

Minutes of Transition Horsham Meeting on 26th May 2011

For our May meeting Clare Davison hosted a “Green Movies” evening at Sedgwick Park where we watched two environmental DVD’s - “The Findhorn Ecovillage” and “The Story of Stuff”. We also enjoyed refreshments and had time to catch up socially and discuss forthcoming events.

Findhorn Ecovillage

Findhorn is a pioneering low carbon Ecovillage. Established in 1985 it has its own wind turbines, eco-buildings, solar water heating systems, allotments, permaculture garden, bakery, dairy, chickens and car pool sharing. It also has its own bank and currency. The carbon footprint of the village is now half that of the national UK average. This was very interesting showing how the Findhorn community are striving to be sustainable and “live within their limits”.

The Story of Stuff

This was a brilliant short animation narrated by Anne Leonard about the effects our consumerist society has on the environment and people’s lives. Definitely a “must see again” film!

Forthcoming Events:

Green Drinks - 8th June at The Crown, Carfax. Drop in from 7.30p.m.

Human Nature Garden - The Human Nature Garden in Horsham Park will be formally opened on Saturday 18th June by Jean Griffin at 12.30p.m. Jean Griffin trained as a horticulturist at Kew Gardens, she lives locally and is a very keen supporter of Horsham in Bloom. TH and HOGS will be sharing a stall at the event. Gates are open 12.00 - 5.00p.m.

June meeting - 23rd June (one week earlier than usual) when we will review the last 6 month’s events and discuss the planning for the Community Eco-fair which we are hoping to run, in conjunction with Greening Horsham, in the Autumn.

28th July - Green Movies evening at Sedgwick Park (to be confirmed).

Date of next meeting: 23rd June - 7.45p.m. at the Friends Meeting House, Worthing Road, Horsham.