

Transition Timeline Kingston

Created by all the participants at the Big Launch party 17 April, 2010

1980	<p>Beacon Centre for environmental concern (1989). Save the World Club. Kingston Wholefood Co-op (bicycle delivery of organic vegetables) (1988).</p>
1990	<p>Knollmead permaculture site established. KUTLETS (Kingston upon Thames Local Exchange Trading Scheme). Kingston establishes first Green Fair.</p>
2000	<p>Fair Trade Town designation for Kingston (2005). Kingston Permaculture Network formed (2008). Transition Town Kingston formed (2008). Kingston Seed Swap "Seedy Sunday" starts (2009). Parkfield community garden created (2009). Kingston Forest School.</p>
2010 (now)	<p>Lefi Ganderson and the Seething Festival . Transition Town Kingston unleashed (17 April 2010) -- six new working groups formed. New TTK Steering Group formed. First community electric vehicle exhibition. Local box scheme takes off. Rapid increase in garden share. Home grown leak and potato soup autumn festival in Seething. Oil prices rising.</p>
2011+	<p>Kingston Environment Centre moves to new home and starts new activities. The "Lighter Later" campaign succeeds: 500,000 tonnes of CO2 saved in first year. Natural Play developments reconnect children with nature. Forest gardens put in school grounds. Plastic bags banned at last. Community supported agriculture supplies Kingston with fruit and vegetables from within M25. Transition City London suggested. Kingston farmers market opens. Kingston joins "River of Flowers" scheme for continuous wild-pollinator habitat across UK. Green Olympics. Beginners' allotments -- small size manageable plots created. Bio diesel microlight travel becomes fashionable. 30% of local buildings are "one planet living" certified. Asian hornet decimates honeybees in Kingston. Production of lighter than air aircraft starts. Local farmers provide allotments space. Funding for mass insulation projects. Richmond and Bushy Park venison and Petersham Fields beef becomes available for local residents. 80% of waste recycled. Uncertified palm oil is banned. Sandal sales soar in the latest heatwave. Total flights reduced as airtax doubles and three Icelandic eruptions close UK airports for 30 days. Chessington farm trained in community support agriculture (CSA). Norbiton farmers' market opens. Kingston schools start Meatless Mondays. TTK circulates first consultation draft of Energy Descent Action Plan. Chessington farm launches CSA scheme. All schools have vegetarian option every day. TTK circulates second draft of Energy Descent Action Plan. Fuel prices, rail freight, car-clubs and Kingston's tough congestion controls, make the freest roads since the 1960s. Due to meat costs and popular demand Kingston schools have three meatless days per week.</p>

	<p>TTK publishes Energy Descent Action Plan. Kingston is certified a “sustainable forest”. TTK launches ten CSA schemes in east Hampshire and west Surrey.</p>
2015	<p>One in five households belong to car club. Domestic tourism in Kingston hits all-time high: riverside cycling, sailing, rowing, salmon watching and Crayfishing. Transition town Old Maldon is unleashed. TTK introduces local currency. Sailing around the world becomes new young fashion. Otters are seen all along the Hogsmill. Domestic gas supply is cut off due to privatisation of essential services (e.g. hospitals). Meat consumption down 20% from 2010. Car use is down 50% plus due to rises in petrol prices. 80% of home owners with gardens grow half of the fruit and vegetables they require. Planners decided that all new homes are to be self-sufficient in energy. Knollmead Permaculture Reserve is 25 years old. All local schools must have guided tour. 100% community owned and managed Waste to Energy plant. All Chessington farms are Soil Association and Permaculture Association certified. Devaluation of the pound. TTK is 10 years old in 2018. Appliance recycling is now one of the biggest job sectors. Use of recycled construction materials achieves 10% CO₂ saving. Government declares global peak oil has been reached.</p>
2020	<p>The Guildhall is a zero carbon. Wind generators on top of council tower blocks. 25% of energy supply is off grid and decentralised. Rate reduction for all homes with a garden pond. Local nut harvest. Car ownership is down by 80%. Agriculture displaces physics as "most respected degree". Parkfield's 10th anniversary: first primary school gardeners come back from college to celebrate.</p>
2030	<p>Last public flight leaves Heathrow. Kingston completely self-sufficient in energy.</p>
2040	<p>Major storm surge over tops Thames Barrier: large areas of central London and Ham Riverside are flooded. Refugees are accommodated in Kingston.</p>
2050	<p>Scotland exports first case of "champagne" to France.</p>