

SUSTAINABLE·WARWICK·NEWSLETTER

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Warwick News

Green Week

Join us next week for Coventry and Warwickshire Green Week, running from 7th - 13th March! With over 40 events to get involved with, both on and off campus, and online, increase your knowledge of Climate Change and sustainability issues, and learn how to take action!

Events running include a clothing Swap Shop on the Monday, our Sustainability Fair on the Wednesday, the Warwick University Sustainability Summit on the Thursday, and much, much more! Learn what you can do to help our planet!

For more information and to check out events and book tickets visit: www.greenweek.coventry.domains and www.facebook.com/GreenWeek2022

#GreenWeek2022 #WeAreGreen



Bronze Hedgehog Friendly Campus Award

Join us on the Piazza on Wednesday 9th March, where we'll be celebrating our Hedgehog Friendly Campus Launch! We'll be there from 11am until 3pm, with a number of different activities to get involved with.

Learn about our recent Bronze HFC Award, and the plans being put in place to help us achieve the Silver accreditation, and how you can get involved with this. Learn too about general information about Hedgehogs in the UK and how we can help them in our own homes too!

Food Action Week

Globally, around a third of all food produced is wasted, contributing to around 8-10% of global greenhouse gas emissions. Yet around 10% of the global population are malnourished and do not have access to food. While the amount of food from UK households a year is equivalent to flying from London to Perth over 4.5 million times. Food Action Week is all about spreading awareness about how we can reduce food waste! From freezing food before it goes out of date, to meal prepping and tasting/smelling food instead rather than relying solely on best before dates, it all makes a difference! Learn more about this important week [here](#).



International Women's Day

It's International Women's Day on the 8th March! [International Women's Day](#) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women, and rallying together for gender equality. The campaign theme for 2022 is #BreakTheBias. There's a number of events happening on campus for this campaign – [check them out here](#). There will also be an [Environmenstrual Talk](#) online as part of Green Week – where Rebecca Evans will talk about period poverty and period taboo.



Events

Sustainability Fair

Visit our [Sustainability Fair](#) on Wednesday 8th March, between 10am and 4pm, in the SU Atrium! There will be number of different stalls and stands to have a look at and get involved with. Visit the Sustainable Society stands, to learn about the work they're doing on campus, and how you can involved with Sustainability at Warwick. There will also be a transport stand, with the opportunity to ask any questions you may have for the transport team, as well as a number of external groups and workshop.

Sustainability Summit

We'll be hosting a [Sustainability Summit](#) in OC1.05 on Thursday 9th March, from 6pm! With a range of speakers from all areas of Sustainability, and the University, this will be a great way to learn a bit more about the important Sustainable work being conducted on campus, and further afield. There will also be a chance to network and talk with speakers and other attendees at the end – drinks and food will be provided! If you can't make it to campus, join via our teams link and listen to the event online.



Vegan Chilli and Disco Smoothie

[Climate Reality](#) will be on the Piazza, making vegan chilli on Monday 7th March, and smoothies on Tuesday 8th March as part of Green Week. Visit their stall on these days between 10am and 3pm, to grab a bowl or cup – pay as you feel with money going to charity!

Vintage Clothes Sale

[Warwick Line](#) and [Warwick Clothes Circuit](#) are collaborating to run a Vintage Clothes Sale! Visit the sale in the Neighbourhood in Leamington Spa, on the 9th March from 5pm-8pm, for music, drinks, food and loads of cool clothes!

Drop off your clothes at one of the collection points before, to get a £5 discount during the sale! Collection points will be on the 6th March anytime between 11am and 4pm, or the Piazza on the 7th March anytime between 12am and 3pm. Visit the event page for more information!

Sustainability Talks

There's a number of different talks happening throughout Green Week, both online and in person! Visit our [Facebook page](#) or [website](#) for more information about these. This includes Sustainability 101 and Sustainability102 – where you'll learn some simple changes you can make in your daily life to live more sustainably. This also includes a Climate Reality talk, by Climate Reality Leader David Chapman, who has received training from Al Gore. Plus Extinction Rebellion are delivering talks about their science of the climate and ecological emergency and enormity of the situation we are facing. There's loads more talks throughout the week – check out the Green Week Pages for more information!

Warwick Presents: One Night of Wander

A one-night only extravaganza of light, performance and fun! Join Warwick Presents on the 12th March from 4pm – 9pm, for a Window Wanderland trail around campus! This will include a new bespoke huge window in the Warwick Arts Centre, talking recycling bins, smoothie bikes, performances by Highly Sprung on the Piazza, a food market and a live laser projection artwork from the roof of Rootes Social Building! For more information, and to book tickets, [visit the event page](#).



Preventing plastic pollution: Tackling avoidable plastics in laboratories

This is a free webinar on the **8th March from 10am-12pm** to learn about how to reduce avoidable plastics in your laboratory. Hosted by the Environment Agency, this webinar will include insights from a University College London sustainable labs expert and two case study examples. The event will include tips and links to resources to help you review and reduce plastic use in your lab. Register your interest [here](#).

Research Seminar: Dr Priti Parikh, Associate Professor at the Bartlett School of Sustainable Construction

This event is **15th March 2022, 1.30pm**, Scarman Conference Centre.

The seminar will be a fascinating talk by Dr Priti Parikh, Associate Professor at UCL's Bartlett School of Sustainable Construction. During the talk, Dr Parikh will present her research. Dr. Parikh has expertise in infrastructure (water, sanitation and energy) for resource constrained settings such as slums and rural communities in Africa and Asia. She is also leading research on developing evidence base to link SDG's and infrastructure. [Register your interest now.](#)

Opportunities

Sustainability Blog

We have started a [sustainability blog](#) on our website where you can keep up to date with news and events and our HogBlog.

We would like for students and staff to get involved! We particularly want to hear about your experiences with sustainability, any challenges you faced and tips you could give to others. So, whether you're a Green Champion, part of a sustainable society on campus or just have a passion for the environment and you would like to contribute and write something for our blog email us sustainability@warwick.ac.uk.



Warwick Volunteers

There's a number of volunteering opportunities happening throughout March, including conservation at Foundry Woods, garden volunteer at Historic Coventry Trust and Friends of Canley Green Spaces. [Visit Warwick Volunteers](#) for more information.

Climate Reality Sustainability Competition

Climate Reality are running a "Make your own Reusable Cup" Competition! To encourage the use of reusable cups, and reduce single-use cup consumption, Climate Reality are asking you to design a reusable coffee cup they can sell at events. The society is looking for something that reflects sustainability, is simple and creative, using maximum two colours! The competition closes Friday 11th March – email your submissions with the subject "coffee cup competition" to crcc.warwick@gmail.com. First prize will win a sustainable goody bag, and notable entries will win sustainable gifts too! For more information check out the competition [here](#).

Climate Reality's Sports Competition

Climate Reality are encouraging societies at Warwick to be as sustainable as possible and put sustainability towards the heart of sport!

Each sports society will receive a DM from Climate Reality with a form to sign up! After that, just tag them in the sustainable changes you make within your society, this could be anything from using sustainable transport methods to get to fixtures to running sustainable events and socials. Then in week 10 they will decide the winner who will receive a trophy and a cash prize!

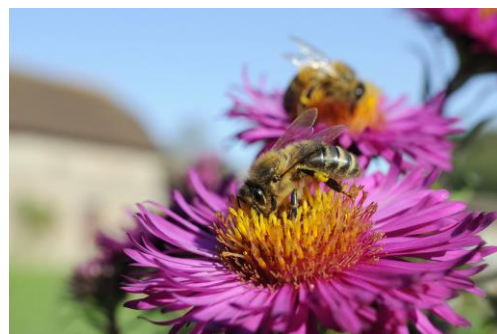
Encourage your sports exec to sign your society up! Read more about it on the [Climate Reality Facebook](#).

Waste and Recycling Supervisor

The University is recruiting a Waste & Recycling Supervisor to ensure effective and efficient waste disposal processes are followed in accordance with legislation and University policy. Responsibilities include monitoring and analysing the usage of the waste and recycling containers around the campus and carrying out risk assessments and compiling safe methods of work for all operational tasks. [Click here](#) for more information and how to apply. The closing date is 16th March.

Pollinate Your Street

Nominate your community to receive free Wildflower seeds to create new pollinator pathways & wildflower meadows. Bee-lines will be planting citywide from cultural destinations to community container gardens. Connecting our greenspaces and making pathways for people and pollinators. You can nominate a school, organisation, care home, greenspace or street – deadline is 14th March! [Click here](#) for more information.



News and events from further afield

Green Rooms Plant Market

Green Rooms Market will be filling FarGo Village's market hall with the best botanical businesses from the midlands. Expect plants, pots, planting accessories and everything in between for plant novices and plant enthusiasts alike. Entry is free – [find out more here!](#)

Spring Up Festival

Check out the Spring Festival in FarGo Village, Coventry, running across the weekend of the 26th March and 27th of March! There will be a number of stalls and performances, including outdoor theatre, music and poetry, all dedicated to reconnecting us to the natural world. For more information [visit the event page!](#)

Birmingham Vintage Kilo Sale

Worth the Weight Vintage are holding a Vintage Sale in the Custard Factory on the 26th March from 11am – 5pm. Check out the sale for a selection of vintage and retro preloved clothes, and pay by weight! Vintage Sales are a great place to grab preloved clothes that would otherwise end up in landfill.