

# Climate Resilience – what does it mean for us?

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Why am I here?

What is Climate Resilience?

Local Picture

What can we do?



# A bit about me

10 years working at BP – mainly  
in Environmental Trading

Climate Emergency lead on  
WBC March 25– May 26

Now setting up a Community Energy  
group in Wokingham Borough



# What is Climate Resilience?

The ability to **prepare, respond to and recover** from the impacts of climate change.



# What the Experts are telling us – the CCC's latest report

*"The UK was built for a climate that no longer exists today"*

— A Well Adapted UK, Climate Change Committee report May 2026



Intensifying  
Heat



Growing  
flood risk



Drought and  
Wildfires

# What the Experts are telling us – the CCC's latest report

We have the solutions. What's missing is speed and scale.



Cool – protect people from heat



Protect – prepare for flooding



Manage water – plan for drought

“Taking action today is cheaper than taking action tomorrow”



**What have you noticed? What worries you the most?**

# What communities like Swallowfield can do

 Flood group & natural flood management – keep going!

 Manage green spaces for climate benefit – meadows, ditches, hedgerows

 Know your neighbours – community networks save lives in emergencies

 Cool homes, warm homes – practical household steps

 Consider a Neighbourhood Plan resilience starts in planning policy

 Community energy – local generation, local benefit



# Thank You!

Any questions?