







Dear Resident,

Do you want to save on your energy bills and generate your own clean electricity? Having your own solar panels and battery storage to power your home with clean energy can be a smart investment. The West of England Combined Authority is pleased to be partnering with South Gloucestershire Council on Solar Together West of England, offering you the chance to buy your own solar panels and battery storage at a highly competitive price. Producing your own renewable electricity will reduce your household energy bills, carbon emissions and you'd be playing your part in supporting our region's shared ambition to reach net zero carbon emissions by 2030.

Solar Together West of England - buying solar panels and battery storage made easy.

Solar Together is a group-buying scheme that helps you through the process, keeping you informed at every stage. Installations will generally not need planning permission. However in some cases, such as in Conservation Areas and on Listed Buildings, planning permission may be required. For planning advice please visit www. southglos.gov.uk/solar.

Do you already have solar panels installed? You can also register to have battery storage added to your existing solar panels to maximise the benefits of your system. For more information please see the leaflet accompanying this letter.

How does it work?

- 1. Register without obligation: by Friday 27 October via www.solartogether.co.uk/south-gloucestershire
- **2. Auction:** our approved solar installers will bid for the work in a reverse 'auction'. The most competitive offer, from these pre-vetted installers, wins the auction.
- **3. Personal recommendation:** you will be emailed a personal recommendation for your home based on the details you provided during registration. This will include the costs and specifications for a complete solar panel installation.
- **4. You decide:** the decision is then yours as to whether you want to accept your recommendation. There is no obligation to continue. You will have four weeks to decide.
- **5. Installation:** if you accept, the winning installer will contact you to survey your roof and set an installation date. All installations are planned to be completed six months after accepting.

For detailed information about likely costs, the amount of energy you can expect to generate, and lots more go to www.solartogether.co.uk/south-gloucestershire

We trust this initiative will be of interest to you. The more people that participate, the better the price we can secure and the more renewable energy will be generated by West of England residents.

Kind regards,

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PS: if you are already registered, thank you for taking part! You do not need to do anything, and you can ignore this letter. No personal data about recipients has been used in the creation of this mailing.