



Climate Action Stokesley and Villages update and log in details for meeting 15th December 2020

Hello

Our next online meeting will be on **Tuesday 15th December**, starting at 7:30pm. The central topic is **planting and keeping trees**. There will be a variety of short presentations including tree planting in Stokesley, Hutton Rudby and Ingleby Greenhow and input from a local resident who is lucky enough to be planting their own wood and another who has developed a forest garden. There will be information about funding for planting trees and a discussion about finding suitable land, which trees might be appropriate to plant and managing the planting afterwards.

Finally, as a reminder why we should look after the trees we have we will look at the ongoing Ancient Tree Inventory, an initiative which records the ancient and old trees across the country. Some very local trees will be used as examples.

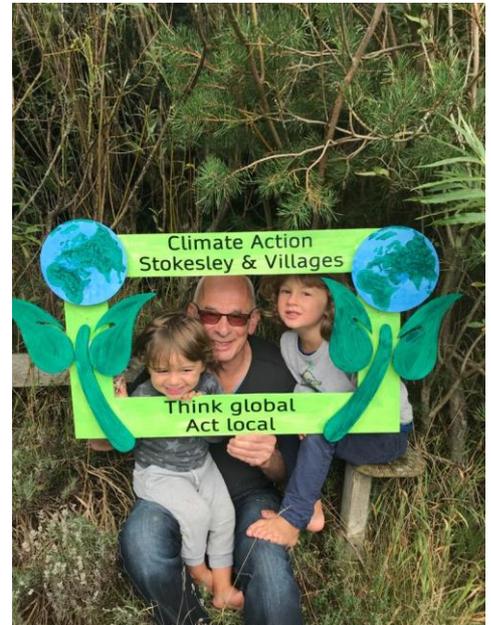
Here is the link for the meeting:

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Zero carbon

The Climate Coalition's 10 point plan for a green, healthy and fair recovery

Ahead of the UK Government's 10 point plan for a green industrial revolution, The Climate Coalition launched its own [10 Point Plan](#), together with 70 organisations. This plan sets out a programme of action to get the UK on track to net-zero emissions and show global leadership ahead of hosting COP 26, the United Nations climate summit due to take place in Glasgow next year.

10 Point Plan for a green industrial revolution

The UK Government published its [10 Point Plan for a green industrial revolution](#) on the 18th November, as they set out how to rebuild the economy after the devastating Coronavirus pandemic.

Following our **Build Back Better** group letter to our MP, Rishi Sunak, our group is on the list to have a 10-minute slot with him at one of his online surgeries. We are waiting to hear what format might be possible.

These plans are very high level and therefore not very detailed. Several members of the group took part in the **Towards a Carbon Negative York and North Yorkshire** event run by the York and North Yorkshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) to explore becoming a carbon negative region. The event shared the draft Building on the Carbon Abatement Pathways study, which is a detailed routemap to becoming a carbon negative region. We have shared the slides from the event with our sub-group leaders so that they can see what is proposed. We have expressed our interest in hearing more and will keep you updated as to how we can be involved.

North Yorkshire Schools Carbon Reduction Officer

We made a number of useful contacts during the LEP event e.g. did you know there is a NYCC schools carbon reduction officer, Peter Bell, who works with schools delivering environmental education with a [range of useful resources](#), including a [video](#) introducing the idea of food miles to children? If you know of any schools that might be interested, then they can get in touch with [Peter](#) to access the free service.



There are so many events happening online it is difficult to keep up and decide which to take part in. Recently **Tees Valley Nature Partnership** held a 2-day conference on **Nature and the Climate Emergency**. If you are interested to find out more about what is happening in the Tees Valley then you can access the [videos](#) from the event.

CASaV website updates



As we aren't able to hold face-to-face events at the moment, this week we are adding more information to our [website](#), including ideas from the food, waste and energy sub-groups such as recipes, recycled Christmas decorations and presents, a Green Christmas quiz and where to buy sustainable food. Also, at our last meeting we agreed to change the name of the Environment sub-group to the Nature sub-group as this describes the work of the group better. Please share any ideas you have via the website or by [email](#).

Climate Conversation

Toy Bank - George asked us to let you know that, "last year a very successful toy bank inspired by CASaV was run, wherein unwanted toys were given away to any child/family who needed them. I know from anecdote that many recipients were truly deserving and indeed most grateful. There is, as well of course, a most obvious contribution to waste reduction and the environment. The mantle of running this year's event has been taken on by Rotary. Collection day for unwanted toys was on Friday 4th and distribution day is **Saturday 12 December in the Town Hall**. Any financial contributions given will go to Zoe's Place and as last year, any toys remaining will go the Woman's Refuge in South Bank.

Eileen asked us to share the following event '**Speak Up for Aid, Development, Climate Change and Global Solidarity**' hosted by Bond, which is the UK network for organisations working in international development.

"The fallout from COVID-19 and the increasing threat of climate change is leaving millions of people around the world in extreme poverty. If coronavirus has taught us anything, it's that we've got to work together in solidarity - and we need to stand up and make our voices heard. Do come to this session to find out how you can take action to stand up for international solidarity and use your voice to speak up for a greener, fairer future for our world. Come along to meet like-minded people and share your ideas - Anyone can change the world!"

The event will be hosted on Zoom. To get the link you need to sign up to the event via [Eventbrite](#).

COP 26: Enough is Enough

Finally, I found this [music video](#), produced by [Oi Musica](#), and the idea behind it very inspiring. Has any music inspired you recently?

Over the past few months, Karine Polwart, folk singer/songwriter has been writing for Edinburgh street band project, Oi Musica, and the city's Soundhouse Choir, as part of a community-based musical provocation around COP26, the UN Climate Conference which will take place in Glasgow next November. She says, "the conference is the most important international gathering of global heads of government to address the climate crisis. It's a huge deal for Scotland, and the UK, to be hosting it.



Our piece takes inspiration from two sources - the city of Glasgow's coat of arms, drawn from the mythology of its patron saint - and the ethical and ecological principles behind the [Wellbeing Economy Alliance](#).

This first stage of our project was intended as a pilot to test out ideas with a handful of community music groups who already know each other. It's had a viral reach vastly beyond our expectation or intent. There's great beauty in this. We have interest in participation now not only from groups in Scotland and the UK but across the globe, from Denmark to the Dominican Republic and New York State to New Delhi.

As a small team, we are though very aware now of how white and able-bodied our pilot participants appear on screen in our first pass film, and how unrepresentative these combined faces and voices are of Scotland's diverse population, and the global nature of COP26. We intend to set that right going forward, and to encourage a much broader range of participants, and collaborative partner organisations next year. Please do connect with Oi Musica if you're interested in getting involved, as an individual or member of a group."

Take care of yourself, each other and the planet.

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