



Dear Resident,

Do you want lower your energy bills by generating your own clean electricity? We are working with Solar Together Kent to offer residents high-quality solar panels, helping them to save money while reducing the District's carbon footprint. Solar Together Kent is a group-buying scheme, which brings households together to get high-quality solar panels at a competitive price.

Solar Together Kent - buying solar panels and battery storage made easy.

Solar panels can seem complicated but buying a solar system doesn't need to be daunting. Solar Together is a group-buying scheme that helps you through the process, keeping you informed at every stage. Most installations don't need planning permission however in some cases, such as conservation areas or listed buildings, it may be required. If you are unsure, please visit www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/planningpermission.

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. Registration:** you can register before 15 March for free and without obligation at www.solartogether.co.uk/sevenoaks. To register you simply provide details about your roof, such as its size and orientation. The more people that register, the better the deal should be for each household.
- 2. Auction:** on 15 March 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:** from 4 April you will be emailed a personal recommendation for your home, based on the details you provided during registration. This will include the costs and specification 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 until 13 May to decide and will be invited to an online information session prior to this end date.
- 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 by the end of October 2022.

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

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 Kent residents.

Kind regards,

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Leader of the Council

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