

Eastleigh Transition Network (ETNet)

.....be part of a sustainable future.



Be part of it -

There isn't a magic formula for how moving towards greater local sustainability will work in Eastleigh Borough - so everything is possible. Everyone is very welcome to bring his or her ideas and to join in. You, and your friends, members of groups, businesses and organisations are all invited to be part of the first steps towards a lower carbon Eastleigh.

Just a few examples that could be looked at:

- Growing our own food
- Greener economical living
- Plastic bag free Eastleigh
- Better public transport

Whatever your interests please get involved. A **Public Meeting** will be held at **Chamberlayne Road Scout Centre, Eastleigh SO50 5JH** on **Wednesday 25th November 2009**, starting at **7:00 pm**

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.....We hope you will join us in this exciting journey!

What is Transition all about?

Transition initiatives aim to tackle the challenges of **Climate Change** and '**Peak Oil**' - offering a possibility for people to make a gradual 'transition' towards living in low carbon communities, and so helping to reduce our reliance on oil and other fossil fuels.

Climate Change is due to a warming of the atmosphere, which is altering weather patterns, sea levels and other aspects of the planet, and changing our way of life. Climate change is caused mainly by manmade carbon emissions from using fossil fuels.

'**Peak Oil**' is a point in time when maximum oil production is reached; after this, oil production declines and oil becomes scarcer and more expensive. Many other natural resources that we rely on are also near to peak or maximum production, and will become less easily available in future.

The aim of a Transition Community is to become resilient to the impacts of Climate Change and Peak Oil. Building strong connected communities that work cooperatively, sharing their knowledge, skills, interests and experience also helps to improve our ability to adapt to change. Producing and sourcing goods and services locally helps to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels for our supplies.

We need to grow our food without oil-based fertilisers and pesticides. Restoring natural habitats, soil fertility and biodiversity is important: as nature provides benefits of pollination, composting and pest controls. Using ideas from Permaculture (working with nature) helps us in the move to a more locally sustainable and environmentally responsible future.

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