



Rugby EcoHub

Rugby Eco Hub Newsletter 31st October



We had our official launch on Saturday the 19th October and it went really well. Thank you if you came along and supported us. We had lots of people come to the repair cafe as well as other activities we had going on. To read all about it see the press release [here](#).

Library of Things

The library of things is now open every Saturday morning from 10am till 1pm. Come along and see what we have to borrow and sign up as a member.

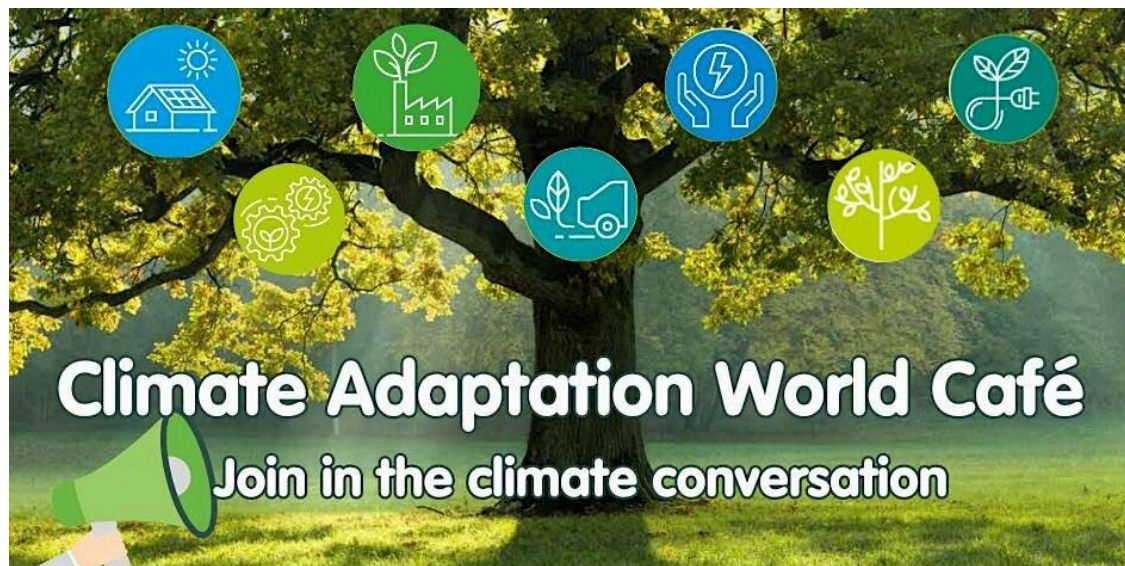
We have updated our website so you can [join](#) there too.

Upcoming Events

14th November - Thinking Thursdays 7pm till 9.30pm

Come and hear about the Local Nature Recovery Strategy from Warwickshire Wildlife Trust, with an opportunity for discussion and networking. Find out more [here](#)

16th November - Repair Cafe 10am till 12pm



Rugby Borough Council (RBC) is holding a [Climate Adaptation World Café](#) event in Benn Hall on Saturday 9th November from 10am - 2pm. It will seek views from participants about the Council's climate adaptation plans but set in a wider context of the Climate and Biodiversity emergencies. Rugby Eco Hub will be there.

The Minister for Nature, Mary Creagh MP, and Rugby MP, John Slinger, will be speaking.

It's a timely initiative, The need to reduce emissions towards zero, while rapidly restoring nature's capacity to provide resilience, requires urgent action. The impacts

of climate change are clear to see in the extreme weather events - intense storms, floods, droughts - in the UK and around the world. It's also timely as this event is being held just before the UN Climate Conference and just after the UN Biodiversity Conference, at which our leaders are obliged to present significant national commitments to change.

This event brings these challenges home; what can we in Rugby do to make necessary changes. This is an opportunity for Rugby residents to engage directly with the council's draft climate change adaptation plan, which builds on its [climate change strategy](#) and to have a chance to express their views on the proposals and make suggestions.

You can register [on Eventbrite](#) for this free event.

The Council's [draft plan](#) highlights the global challenges and quotes the UN Secretary-General's, António Guterres', statement from 3 years ago.

“The IPCC Climate Report is a code red for humanity. The alarm bells are deafening, and the evidence is irrefutable: greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel burning and deforestation are choking our planet and putting billions of people at immediate risk. Global heating is affecting every region on Earth, with many of the changes becoming irreversible”.

Since then, it's now [acknowledged](#) that large-scale production in agriculture, livestock, forestry and fisheries, and the industrial food and commodity system they serve, are responsible for a third of global greenhouse gas emissions, as well as being the greatest cause of biodiversity loss, exacerbated by the massive use of chemicals and biocidal practices. An alternative approach exists: smaller-scale, nature and climate-friendly, agroecological, localised food systems, which enhance agricultural biodiversity and cool the planet. A local example of what this looks like in practice is at [5 Acre Community Farm](#) at Ryton Gardens.

This World Café provides a space for us to discuss what we, and the Council, should do locally to tackle the climate and biodiversity emergencies - that's a core purpose of Rugby Eco Hub!

Renting the space

We are starting to have inquiries about renting the hall/ kitchen/ meeting room at the Eco hub.

The rates to hire the areas are as follows:

The Hall £20 per hour for a minimum of 2 hours

The Hall and Kitchen £25 per hour for a minimum of 2 hours

The Meeting room with kitchenette £10 per hour for a minimum of 2 hours

We are open to making this more affordable for non profit or charity groups. Email us to discuss your venue hire needs.

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