

The Green Team

Wellington Methodist Church and Centre

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Welcome to the Summer edition of the Green Team's News Letter.

We are very pleased to welcome a new member, Diane Whittaker to the Team. We are always pleased to enrol new members so please let us know if you would like to join us (It's not too arduous!!)

Report on progress with Energy saving measures

We are pleased to report that the new boiler is now fitted in the kitchen. This is smaller in capacity and should prove energy saving

Greenfibres catalogue 2009/2010

A Green fibres catalogue hanging on the Green

Team's notice board is now available for you to peruse. The items in the catalogue are environmentally friendly products such as clothing, make-up, bedding and household goods etc. Please borrow if you so wish

Craft and Chat

The Craft & Chat Group continue to meet on a Friday morning and are pleased to receive any materials that you no longer need.

Any unfinished work you may have they will gladly use.

The group express their thanks for your hitherto contributions. New members welcome



Coffee morning

Approximately £70 was raised at a recent Green Team coffee morning.

This was in aid of church funds. Many thanks to all who helped or contributed in any way. We managed to recycle a few things too!

News from Fair-trade

Thank you for your support of the Fair-trade stall. As you know we serve Fair-trade tea and coffee in the church at all functions.

Harvest Festival 4 October



We are in talks with Peter and there may be something a little different this year. Watch this space!!

Stop the Traffik

The Emmaus Crew held a very successful "Chocolate Evening" to highlight the plight of very young children being used as slave labour etc.

The good news is – Cadbury's are going to make their dairymilk chocolate fair-traid. It's a start.

Our grateful thanks to the Crew for all their preparation and hard work which made a lovely worthwhile evening.



Telford & Wrekin Recycling Officer

The telephone number to contact a recycling officer for your enquiries is 383838

Remember.....

FAT BOX

Severn Trent Water Company in their March newsletter advertised a "fat box". The idea is to save all your fat from cooking and put it in a box such as an empty custard tin or tin (preferably a strong leak proof cardboard container) that can be disposed of in your household rubbish. Fat

in the drains is a major cause of blocked drains. The fat is not dispersed with washing up liquid. The "green implications" are that:

1. less fat enters the drainage system
2. It makes us more aware of the fat we use
3. Hot water and washing up liquid can be saved

Give it a go! - Shirley

Remember.....

WHEN YOU WASH THE CAR

Use a bucket not a hose when you wash your car.

If you use a hose, 38 litres of drinking water are used every minute. It is better to use a few bucketsful and a sponge. You will achieve the same result, but use far less water. If you use a commercial car wash, which uses a 32 to 150 litres, look for one that recycles dirty water.

Hillside Animal Sanctuary Norwich

If anyone would like an original birthday/Christmas gift idea, or just one for yourself why not consider adopting a rescued farm animal from the Hillside Sanctuary in Norwich? From just £10 a year you

can help with the upkeep of animals rescued from intensive farming – there are 16 to choose from. You can even sponsor a camel! For more information, call hillside on (01603) 736200 or contact Diane Whittaker for an information leaflet.



Glance at the sun, see the moon and stars

Gaze at the beauty of the earths greenings

Now think,

What delight God gives to human kind with all these things.....

All nature is at the disposal of human kind

We are to work with it, for without it we cannot survive.

Hildegard of Bingen, medieval mystic

Date of the next Green Team meetings are

Sunday 11 October

Sunday 24 January

Sunday 25 April

Sunday 11 July

All after the morning service. New members welcome
