



# Friends of the Earth

## GREETINGS FROM OXFORD!

Well I've settled in quite happily here at Oxford Brookes University to continue my architectural studies. When I first arrived by train in September, I was greeted by hundreds of bicycles parked outside the Oxford station, far more bikes than you get on the platform at Bristol Temple Meads, and yet Oxford is so much smaller!

You may know that cycling is my predominant mode of transport, and Oxford City Council (one of five Councils in Oxon) have done well in providing sheffield stands, cycle lanes and advanced stop lines for cyclists. Not all is rosy though. Some of the road surfaces are appalling, and I thought Bath was bad! Across the county our taxpayers' money goes into building more and more roads to the detriment of maintaining the roads we already have.



Oxford – City of Bikes

Oxford also has a large number of deliberate traffic calming humps and bumps which are a bane to myself on two wheels, but overall may be beneficial in reducing motor traffic speed in certain streets to the benefit of pedestrians. Walking should be our most cherished form of transport.

I'm pleased to say that my University has some good environmental policies. Every student gets a FREE annual bus pass linking the three campuses and the city centre together. This is part of a green transport plan, which includes loads of bike racks, cyclist showers, secure bike lockers etc. Car parking is severely restricted on campus and in the surrounding residential streets in order to support the free bus service.

The university has a range of recycling policies as well, though I did complain (and copied to the Uni environment email list) to the computer services office because they were printing 'header' pages (student name and print job/time) for every single print job (thousands every day) on "quality" paper!

Since my complaint, computer services have contacted me twice to say that the university is now procuring 80-100% recycled paper for use throughout the campus in all departments, and "lower grade" paper is being used as header pages! An excellent result!

My first few weeks here were spent living in a 60's tower block university Hall of Residence. Every bedroom has three-inch thick concrete panel walls in places, no insulation, and no control over the radiator. How bad is that in terms of energy conservation??? My new room however is built in a 90's block, considerably better insulation standards, but not top-notch efficiency.

I was not pleased to hear that one of John Prescott's senior advisors on proposed new national housing standards has just resigned (Dec 2005). He was disgusted because the intended energy-reducing "green codes" will not be compulsory, houses will not have to be built near public transport, and land ecology assessments will not be required.

All the more reason for everyone, including readers of this newsletter, to keep striving for a better environment for ourselves and future generations. Write your letters to your MP and your Council authority, and continue to support your local Friends of the Earth group!

Oh, and finally, Oxford City Council have just voted to install a large wind turbine in their authority to increase the quota of renewably-generated electricity in the area!

Chris

## NEW VENUE FOR MEETINGS!

We now have a new venue for our monthly meetings. Future meetings – starting with the AGM on Tuesday 31st January – will be held upstairs at The Rummer (opposite Pulteney Weir.) The time and dates for regular meetings remains the same – the final Tuesday of each month, at 7.45. Look forward to seeing you there!

## SMALL STORES WIN ROUND TWO AGAINST SUPERMARKET GIANTS

The Office of Fair Trading has been forced to reconsider supermarket dominance of the grocery trade following successful legal action in November by the Association of Convenience Stores backed by FoE.

The OFT had rejected the ACS' request in August, but this decision was overturned in the Court of Appeal.

The stranglehold of supermarket buying power forced about 2,000 small shops out of business last year, as well as many farmers, leaving consumers with less choice, particularly for buying local food and supplies.

The Competition Commission's review of the grocery trade some years ago noted that supermarkets competed with each other, therefore why worry? In 2000 the

Competition Commission seemed to acknowledge that Tesco was abusing its power, but, hey, there is a voluntary supermarket Code of Practice, so problem solved.

But a cursory comparison of supermarket pricing by any sensible shopper (rather than an expert in fudging statistics) showed then and shows now how closely they follow one another. We now have fewer supermarkets than five years ago, and even fewer buyers in some food sectors, such as meat.

And supermarkets have been snapping up convenience stores as fast as they can drive them out of business.

So the prospect of a full review of competition in the food sector is welcome, as long as it is much more thorough than the last.

In an opaque statement to the parliamentary All Party Small Shops Group inquiry in mid-November, the OFT's Chief Executive John Fingleton appeared to intimate that the OFT could not address the "social and environmental issues" surrounding the future of the High Street.

Why not? Competition or lack of it has both social and environmental consequences. Does everyone have to drive a car to some out-of-town location to get food? To undercut local farm prices, the big supermarkets import food of the kind we produce here from all over the world, adding to global warming, destroying the local economy here and in the third world, where small farmers are being pushed off the land to make way for big business.

### Action:

- Buy from your local convenience store and other small food retailers
- Buy local food
- If possible go by bike, bus or foot rather than by car
- Email Alan Johnson, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, from National FoE's website ([http://www.foe.co.uk/campaigns/real\\_food/press\\_for\\_change/tesco\\_takeover\\_dti/](http://www.foe.co.uk/campaigns/real_food/press_for_change/tesco_takeover_dti/)) and press for a legally binding Code of Practice for fair trading here and overseas, an independent regulator, and support by national and local government for local shops.

**Susan Trill**

## THE HUMAN CHEMICAL

At the supermarket checkout consumer choice comes first with healthy looking packaged foods marketed to sell glitzy, bright and foolish fun but the side-effects are hell

Then one day just as you are going out to play carcinogens, pesticides and insecticides STRIKE

Disease abound dangers lurk and before you know it you feel such a berk

Deadly chemicals daily consumed used as weedkillers, causing hormonal disruptions to be found in cosmetics, household and gardening products yet you have become the victim of the Human Chemical

Instead look for the logos and descriptions of the food to see if the label lives up to its mood so that as a consumer you know the choice is good

**Marie-Claire Oliver**

*Marie Claire is one of the contributors to the anthology "Writing the Land", as mentioned in our autumn issue. The book (whose proceeds go to Friends of the Earth) was edited by Kevin Manwaring, but Marie-Claire has asked me to also acknowledge the many local writers who contributed to it.* Vicky

## JOANNA MACY

### THE GREAT TURNING

After the agricultural and industrial revolutions we are now at a point of ecological revolution.

FUTURE GENERATIONS will look back on these closing years of the twentieth century and call it the time of the Great Turning. It is the epochal shift from an industrial growth society, dependent on accelerating consumption of resources, to a life-sustaining society.

Lester Brown of the Worldwatch Institute says that, while the agricultural revolution took centuries and the industrial revolution took decades, this ecological revolution

must happen within a few years. Such a revolution will have to be more thoroughgoing and will involve not only our political economy, but also our attitudes and habits that sustain it.

Scientists, at least those who are not in the pay of the corporations, see more quickly than the politicians that there is no technological fix. No magic bullet (not even the Internet!) can save us from population explosion, deforestation, climate disruption, poison by pollution, and wholesale extinction of plant and animal species. We are going to have to want different things, seek different pleasures, pursue different goals, than those that have been driving us and our global economy. New values must arise now, while we still have room to manoeuvre. And that is precisely what is happening. They are emerging at this very moment, like green shoots through the rubble. It's not in the headlines or the evening TV news, but if you open your eyes and fiddle a bit with the focal length, you can see it.

THE GREAT TURNING is occurring on three simultaneous levels. On the most visible level are the actions in defence of Earth. They include all the political, legislative and legal work required to slow down the destruction of Earth. This level also includes direct actions such as blockades, boycotts, civil disobedience and other forms of refusal to participate in that destruction. Work of this kind helps save biological and cultural systems, and the gene pool. But by itself it is insufficient to bring about the sustainable society.

The second level of the Great Turning addresses structural causes of the global crisis, and creates sustainable alternatives. Only a couple of years ago, it was hard slogging to raise any opposition to, or even interest in, GATT (the Global Agreement on Tariffs and Trade); but now people are rapidly becoming aware of the rape of the world, and the attack on democracy, built into corporate privilege. At the same time new and sustainable social and economic arrangements are mushrooming, from local currencies to local marketing and consumer co-operatives, from ecovillages to renewable, off-the-grid energy generation. They may look fringe, but they hold the seeds of the future.

These nascent institutions cannot take root and survive, however, without values to sustain them. They must mirror what we want and think we are. *That* paradigm shift -- at the third and most basic level of the Great Turning -- is happening all around us. Some choose to see it as an influx of spirit from above, others as "hitting bottom" in our doomed and addictive society. Either way, we are opening our senses to the web of relationships, in

which we have our being. Like our primordial ancestors, we begin again to see the world as our body and as sacred.

WE HARDLY HAVE words for the cognitive, spiritual and perceptual revolution, that is occurring now at a stunning speed. These lines from the late Californian poet Robinson Jeffers catch some of its flavour:

*I entered the life of the brown forest,  
And the great life of the ancient peaks, the  
patience of stone,  
I felt the changes in the veins  
In the throat of the mountain, and, I was  
the streams  
Draining the mountain wood; and I the  
stag drinking: and I was the stars,  
Boiling with light, wandering alone, each  
one the lord of his own summit, and I was  
the darkness  
Outside the stars, I included them. They  
were a part of me. ... how can I express  
the excellence  
I have found, that has no colour but  
clearness;  
No honey but ecstasy...*

We can't tell which will happen first, the final unravelling of life on Earth, or the moment when the elements of a sustainable world cohere and catch hold. But even if the Great Turning fails to carry this planetary experiment of ecological revolution onward through linear time, it still is worth it. It is a homecoming to our true nature.

Just a thousand years ago a theologian wrote a poem. Amidst the apocalyptic fears and hopes of the first millennium, he experienced and expressed a new vision of the holy -- not as a remote, justly angry judge, but as an immanent presence, creative and loving. Now at the end of the second millennium, we can receive his poem and let it speak to our own inklings of that which presses within us to be born. So attend now to Symeon the Theologian (949-1022), knowing that where he said "Christ" and "God", I am substituting "Earth" and "planet":

*We awaken in Earth's body  
as Earth awakens our bodies.  
And my poor hand is Earth, she enters my  
foot, and is infinitely me.*

*I move my hand, and wonderfully my hand  
becomes Earth, becomes all of her  
(for our planet is indivisibly whole,  
seamless and her planethood).*

*I move my foot, and at once she appears  
like a flash of lightning.  
Do my words seem blasphemous? Then  
open your heart to her,*

*and let yourself receive  
the one who is opening to you so deeply.*

*For if we genuinely love her,  
we wake up inside Earth's body*

*where all our body, all over,  
every most hidden part of it,  
is realized in joy as her,  
and she makes us utterly real,*

*and everything that is hurt, everything  
that seemed to us dark, harsh, shameful,  
maimed, ugly, irreparably  
damaged, is in her transformed*

*and recognized as whole, as lovely,  
and radiant in her light,  
we awaken as the Beloved  
in every last part of our body.*

**Scott Morrison**

## TALK ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE!

Friends of the Earth's campaigning helped bring about a major breakthrough at the international climate talks in Montreal, which took place in early December.

There is a great deal of complexity behind what has actually been agreed, but in a nutshell some of the more important things are:

1. A raft of decisions have been taken regarding the rules that will govern the Kyoto Protocol, for example on compliance and the working of the Clean Development Mechanism.
2. A review will be launched of all the Kyoto arrangements and the Convention that gave rise to it. This will among other things form a bridge whereby actions from all countries can be discussed (not just the industrialised nations).
3. A weak but politically important dialogue has been opened under the Convention.
4. Most importantly, the industrialised countries have agreed to start talks right away on the cuts they will deliver after 2012, that is, after the first phase of the Kyoto agreement.

This last point is significant to FoE as it was the main campaign aim for the year internationally on climate change and has been the focal point for lobbying and activism.

This agreement has restored credibility to Kyoto and restored belief in the future of this style of agreement. It's a huge blow to a U.S. administration which has endlessly

worked to peddle the belief of the impossibility of such agreements.

In his statement following the talks, Tony Juniper said, "Our repeated message that countries should stand up to Bush, our pressure on the UK to remain firmly behind Kyoto, our public activism and media work have all contributed. The mosaic that we put together became a widely used image of the conference, even the BBC website front page used it as their closing picture of the conference."

FOE campaigned alongside colleagues from Greenpeace, WWF and others with very few strategic or policy differences. This bodes very well for what can be done both nationally and globally in coalitions in the years ahead.

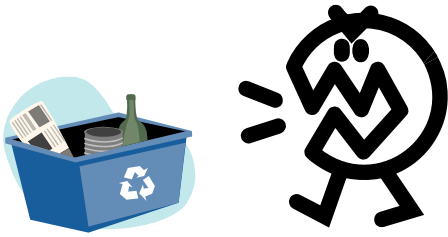
Jubilant Juniper concluded, "Those who have said that this level of agreement was impossible have been proved wrong. Those who sought to destroy international agreement on climate change have just lost the most decisive campaign of all. We have a great deal to do in the years ahead, but now at least we will be campaigning on far more solid ground than we had even a month ago."

**Laurie Radford**



Whilst most of the hard work by FoE was carried out at national and international levels, FoE supporters from all around the world joined fellow activists in contributing to the mosaic wall of messages, that was taken along to Montreal and displayed for all to see and take note. At the FoE local groups conference in Reading in September, Chris, Scott, Carla and Vicky turned artistic and produced a good few tiles to add to the wall. **Here's Carla, with one of her creations, surrounded by messages from other local groups.**

## WHY IS RECYCLING SO COMPLICATED?



I am not the only one who gets it wrong. B&NES, apparently, is the country's top recycling authority, but plenty of recyclable material goes into the general rubbish. Why? One reason is that there are two doorstep collections on the same day by different operators at different times. Another is that one is fortnightly and the other weekly. A third is that the leaflet proudly adding the fortnightly cardboard and garden waste service gave us the wrong Wednesday.

New tenants moved into one of the flats in my house in mid-September and they put their recycling out dutifully on the Wednesday, having read the leaflet on the notice board. There were lots of boxes from their move and probably new things they had bought for the flat. This was not collected, and it seemed that we were being punished because nothing else, no glass, paper, plastic bottles or cans were either. This is unusual. All the other green bins in our road had been emptied. One other house further down had lots of cardboard, all neatly tied up, left by the railings.

I complained to the Council's Action Line and they referred my email to the Council recycling service. Then I discovered that the leaflet about the fortnightly cardboard and garden waste collection had given us the wrong dates. Another round of emails and the recycling service told me they were not aware of this B&NES leaflet. They sent me a new set of dates.

But wait a minute: If they didn't put out the leaflet, how did they expect anyone to know which day was cardboard day?

So I tried a few more Wednesdays and still no joy with the cardboard. At least now the rest goes as it did before. But we have a lot of cardboard – from headache tablets, among others! It would be really nice for my nice kind neighbour not to have to drive it down to the dump, which he does when it hangs around.

Yet more frustrated and frustrating emails and I've discovered that the cardboard recycling is a separate service and the cardboard can only be put out on the day

of collection before 8 am. Why do they make it so off-putting? I am a night owl and late morning person.

I don't think my new neighbours have used the doorstep recycling since that first fiasco. Do they drive to recycle, or maybe they just don't bother any more?

I used to live in Belgium, which was never a very eco-friendly place, but it knocks the socks off Britain for recycling. It did weekly doorstep collections nearly 30 years ago. Bottles did not have to be washed, paper did not have to be clean. Cardboard did not have to be tied up or flattened. People put it out quite willingly because it didn't cause them endless grief. The recycling service collected it all, except for plastic, without a murmur of dissent. And it proved a profitable business the money from which was used to fund local services.

A decade or so ago Belgian laws enforced recycling. You had to separate your rubbish at home, parcelling it up in separate coloured bags for different types of recycling and the remainder that could not be recycled. That remainder, which went to landfill, was remarkably small.

Why couldn't we do that here?

**Susan Trill**

### LEAVE NOTHING BUT (SMALL) CARBON FOOTPRINTS

While you need to have been in denial (yes, Mr President) to be unaware of the impact our lifestyles are having on the environment, this issue tends to throw up a veritable mountain of statistics. Here are just a few major statistics concerning carbon emissions, showing what individuals can do to improve their own Carbon footprints and giving a few websites where you can get further information.

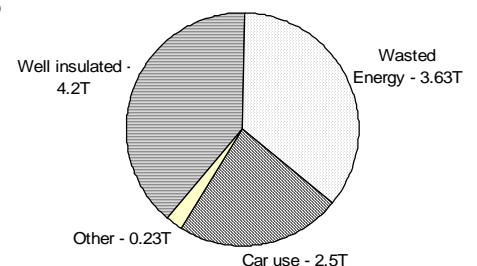
Rising levels of CO<sub>2</sub> in the atmosphere constitute the greatest single threat to the future of our planet and all who live on it. CO<sub>2</sub> levels are now the highest for 650,000 years ([www.news.bbc.co.uk](http://www.news.bbc.co.uk)). The Kyoto protocol is designed to reduce carbon emissions from most of the industrialised countries by 5.2% by 2012, and the UK Government plans to further reduce emissions by 60% by about 2050 ([www.parliament.uk](http://www.parliament.uk)), but is this just spin? By some accounts (Lovelock) the rate of increase of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions is still rising: Through most of the past half-century, levels of the gas rose by an average of 1.3 parts per million a year; in the late 1990s, this figure rose to 1.6 ppm, and again to 2ppm in 2002 and 2003. More recent

unpublished figures show a current rise of 2.2 ppm. Not good.

Most climate models show a projected rise in mean global temperatures of 5-8° C by the end of the century resulting from this increase ([www.met-office.gov.uk](http://www.met-office.gov.uk)). In high latitudes, such as Britain, the rise is likely to be toward the top of this range. The warming seems to be proceeding faster than anticipated. Clearly the effect of this will be more than just advancing the date of the first cuckoo sighting – more likely even greater climatic disasters than those seen recently, coupled with a rise in sea level which would submerge many (current) coastal areas. Clearly, the earth needs every little bit of help it can get. It is, after all, our only home.

The majority of this help will have to come from government rules, and at least all political parties are now indicating they are concerned by the problem. Groups such as FoE clearly have had an impact on government thought and need to continue to track actions as well as words. The forthcoming debate about the nuclear power option will provide ample opportunity for this.

But what can each one of us really do practically? One of the best places to start is by calculating your own Carbon Footprint and finding appropriate measures to reduce it (one of the easiest to use comes from [www.bp.com](http://www.bp.com), Yes, even a multinational oil company thinks we should be concerned). The graph derived from this below shows average annual UK household emissions of 10 Tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> and their breakdown.



The majority of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (7.8 Tonnes) are produced within the house and these correspond directly to energy consumption unless you use some form of green power. Of this, about half (3.63 Tonnes) is wasted by the typical poorly insulated house, while a well insulated house can expect to generate only 4.2 Tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>.

So good house insulation and energy efficient appliances are the best thing you can do for the planet and for your own wallet and comfort in the longer term.

This includes:

- double glazing
- cavity and roof insulation
- draft reduction
- the use of energy-efficient appliances
- the use of low-energy light-bulbs, which can even be turned off when not in use!

Obvious isn't it? And yet only 30% of UK households even use energy-saving light bulbs and UK houses are the worst insulated in Europe.

Car use (for a typical single family car driven the average of 8,700 miles/year and costing an interesting £5,000/year (RAC)) is about 25% of household energy use. Obviously the increased use of, bicycles, walking and even the rip-off Bath public transport at a pinch would reduce this. Equally obvious, the use of a gas-guzzling 4WD would increase this enormously, but then if you are driving one of *those* you are unlikely to be reading this anyway.

Air travel has a surprisingly heavy impact on CO2 emissions – a single round trip from the UK to southern Spain will generate 1.4 Tonnes of CO2, to New York 4.25 Tonnes and to Australia (ouch) 10 Tonnes – equal to the average annual household emissions.

One method offering great potential for reducing both car usage, pollution and traffic congestion, while saving you money and letting you avoid First bus charges is car sharing organised via the internet ([www.2carshare.com](http://www.2carshare.com) and [www.liftshare.org](http://www.liftshare.org)). This could lead to the making of new friends and even, who knows?, potential house-sharing! One final statistic: household size in the UK decreased from 2.9 in 1971 to 2.3 today. Get together people! Another way of saving energy is local warming.

*Richard Bridger*

### Website update

We're planning to re-vamp the Bath FoE website and would appreciate any comments or suggestions you have on what you would like to see on it and how you would like to use it.

Check out [www.bath-foe.org.uk](http://www.bath-foe.org.uk) and e-mail any thoughts to Vicky: [v270167@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:v270167@yahoo.co.uk)

## HERE'S A NOVEL IDEA!



If you love to read, but like to own your own books, but don't want to destroy any more trees by buying brand new, but can never find the book you want secondhand in the charity shop, then you should check out Green Metropolis.

It's an online second-hand book store, selling all sorts of books - not just novels - all priced at £3.75, with free postage and packaging.

You search on the website for the book you're looking for, by title or author. All books are listed as either 'Acceptable', 'Good', 'Excellent' or 'As New' condition. You can also sell your books through Green Metropolis, for £3, as long as they are in reasonable condition. I bought a few just-published best-sellers last year, in as-new condition.

You have to sign-up and set up an account, but the service is free – just like the main online book stores.

Plus – for each book recycled through the site, Green Metropolis donates 5p to The Woodland Trust – in 2005, donations totalled £1974.50.

Check out the website on [www.greenmetropolis.com](http://www.greenmetropolis.com).

*Vicky*



## BOOK REVIEW:

### **A Life Stripped Bare by Leo Hickman**

**Published by Transword Books (Eden)  
ISBN: 1903919614**

"Is it possible, in the twenty first century, to lead a 'normal' life – to have a job, kids, a mortgage, holidays in the sun -but at the same time to be respectful to the planet and the people who share it?" asks Leo, who many may know as a columnist for The Guardian.

Starting with a visit from three environmental auditors (one of them FoE's Head of Campaigns Mike Childs), who take a critical look at every aspect of his life and home, Leo chronicles his first year

of (trying to) living ethically. He doesn't just install low energy light bulbs and order a weekly organic veggie box, but re-thinks family holiday plans, taking the train to a walking holiday in Italy; persuades his builders to use environmentally sound methods and materials; concocts his own natural household cleaners...

Leo's account is informative, heartwarming, practical and amusing and makes you feel that you're not alone, when others think you're over-obsessed with caring about the planet!

(Unfortunately not yet available on Green Metropolis!)

*Vicky*

## Other snippets:

You won't have seen Bath FoE activists out on the streets so much lately (although there have been a few pictures in the Chronicle), but that doesn't mean we've been lazy.

We're continuing to support Bristol FoE's campaign to stop the expansion of Bristol Airport - for more information on this campaign, go to:

[www.nobristolairportexpansion.co.uk](http://www.nobristolairportexpansion.co.uk).

There's been much behind the scenes activity, involving planning and regional strategies. A big thanks to Helen for her attendance at numerous council meetings – with Helen on the case, they can't forget about us! Scott's made his presence known too.

In September, Sue, Susan and Dave S attended a meeting with Malcolm Rifkind and local conservative councillors and plans are being made to work more closely on local projects with them.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> December, Steve, Dave S, Marie-Claire and Rachel and a coachful of Bath students joined an estimated 10,000 campaigners in London on the Climate March, organised by the Campaign Against Climate Change (for more on this campaign, go to:

[www.campaigncc.org](http://www.campaigncc.org).

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# DIARY 2006

## February

Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	Green Drinks, upstairs at The Rummer 8.30 pm
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays, Bath Abbey 10.30 am Norton St Philip, Tellisford Canal, 25 miles, pub lunch. Tony Ambrose 01225 312961
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup>	ICE lecture series, University of Bath Sustainable procurement – Training the Public Sector. 01225 386156
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	Bath Cycling Campaign. Upstairs at The Rummer. 7.30 pm
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays Bath Abbey 10.30am Doynton via the Golden Valley. 20 miles. Pub lunch. Steve Lambeth 01225 462064
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>	ICE lecture series, University of Bath. Biodiversity, Human Health & Quality of Life. 01225 386156.
<b>Tue 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bath FoE monthly meeting 7.45pm Upstairs at The Rummer</b>

## March

Sun 12 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays Bath Abbey 10.30am Norwood Farm, Wellow, Monkton Combe. 25miles. Tricia 01373 474086
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup>	Green Drinks, upstairs at The Rummer 8.30pm
Tue 14 <sup>th</sup>	ICE Lecture series, University of Bath Practical Sustainable Development: the challenge of long term strategy in day to day Government. 01225 386156
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	Bath Cycling Campaign. Upstairs at The Rummer. 7.30 pm
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays Bath Abbey 10.30am Mystery ride. Erica 01225 837944
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup>	ICE lecture series, University of Bath. Decarbonising the UK. 01225 386156.
<b>Tue 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bath FoE monthly meeting 7.45pm Upstairs at The Rummer</b>

## April

Sun 9 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays Bath Abbey 8.00am Phil's early morning ride via Dyrham & Marshfield. 25 miles. 8 am start, back around midday for soup at Phil's. Phil 01225 464625
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	Green Drinks, upstairs at The Rummer 8.30pm
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Bath Cycling Campaign. Upstairs at The Rummer. 7.30 pm
Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Recycle Your Sundays Bath Abbey 10.30am Stanton Drew. 25 miles. Pub lunch. Paul 01373 466185
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	ICE Lecture series, University of Bath Call 01225 386156 for further details
<b>Tues 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Bath FoE monthly meeting 7.45pm Upstairs at The Rummer</b>

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Biodiversity, Habitats and Open Spaces	Vicky Stone Sue Board	335962
Climate & Energy	Helen Woodley Vacant – contact co-ordinator if interested	

Bath FoE meets on the last Tuesday of each month upstairs at  
The Rummer, Grand Parade (opp. Pulteney Weir)  
Meetings start at 7.45pm. **All are welcome.**

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