



Climate Action Stokesley and Villages update 18th December 2020

Hello

Thank you to all those that provided input to our online session on trees. We will create a new page on our website with the presentations and recordings in early January. Remember to check out the recent additions to our website with the start of new sections on [suppliers of local/sustainable food](#), [recipes](#) and [reusing materials](#). Thank you to the Food and Waste groups for sharing their suggestions including the ideas for Christmas decorations and presents from Kate shown in the photos below.



We are now signed up to receive updates from the Local Enterprise Partnership on their work on creating a Negative Carbon region. They have suggested that we take part in the [North Yorkshire County Council budget consultation](#), deadline Monday 11th January. They also shared [Eco friendly Christmas tips](#) from Friends of the Earth and [ways to reduce waste at Christmas](#) from North Yorkshire County Council's Waste Management team including:

“A common question is: can Christmas wrapping paper be recycled? Most wrapping paper is acceptable providing it passes the “scrunch” test. To do the test, squash the paper into a ball in your hand. If it keeps its ball shape, it can be recycled. If it bounces back, it cannot be recycled. Wrapping paper that doesn't pass the scrunch test will have a high foil or plastic content, so would contaminate other recycling. Wrapping paper that can't be recycled can be put in the general rubbish bin, from where it will be sent to the county's Energy from Waste facility.”



Whilst we have a break over the festive season, here are some [quiz questions \(with answers\)](#), to download, put together by Anne, to have a go at yourself or share with family and friends. Jack took some of the questions and used them to create a quiz for students at Stokesley School. The quiz was used with all the form groups apart from year 10 to encourage more students to think about the environment and hopefully join the school's Green Group which is going to start having meetings in January.

Our next online meeting will be on **Tuesday 19th January**, starting at 7:30pm. A link and agenda will be sent out nearer the time.

Here's to a better New Year.

Caryn Loftus, on behalf of the Climate Action Stokesley and Villages Steering Group