

# SUSTAINABLE·WARWICK·NEWSLETTER

5<sup>th</sup> October 2020

## Warwick News

### Climate Emergency Declaration: One Year On

The University has celebrated the one year anniversary of its Climate Emergency Declaration with updates from:

- Chris Ennew, Provost;
- Rupert Lawrie, Commercial Director, Campus and Commercial Services Group;
- Parves Islam, Director of Transport and Future Mobility; and
- Luke Mephem, President, Warwick Student Union.

There were updates on the following. To listen and find out visit the [website](#).

A new bus route costing only  
£1/single

A new Car Club Scheme

A Demand-Response transport  
network

Reductions in single use cups and  
cutlery

Purchase of 100% fish from  
sustainable sources

1,000 meals sold through  
TooGoodToGo

### UN Sustainable Development Goals Annual Report

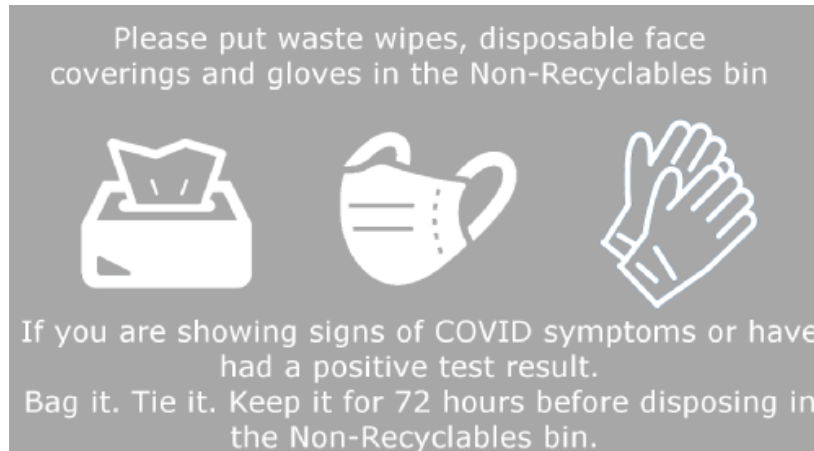
The University has launched its first annual report on our progress towards the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The report introduces a range of case studies covering teaching and students, research, public engagement and operations. The report was launched at an event introduced by the Provost, Chris Ennew, and included panel discussions followed by a Q&A. The [event](#) can be viewed online and the [report](#) can be viewed in full.



ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19 WARWICK

## COVID-19 Waste Announcement

As many of us return to campus we are all being reminded of the various measures the University has in place to help keep us safer including 2m distancing, disposable face covering and one way systems. You might also be wondering what to do with your gloves, tissues and disposable masks (hopefully many of you will be reducing your environmental impact by wearing reusable masks and washing them).



Please ensure you put wipes, disposable face coverings or gloves in the Non-Recyclables bins when you are out and about on campus; DO NOT LITTER.

## Pay As You Feel Market

New arrivals to campus this year had the chance to grab a bargain at the University's second Pay As you Feel Market, which had a wealth of items from saucepans to coats, and from cutlery to clothes airers, all collected previously by RAWKUS. It was held over five days to assist with social distancing and was a great success with over 450 people attending and more than £1,800 being raised for Emmaus.

Emmaus supports people to work their way out of homelessness, providing meaningful work, training, support and a stable home for as long as someone needs it. Items left over have gone back to Emmaus for their shop and for a potential project with the Council to get items to people who are going into new homes with nothing.



## Paperclip Sales Site

Warwick SU have teamed up with Paperclip to offer a secure buy/sale site for the Warwick University Community. The website is [www.warwick.paperclip.co](http://www.warwick.paperclip.co) and there is also an app which can be downloaded from apple or android app stores.

## Transport updates

Have you seen the various transport updates? Visit the [Estates Transport](#) pages and to summarise:

<b>Now</b>	<b>Soon</b>
New bus service	Car Club rental scheme
Car parking changes	Demand, Response Transit Service
Increased pedestrian space	Other sustainable transport options

# Events

## 24 Hours of Reality: Countdown to the Future – 11<sup>th</sup> October

Join Warwick University's Climate Reality Campus Corps and our Sustainability Champion David Chapman this Sunday as they host one of the many events for Climate Reality's Worldwide 24 Hours of Reality: Countdown to the Future. This is an online event, free tickets and open to everyone. More details and ticket links can be found via the [events page](#).

## Cut the Flow Ambassador training –14<sup>th</sup> October

Students living in on campus accommodation are encouraged to join the Energy and Sustainability Team for one hour on **14<sup>th</sup> October** to learn ways to reduce energy and water consumption in your accommodation. These will be very useful things to know when you are living off campus and paying your own bills. Attendees will be signed up as Cut the Flow Ambassadors and thereby encouraged to share their learning and enthusiasm for positive environmental change with others. You will in turn be involved in online promotions, communication with your accommodation (online) and possibly some face to face events on campus; these will be great skills to have on your CV. [Booking is essential](#).

## Staff Green Champions lunchtime meeting – 12<sup>th</sup> October

Join us at the next Green Champions lunchtime meeting to find out more about what's going on at the University, including travel and transport both now and in the future. If you are currently registered as a staff Champion you will automatically have received an invite, if not, email [sustainability@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:sustainability@warwick.ac.uk).

## World Innovation Challenge (WIC) – 9<sup>th</sup> October

48 hours. 3 Sustainability Challenges. £2000.

- An opportunity for 45 Warwick students to work in a GLOBAL team with Monash University students to create a business idea that tackles a key sustainability challenge 📣
- Starting on the 9th of October, you will work online for 48 hours to make a business plan that solves one of 3 sustainability challenges.
- The best Monash-Warwick team will win £2000/\$4000 to kickstart your business idea (or you can keep it!) and a place in Enactus Warwick's Advance Accelerator 🏆
- Every participant will walk away having upskilled, a richer understanding of sustainability in business, certificate of completion AND exclusive merch (so you can rep WIC all year round!)
- Don't have any experience in business or sustainability? We welcome students of ALL experience levels and backgrounds 👤🎓
- You will receive guidance, keynote talks and mentoring from industry experts and leading entrepreneurs throughout the 48 hours to ensure that you have developed the key skills needed to submit the business plan via a short video.

Registrations will close on the 5th of October. Everyone must register individually but you are allowed to apply with a maximum of 2 other people which you should highlight in the application.

Connect with passionate young people around the globe. Develop your business skill set. Create impact.

👤📄 **REGISTER HERE:** <http://bit.ly/2020WIC>

**COMMENCEMENT TIME/DATE:** 9:30am BST, 7:30pm AEDT, Friday the 9th of October

# Opportunities

## Volunteer with the Energy and Sustainability Team

The Energy and Sustainability Team are currently looking for a student to volunteer for 3-4 hours per week to support the Team with creating regular/daily social media content. The student will require a working knowledge of the various social media platforms and have an interest in sustainability. There may also be an opportunity to create marketing materials such as posters so experience of using Canva would be useful.

Volunteers will be required to sign a Volunteer Commitment Form.



Instagram

## Societies

There are plenty of societies to get involved with this year and many of them are also open to staff. This includes a new society formed over the summer: Warwick Plogging.

What is plogging? It is a mixture of jogging and litter picking. Great for anyone who is looking to get more exercise but also make a positive contribution to action tackling litter (did you know the UK spend over £1 billion a year picking up litter?!)

We have lots of off campus groups tackling sustainability. Check out the [Sustainability Hub](#) for more information.

## Green Champions

The [Green Champions](#) network consists of staff and students who are passionate about sustainability and sharing their enthusiasm with others. There are more than 200 staff Champions and over 600 student Champions. Staff are invited to a termly lunchtime meeting and engagement sessions are also planned for students. Sign up to be a Green Champion to receive a regular newsletter with the latest University news, upcoming events and opportunities to get involved.

## Warwick Green Action

Warwick Green Action is entering its third year and is an initiative designed to empower teams to make positive environmental changes within their area. There are 15 teams across the University lead by staff Green Champions who are keen to involve interested students. Teams are provided with a checklist of ideas which help to embed sustainability and support is provided by the Energy and Sustainability Team. Find out if there is a [Warwick Green Action team](#) in your area.



# News and events from further afield

## Coventry Recycling Survey

Last year Coventry City Council collected over 23,000 tonnes of recycling from blue lidded bins across the city. This represents around 18% of all waste produced by residents. The Council are currently encouraging people to undertake a short 2 minute survey to help them improve the services they deliver and to ensure that residents are able to participate fully and confidently in the recycling service. **The deadline for responses is October 14<sup>th</sup>.**



### David Attenborough provides his Witness Statement

Sir Attenborough has recently released a new program to BBC and it has been launched on Netflix on 4<sup>th</sup> October called '**Life On Our Planet**'. This is his Witness Statement looking at the climate and ecological emergency facing us from his perspective and 90+ years' worth of experience.

We would like to recommend that everyone watches it (with box of tissues to hand) and shares it with others.