

**Transition Streets**  
**Facilitators guide for session 7**  
**What's Next?**



**What do we want to achieve and why?**

**Key aim:** To allow the group to give themselves permission to share their habits and explore issues deeply honestly and openly.

**Facilitator Tips:**

- Send a reminder to the group 1 week in before the meeting.
- Take 2 mins just before you start to ask yourself ‘what do I want to achieve in this session and why?’
- Spending time warming the group up first makes brainstorming objectives more productive and running through the workbook less dry.
- Some groups already know each other well and may need less time warming up.
- The confines of a living room often mean breaking rules about good workshop practice. For example, breaking into sub groups and moving around doesn’t work so much. If people feel they are back at work or school, they may resist engaging.
- We suggest that you have the group agreements from the previous meeting written up and posted on the wall during the meeting. You may want to review them as a group at the beginning of each meeting.
- Try to draw everyone into the conversation. Give everyone a chance to speak.

**To bring:**

- Your own TS workbook
- Flip chart & pen – at least 3 sheets:
- 1 titled ‘actions & progress from last session’;
- 1 ‘chapter highlights’;
- 1 ‘what’s next’

<p><b>Gather, welcome, warm-up</b></p> <p><i>One idea for a warm-up activity: Brainstorm a list of your neighborhood’s assets (neighbors, skills, tools, community garden, etc.), and then come up with a list of things you’d like to see in your neighborhood (fewer cars, more bikes, a CSA program, etc.).</i></p>	<p>10 min</p>
<p><b>Review actions &amp; progress from previous session</b></p> <p>What actions have you taken since the last group session related to transportation?</p>	<p>15 min</p>

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<p><b>Evaluation forms</b></p> <p><i>Give participants time to fill out the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the evaluation form (they filled out the first half of the form during the first meeting). Say to participants that they have “15 mins” but allow for 20 mins if needed. The coordinator should collect the evaluation form and mail them to Transition US office at PO Box 917, Sebastopol, CA 95473. We are keeping track of the overall impacts of the program and will use the evaluation forms to continue improving and providing support for Transition Streets.</i></p>	<p>20 min</p>
<p><b>Where to now?</b></p> <p>Think about and discuss where you will go from here, either on your own or with some or all of your group. Will you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to complete the basic actions?</li> <li>• Come up with new actions?</li> <li>• Share skills like canning, sewing, growing food, etc.?</li> <li>• Get more involved with Transition or other local community groups?</li> <li>• Engage your local government around sustainability issues?</li> <li>• Develop an emergency preparedness plan for your neighborhood?</li> <li>• Tell your friends about Transition Streets?</li> <li>• Start a Transition Initiative in your community?</li> </ul> <p><i>Go around the group sharing what people would like to do next, taking some time to talk about next steps if there are any future group projects/actions that emerge from the conversation.</i></p>	<p>30 min</p>
<p><b>Celebration!</b></p> <p><i>The rest of the time is left open for you all to celebrate having completed Transition Streets in whatever way you see fit (cake? Food? Informal conversation?)</i></p>	<p>45 min</p>