The deadline to apply is **12th September 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 ASP 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 committed to providing equal opportunities for all applicants regardless of their background. We value diversity whilst recognising that accessing employment has different challenges for different people. We encourage applications from Black, Asian and minority ethnic people; people who identify as having a disability; people from the LGBT+ community; and people who identify as working class (or have done in the past). If you would like to have an informal chat before applying, please get in touch – we would be very happy to talk to you.

This role is jointly funded by the National Lottery Climate Action Fund the City of London Community Infrastructure Levy Neighborhood Fund.

