Intro to Community Energy

An Introduction to Community Action on Energy (Webinar)

Getting Started with Community Energy (Guide)

What is Community Energy? (Videos & Infographics)

What is Community Energy? (Leaflet)

10 Step Guide to Setting Up a Community Energy Group

Community Energy Contacts (National)

Community Energy England – Representative body for CE Orgs in England – guidance, case studies, campaigns, funding advice – all CE advice you could imagine (nb. I wouldn't recommend using the the CE map)

Energy Learning Network – collaboration across community energy bodies w/ tonnes of resources, including mentoring programme

Community Energy GO – support, advice and connections from other CE Orgs

Centre for Sustainable Energy – Bristol based charity with resources, guidance and advice across energy poverty, retrofit, community energy & more

Ashden Climate Solutions – great for case studies and guidance for community energy

Local Energy Scotland – manage Scotland's Community & Renewable Energy Scheme – loads of resources, case studies etc

Ynni Cymru – Welsh representative body for CE Orgs. Lots more on Shared Ownership here Egni Coop

Great British Energy Local -Local Power Plan – capacity building & financial support to increase community ownership of, & benefit from, renewables

Regen – renewable energy think tank with focus on communities and just transitions

Community Energy Contacts (Regional)

South West Net Zero Hub – technical support & guidance for CE Orgs. Currently manage the GBE CEF fund – so can help and advise lots with this

Cornwall & Isles of Scilly Community Energy Network – newly formed central hub for all things Community Energy for Cornwall and Isles of Scilly.

Community Energy Plus – Free, impartial, independent energy advice charity providing support for: energy efficiency, fuel poverty, retrofit, community and renewable energy.

Communities for Renewables – Cornwall-based, UK-serving asset management for CE orgs. Technical, Financial and Project Management experience.

Cornwall Climate Action Network - not community energy centred but has a directory with other CE Orgs in Cornwall

Community Energy Resources

Scaling Community Energy – Four Key Lessons – Power to Change

The Role of Community Energy in a just transition to Net Zero – Power to Change

Solar PV on third-party roofs – clarifying roles to unlock community projects - Regen

Demystifying planning consent for community-led renewables – Regen

A second wind: Unleashing the potential of repowering - Regen

Making your Community building energy efficient – CSE webinar

Widening Participation Toolkit - CSE

Community Energy How-To Guides CEE

Funding Community Energy

Funding your Community Energy project - CSE

Community Business Market Report 2022 – Power to Change

CEE – Electricity generation

What is P442?

Community Energy Business Models & Case Studies

CEE Technologies & Business Models (Scroll down to 'dedicated pages on different technologies')

Manchester – UK Community Energy Business Models: Key Facts

Intro to Community Shares

The Community Shares Handbook

How Communities can fund and sell their own powerv

Exploring funding initiaives for community energy projects (webinar)

Behind-the-meter (BtM) rooftop solar PV

- Power Purchase Agreement/ Virtual Power Purchase Agreement [lease]
- Pay-as-you-save [soft loan]

BtM energy system guidance – Welsh Gov

PPA's for Community Energy explained (webinar)

Pay-as-you-save – model explained, Chester Community Energy (diagram is useful)

Asset ownership – ground-mount solar, wind, batteries, hydro, etc

Local Energy Club – Energy Local model explained

Shared Ownership – can apply to new or repowering commercial assets
What is Shared Ownership? LES & (Video)
See tables at bottom of this PDF

Electric Car Club - Case Study Setting up a community EV car club Nadder Community Energy

Solar EV Charging – Brighton Energy Cooperative Solar PV & EV Charging Report

Solar as a Service – Hackney Light & Power

Community Flex – Bath & West Community Energy Flex Trial & Final Report

Other great case studies:

Egni Coop - Rooftop PV

Bath & West Community Energy - ground-mount solar, community rooftop solar, home energy advice, heat-pump assessment, local supply

Low Carbon Hub Oxford - ground-mount solar, community rooftop solar, R&D/Innovation projects (e.g. sustainable transport, building retrofit), hydro, shared ownership

Energise South Downs - generation, research & consultancy, shared ownership

Energise Barnsley – Solar *as a service?* On social housing

Plymouth Energy Community – ground mount solar + fuel poverty support with strong local authority connection

Ambition Lawrence Weston – Community-owned wind turbine

Ynni Teg – mixture of fixed assets, community rooftop solar, and R&D

Power to Change – Community Energy Innovation Case Studies & Reports

Community Energy Governance

Cooperatives UK – A comprehensive guide to..running a sustainable community enterprise

Is a Co-op right for you? Events & Webinars

Legal Structures for Community Cooperatives

The Community Shares Handbook

- 2.1.3 Choosing between society types
- 5.5 Choosing your governing document

Choosing a structure & registering your organisation

CEE – Business, Governance & Financial Management

GSE Net Zero Hub – Community Energy Governance

Community Energy Orgs Cornwall

Chacewater Community Energy

Fal Energy Partnership

Roseland Environment Action Community Team (REACT)

Wadebridge Renewables Energy Network (WREN)