



### Final Reminder....



Spring is around the corner and thoughts are turning to all those wonderful home grown vegetables, fruit and salad items.

Make the dream come true and join our community garden project...

Our Landshare Group has sites in the area that are available for use and we are planning how to get these started during the public meeting at **Haslemere Town Hall on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45pm.**

If you want to get involved in growing organic fruit and vegetables locally and in a family friendly environment then please come and join the meeting. Even if you are not sure about committing come along and have a listen.

### Fantastic Limited Opportunity to save energy and money....



Have you always wanted to cut your energy costs by installing solar panels but were put off by the cost? Worry no more as British Gas are looking for volunteers in Surrey and Sussex to take part in a pilot scheme.

In a nutshell British Gas will install photovoltaic solar panels in your home at a cost of £10,000. BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO FIND THAT MONEY NOW.

The deal is an interest-free loan payable over 25 years (roughly £33 per month) but here is the very good news. The recently announced government scheme that they will buy back renewable energy produced by individual homes at an inflated cost means that according to British Gas's calculations the energy you save and the excess energy sell back to the National Grid will more than cover the cost of the solar panels.

More details can be found here:

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/money/2009/dec/19/british-gas-pay-as-you-save>

Time is short but British Gas have not yet reached their target of 100 homes in Surrey and Sussex so there is still time for those interested to get in touch to find out more.

We are already aware of a number of Haslemere residents who are evaluating and participating in this offer. If you are interested then contact Julia Bamford the Project Manager of this scheme at Solar Technologies on [Julia.bamford@solartechologies.co.uk](mailto:Julia.bamford@solartechologies.co.uk)

## Haslemere Green Fair



**Haslemere Green Fair**

Saturday March 27<sup>th</sup> 11.00am to 4.00pm  
Haslemere Museum  
Free Entry

- Mini Farmers Market
- Basket Weaving
- Wood Turning
- Face Painting
- Kids Crafts
- Home Energy Saving Advice
- Wood Fuel Demonstration
- Chickens and Bee Keeping
- "Living The Green Life" – A talk by Sharon Duggan
- "In Transition" – The Transition Town movie
- Launch of Transition Haslemere's official status
- Local food and drink stalls

.....and lots more.

For more information:  
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Organised by Transition Haslemere

The Transition Haslemere Green Fair is launched!

As well as being an exciting thing to do the Green Fair marks the "Unleashing of Transition Haslemere". This is a public event to mark the official status of Transition Haslemere and will be marked with short speeches from the Mayor and Transition Haslemere.

We have lined up lots of interesting and stimulating things for you to see and experience; from **Bee Keeping to Basket Weaving**, from **Face Painting to Farmers Market** and from **Nature Walks to Natural Foods**...and entrance is free.

We are also proud to be able to start our series of talks and films under the sobriquet of "**Transition Haslemere Evenings**".

As it so happens the first talk is not in the evening but the series will be launched at 2.30pm at the Green

Fair...



### How to live the Green Life and have fun doing it!

Our first talk is by Sharon Duggan. Sharon is a well known and respected local self-employed singer and vocal performance coach. Sharon has been promoting and living a "green life" since the early 1980's.

She is also a freelance writer on sustainability issues, has set up a sustainable living project with 10 families in Cranleigh and is a frequent spokesperson on green issues for County Sound Radio. Sharon lives a low carbon lifestyle and will talk about how easy and enjoyable it is to do this with practical suggestions for our day to day lives, from the paint we use to the food we eat.

For more details on the Green Fair see the website [www.transitionhaslemere.org](http://www.transitionhaslemere.org).

## Waverley meets Transition Towns



As part of an on-going dialogue Waverley councillors are setting up a "Market Stall" event where their Heads of Services will meet with Transition Towns and other local interested environmental organisations.

The purpose of the event is to examine ways in which Waverley Borough Council and the local organisations can work together for a greener future. Transition Haslemere and our colleagues from Transition Town Farnham and Transition Godalming are fully involved and will be present with a joint Transition Town Stall

## Dates for your diary

- February 25<sup>th</sup> Landshare Public Meeting (Town Hall 7.45 pm)
- March 1<sup>st</sup> Energy and Transport Group meeting (Town Hall 7.30 pm)
- March 7<sup>th</sup> Haslemere Farmers Market
- March 8<sup>th</sup> Steering Group meeting (Town Hall 7.30 pm)
- March 27<sup>th</sup> Green Fair (Haslemere Educational Museum 11.00 am to 4.00 pm)
- March 27<sup>th</sup> Sharon Duggan talk (Haslemere Educational Museum 2.30 pm)
- April 12<sup>th</sup> Steering Group meeting (Town Hall 7.30 pm)

For more details on any of these dates please email [transitiontown@haslemere.com](mailto:transitiontown@haslemere.com)

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