



Climate Adaptation in Practice

We are the sustainability adviser for the leaders of the West Midlands.

- We were created in 2002 as a not-for-profit company.
- Our Board is private sector led and has cross-sector representation.
- Our role is to act as a catalyst for change through helping leadership in strategy, delivery and innovation.

We catalyse this change by:

- Running several events a year for our nine good practice networks, including the



- Working closely with our 58 members, who come from a variety of sectors (from large corporates to small community groups).
- Undertaking independent reports, research and consultancy to numerous clients that align with our sustainability priorities.
- Monitoring progress against our 2020 vision: *“by 2020 businesses and communities are thriving in a West Midlands that is environmentally sustainable and socially just.”*

Today's workshop is run in partnership with one of our members:



**Environment
Agency**

Aims of today

- Become up to speed with the national landscape and policy with regards to climate adaptation, including opportunities for input.
- Hear from good practice examples of adaptation strategies and measures being implemented across different types of organisation.
- Have an opportunity to network and share ideas on good adaptation practice and ask questions of fellow practitioners.

09:15 Refreshments and networking

09:35 Welcome

- **Good practice examples**
 - National Flood Forum
 - Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust

- **The national adaptation landscape: overview from Defra**

10:40 Refreshments and networking

- **Good practice examples**
 - Cambridge City Council
 - Adapting the economy: LEPs and core cities

- **Climate change and the role of the Environment Agency in adaptation in the West Midlands**

11:45 Discussion, Q&A and concluding thoughts

12:15 Lunch and networking

13:00 Climate Just training workshop commences

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