

## Feedback EnCaf Meeting – Faith Groups

Thinking about last evening's meeting, are we wanting something bold from the Faith Leaders such as this (very roughly 'borrowed' from [greenfaith.org](https://greenfaith.org)):

As Faith Leaders in Enfield, we recognise that the Climate Emergency represents a grave and urgent threat to humanity, the global environment, the most vulnerable among us, and future generations. Our religious and spiritual traditions call us to care for each other and for earth. However, the scientific consensus is powerful and direct: without incredibly ambitious and rapid action, we face brutal environmental disruption that will cost millions of lives, displace hundreds of millions from their homes, impoverish countless communities, and badly degrade ecosystems that support life. The most vulnerable among us will suffer worst, despite having contributed least to the problem.

To stabilise the climate at a level that is still dangerous but short of catastrophic levels, greenhouse gas emissions need to fall to a net zero level by 2050. This is an unprecedented challenge for humans, and it needs to happen immediately.

As people of faith and spirit we will support a response based on compassion, love and justice and ask that Enfield Council's response must:

- Be urgent and ambitious, meeting the scale of the problem at the fastest possible rate.
- A mobilisation of resources at least at the scale of the response to the coronavirus pandemic is needed.
- Be holistic. It must transform our local energy, transportation, food and water systems, our buildings and infrastructure, and economic systems.
- Invest in the training of workers, job placement, and a commitment to well-paid jobs. It must support re-training, so that those who have built the foundation for today's economy aren't hurt by the transition to a new economy.

As Faith Leaders in Enfield, we commit to:

- Promoting these issues within our own faith communities, starting with our own policies and practices.
- Holding the Council to account on these matters.
- Working with all people, of faith and none, to achieve these aims.