How Extinction Rebellion UK will achieve our goals

We will shift to building Community Bases of Power, using The Big One as a springboard for relationship building with other groups and communities. This work will enable us to fulfil the criteria for a much higher level of impact with mass mobilisation. The three key ingredients needed to drive the level of change XR aims for are:

1. Higher numbers
2. Wider spectrum of support
3. A mobilisation that can be sustained

We will only trigger the next mass event in London when we have these three ingredients.

This means using the period after The Big One to take stock, onboard, train, and further develop the work of both coalition building and community organising.

XR UK will not plan for the next movement-wide mobilisation in a single location until we are ready for it. If the conditions are met, we will work locally and nationally to build towards the mother of all mass mobilisations in 2024.

Until we are ready to return to the capital, the focus will be on campaigns and actions in regions, nations and local groups, as well as UK-wide. Action strategy will provide guidance to ensure alignment, and the Hive will facilitate the sharing of best practice in using these to advance our objectives.

Community and Local Groups need to be empowered to choose what they foresee will best achieve the movement’s strategic objectives in their communities. To maximise their resources, they should be offered options that carry as much support as possible from XR UK teams. They can then decide: 1. which of the options will suit their circumstances best, 2. will resonate across the widest possible spectrum, and 3. how to execute in a way that starts the new joiner journeys.

We will reinforce the structures that help XR groups self-empower. This means facilitating better inter-group communications, forums to help local groups self-resource or access central resources, or share best practices and toolkits. Key to this work will be local action planners working with XR UK’s Action circle.

In inviting the public to step into their power, we are inviting those who are new to the work to step up. We recommend that there are local groups to join, including XR but also many other groups, where you can put your shoulder to the wheel by helping with campaigning, mobilisation,

supporting people who have been arrested or face trials and the possibility of harsh, unjust sentences. The important focus is to help more people to take action and support others to do the same. There are many opportunities to show up, carry a placard, go on a march, sit on the pavement or the road, occupy, strike, boycott, etc

There are many more roles needed behind the scenes - meeting facilitators, minute takers, budget holders, admin roles, and more. It takes a whole community to do the work - everyone is important.

This summer we will take the time to help people go from passive to active: starting with participating actively but moving towards a recognition of the need for non-cooperation and NVDA.
