

## What is Transition?

Transition is a community-led response to pressures of climate change, fossil fuel depletion and increasingly, economic stagnation

It all starts off when a small collection of motivated individuals within a community come together recognising several crucial points:

- The predicted gap between future oil demand and available supply will force us to reduce the use of oil
- It is clear that climate change is producing more erratic, severe and damaging weather events worldwide
- Increasing world population will make these issues more difficult to plan for

Independent actions can only go so far and local community action is vital to persuade politicians that they have public support for the necessary policies

The national Transition Network website can be viewed at:

<http://www.transitionnetwork.org/>



## What is 'peak oil'?

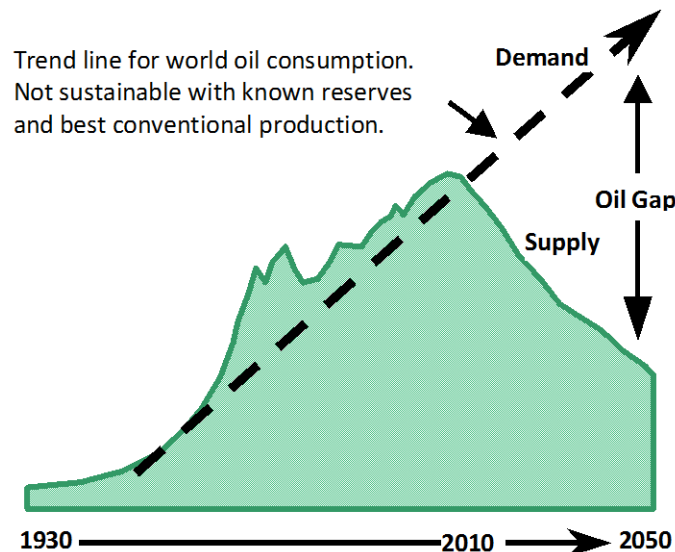
Peak oil is the point when the extraction of oil from dwindling reserves can no longer keep up with increasing demand and introduces an ever-increasing shortfall in supply

The increasing rarity of oil and the growing demand will significantly increase its price, and, the price of products made from oil eg plastic, fertiliser, food, fuel, clothes - in other words, the items that we have come to depend on as part of every-day life.

## When will we reach peak oil?

Most scientists and oil companies recognise that peak oil will be reached within the next 10 years.

In February 2010, Sir Richard Branson and fellow leading businessmen warned UK ministers that the world is running out of oil and faces an oil crunch within five years



## Will the Transition movement make a difference?

Yes. The idea of local people joining together in their communities to take some action and control is really taking off. Transition is the fastest growing social movement in the world with groups established throughout the UK, Europe, the United States, Australia, Canada and New Zealand

**Transition's primary focus is not campaigning *against* things, but rather on positive, empowering possibilities and opportunities**

**Change is happening** – our choice is between a future we want and one which happens to us. We need to create a vision of a more positive lifestyle and then work together to make it happen.

## We are convinced that:

- If we wait for the governments, it'll be too little, too late
- If we act as individuals, it'll be too little
- If we act as communities, it may just be enough, just in time

## What is the ETNet Hub Group?

**Your** local group. It aims to support everyone living or working in the Borough of Eastleigh to plan for a 'transition' from our current total dependency on fossil fuels - to support our local economies and move towards a more viable and sustainable future. This includes supporting our local producers and businesses.

### ETNet meets monthly and aims to:

- Act as a focus and initial contact point
- Encourage and support new locality and theme groups to get established
- Help spread new ideas between locality and theme groups
- Organise events including film shows and guest speakers to raise awareness of the significance of peak oil and how to reduce dependency on fossil fuels
- Raise funds to promote the aims of ETNet.

**Website:** <http://www.etnet.org.uk>



## What can I do?

**Get involved....** Here is a list of current groups, projects and activities that you may be interested in joining. More projects are being established as membership grows.

If you're interested in starting a group in your area contact the Membership Secretary.

- **Locality groups:** Transition Chandlers Ford and others around Eastleigh Borough
- **Food Group:** Community Farm Project, Tree-Planting, Local Food Directory
- **Conservation & Biodiversity:** Bee Corridors, Pond projects, Woodland restoration
- **Plastic Bag Free Eastleigh Group**
- **Information Stall at Local Events, Talks**
- **Green Film Showings, School Eco Projects**
- **Sustainable Local Transport Group**
- **Energy Advice Group, Sustainable Buildings Partnership**

***Come and join us!***

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**Website:** <http://www.etnet.org.uk>

# Introducing Eastleigh Transition Network



- **Adopting a sustainable lifestyle**
- **Reducing our dependency on oil**
- **Combating climate change**

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