

Sustainable Winster so far

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Mission:

- To promote energy conservation and recycling within the Winster Parish.
- To persuade District and County Councils to lead by example through the adoption of innovative projects targeted at; energy reduction, use of renewable energy sources, recycling and energy generation from waste.

Projects So far:

- With support from The National Park provided recommendations to village shop committee on energy saving
- Conducted an energy survey in association with the Energy Savings Trust – 30% response
- Providing free loan energy consumption meters
- Providing a light bulb library
- Free to a Good Home – residents recycle unwanted equipment etc.
- Supporting school to get EcoSchool status
- Arrange recycling of plastic film
- Article in the village magazine with energy-saving comments that were made at the Climate Change Awareness Day by residents.
- Influenced choice of new Christmas Tree lights for the village tree

Climate Change Awareness Day on 21 October 2007

- Opened by Matthew Parris who made his own carbon footprint
- Display of how to make composts
- good lunch versus bad lunch boxes
- Examples of re-using everyday household items
- Carbon Footprint Challenge organised by National Park Rangers
- Displays by BTCV, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, National Trust and Friends of the Peak District
- Refreshments using Fairtrade products
- Flipchart where people gave waste-saving tips
- Example of a dripping tap

Next Steps

Workshop on 26 January – How to keep your Home Toasty Warm:

- Roof and cavity insulation
- Examples of secondary glazing
- Demonstration of cling-film ‘glazing’
- Practical work shop on making sausage dogs and lining curtains
- Draught proofing
- Availability of grants
- Underlays – display of products from Derwent Carpets
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Petition to be submitted to Derbyshire Dales District Council and Winster Parish Council in early January asking for green compost to be collected from all of the village.

Website to be fully functional

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