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the Earth**

HEMEL HEMPSTEAD & District Friends of the Earth

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Hemel Hempstead & District

Newsletter Autumn 2009

**GET
SERIOUS
ABOUT
CO₂**

Get Serious Campaign

This is our group's chosen campaign at the moment, working with Dacorum Borough Council to ensure that targets are met for carbon reductions. Recent activities include handing out cards for the public to sign at Music on the Moor and the Conker Festival. Group members will also be attending The Wave in London on 5th December, hoping to influence the government's strategies for dealing with climate change.

Transport

The group is campaigning to create a Hemel Hempstead to Leighton Buzzard bus route, as this is an important local transport link.

Dacorum official cycling strategy is due to roll out soon. Watch this space for news!

DIARY DATES

Sat 21st November 2009

Hemel in Transition launch
(see reverse)

Thur 3rd December 2009

DBC climate change meeting
Bulbourne Room, 7.30pm

Sat 5th December 2009

London, **The Wave** march for climate action. (see reverse)
Meet Hemel station, 9.45am, to arrange discount group travel tickets and catch 10.05 train. (10.11 Kings Langley, 10.16 Watford.) Otherwise meet between 10.30 and 11am at Ritazza café in Euston station.
www.stopclimatechaos.org/the-wave

Mon 21st December 2009

Christmas Social
Dougal's house, bring red wine for mulling and mince pies!

Mon 18th January 2010

AGM
Friends Meeting House, between George Street and St. Marys Road, Hemel Hempstead

Thur 21st January 2010

Full DEF Meeting



Simple ways to reduce carbon emissions and save money!

Only boil as much water as you need in the kettle (£7 per year)
Fit your hot water tank with a 75mm thick insulation jacket (£35 per year)
Replace all your light bulbs with energy saving ones (£37 per year)
Switch off lights when you are not using a room (£7 per year)
Wash your clothes at 30 degrees ((£11 per year) (source energy saving trust)

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Many subscriptions have not been paid this year! Why not give yourself (and the earth!) an early Christmas present? Send a cheque for £10 to cover this year and 2010, to: S. Doyle, 1, Sandmere Close, Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4RW, payable to Hemel Hempstead and District Friends of the Earth.

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LINKS www.hemelintransition.org www.dacenvforum.org.uk

save energy save ££?

your ideas?

come to a

Green gathering!

get cycling?

green spaces?

wildlife

more allotments?

local food?

to build community action for a better, stronger, greener future for Hemel Hempstead and surrounding villages

Saturday 21st November 4pm

St. Mary's Church Hall
(behind the Old Town Hall)

Tree planting & litter pick in Gadebridge Park at 2.30pm
before the main event (meet at St Mary's)

Main event: local exchange • green information • local food
renewable energy • traditional children's games •

Dr. Bike: bring yours along for advice •
local homemade soup and more!

come and find out more or see www.hemeltransition.org

Hemel in Transition

