

# A Sustainable Future for Cheshire West and Chester?

A series of presentations by members of Chester Climate Change and Sustainability Ginger Group and others.

14:00 to 17:00pm Friday 22nd January, 2010

Room CBB115, Best Building, University of Chester

Radical changes to society, economy and lifestyles will be necessary to mitigate and adapt to the combined impacts of climate change, peak oil and international inequalities. Planning for a more sustainable future requires the integration of long term vision with identification and communication of the steps by which we may get there. This event attempts to provide an outline of both with an emphasis on communication and awareness raising.

## Programme:

### Friday 21st January 2010

14:00 -14:10 Arrival and registration.

#### Visioning the Future

14:10 - 14:40 Keynote presentation: *Vision2050 A Sustainable Future for Cheshire West and Chester* Tom Barker.

#### Identifying and communicating action

- 14:40 - 15:10 *Developing resilience in a small urban community* Bob McCombe and Stefan Nicholls.
- 15:10 -15:40 Opportunity to get refreshments and network in the nearby Westminster Building cafeteria.
- 15:40 - 16:00 *Ashton Hayes Going Carbon Neutral* Roy Alexander.
- 16:00 -16:20 *Chester Cycling Demonstration Town* Mary Gillie.
- 16:20 - 16:40 *Sustainable Blacon* Ged Edwards.
- 16:40 -17:00 General discussion/debate and opportunity to identify projects for the local and wider area.

Each of the speakers will cross-reference to the others to demonstrate how the examples link closely to the vision.

17:00 - 21:30 Food and Film (The Age of Stupid). Wesley Church Centre (WCC).

### Saturday 23rd January 2010

- 10:30 - 15:30. BTCV - Environmental information and display. Wesley Church Centre (WCC).
- 10:30 - 15:30. Continuous showing of Eco-Education short films.(WCC).
- 10:30 - 15:30. Composting Information/Advice available from Cheshire Composting Team. (WCC).
- 10:30 - 11:00. Solar Power presentation by Solar Twin. (WCC).
- 11:00 - 12:00. Drawing Workshop led by Mary Hill. (WCC).
- 11:30 - 12:15. Bike Maintenance Workshop presented by The Bike Factory. (WCC).
- 12:30 - 13:30. Successful Gardening Workshop led by Andrew Lambie and Ester Sloggett. (WCC).
- 12:30 - 13:30. Yoga/Meditation by Lisa Foden. (WCC).
- 13:45 - 14:15. Solar Power presentation by Solar Twin. (WCC).
- 14:00 - 15:00. Drawing Workshop led by Mary Hill. (WCC).
- 14:15 - 15:00. The Importance of Bees presentation by Cheshire Beekeepers Association. (WCC).
- 15:00 - 15:45. Bike Maintenance Workshop presented by The Bike Factory. (WCC).
- 15:30 - 16:30. Yoga/Meditation by Lisa Foden. (WCC).
- 15:30 - 17:30. Energy Descent Action Plan presented by Stefan Nicholls. (WCC).

Throughout the day there will be information, displays and advice available from Solar Twin, Cheshire Beekeepers Association, BTCV, The Bike Factory and Cheshire Composting Team.

19:00 - Late. Ceilidh at All Saints Church, Hoole. Organised by Diana Wilderspin-Jones

### Sunday 24th January 2010

- 11:00 Cycle Rides: (a) 23 miles (b) 10 miles. Meet Northgate Arena. Contact Simon Brown: 01244 403960 [simonwbrown@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:simonwbrown@dsl.pipex.com)
- 13:00 – 17:30. Be the Change Symposium presented by Andrew Herbert, Diana Wilderspin – Jones, Mike Arundale and Clíodhna Mulhern followed by soup, bread and cake, suggested donation £5pp. Wesley Church Centre (WCC).