



## Notes for your Diary:



## Green Drinks

**Mon, 23 April, 19:30 – 23:00**

At The White Hart, Bargate DE56 0JA

The White Hart has undergone a renovation and now offers real ales and is run by the former landlord of the Hollybush at Makeney.

Join us for a drink and a natter.

## Transition Belper Meeting

**Tue, 1 May, 19:30 – 21:30**

At The Strutts centre, Derby Road, Belper

## Belper Farmer's Market

**Saturday, 12 May 2012**

## Cromford 'Green Fair'

Saturday 5th to Monday 7th May

The Fair is open 12 - 6 on the Saturday, opens earlier on Sunday and Monday at 11.00, finishes at 6.00 on Sunday and 4.00 on Monday.

We'd like to have a stall at the Fair but need volunteers to help out.

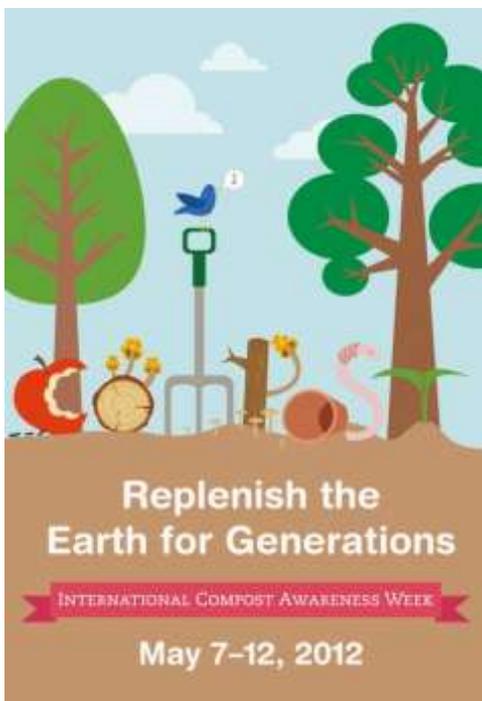
If you'd like to volunteer please contact Ian or phone him on 07773 667316

## Skills Share Workshop

**Saturday 19th May 2012** at St John's Chapel, time to be confirmed.



Transition Belper will be providing cakes and drinks at the NGS open garden in Belper on 10th June 2012 from 11:3 to 16:30. Volunteers are needed to provide scrumptious home baked cakes and/or help on the day. This is a great fun day usually a good chance to socialise and help raise funds both for Transition Belper and the NGS nominated charities (for further information about NGS, see <http://www.ngs.org.uk/>). If you would like to help, please email [Kathy](#) or ring her on 07779 412702.



May 7th begins the international compost awareness week. If you are interested in learning how and what to compost or to share your composting experience, join us at the Transition Belper meeting on 1st May, where this topic will be discussed.

### **Skills Share Workshop.**

The next skills share workshop will be held on 19th May in St John's Chapel - times to be confirmed. Like all the past workshops, this will be an interesting and fun one to attend. Mig Holder from Transition Derby will be doing sewing skills, using reclaimed items of clothing or reclaimed fabric. She has an innovative way with things that once had another use.

If you would like to attend, please email [Craig](#) or [Alan](#).



## **Belper Community Gardening Schemes.**

Great News! Belper community gardening schemes are now progressing. The adoption of the train station scheme is well underway - we are in the process of completing all the necessary forms and hope to begin working on the green spaces within 6-8 weeks. Belper Town Council have agreed, in principle, for Transition Belper to co-ordinate two community gardens and have kindly agreed to pay for the planning applications. There will be two spaces which we hope will provide great opportunity for gardening enthusiasts to get together, socialise and grow things in a sustainable way. The first area, which will be open to the general public is situated behind St John's Chapel; the second area, which will, hopefully, encourage young people to develop an interest in gardening is near the Drop In Centre on Derwent Street. If you're interested in joining us, please email [Kathy](mailto:kathy@transitionbelper.org).



## **Local Energy Assessment Fund**

On 6th February, Transition Belper won a share of the Local Energy Assessment Fund. Winning the bid allowed the group to complete a number of major projects to help accelerate Belper's progress to becoming a lower carbon community.

This is how the projects panned out:

- An aerial thermal survey of Belper. Unfortunately, there were no suitable weather conditions before the end of March. Instead we have purchased our own thermal image camera.
- A desk top Solar PV survey for Belper. We have, at our fingertips, data about the potential for solar panels on every building in Belper including possible costs and income levels from generating electricity. Around 60 per cent of all buildings are suitable for solar panels and you can see the results for your property by following the link on our website <http://www.transitionbelper.org/solorpvbelper.html> .
- A hydro power opportunities survey for the Derwent Valley Mills World Heritage Site corridor.
- A solid wall insulation case study and show home.
- Produced a planning guidance document on the installation of energy saving measures and renewable energy generation equipment in the World Heritage Corridor and Conservation Area.

- Training for the first 10 Energy Expert Neighbour volunteers.
- Public meetings and an Energy Advice Surgery.

## Transition Belper Facebook Group

Keep up-to-date with the latest developments and join any discussions on Facebook. [Join us here](#)

## Belper's fruit and veg grower's forum

There is a Facebook Group locally for exchanging tips and ideas for your garden and anything to do with growing fruit and veg. [Join the Forum here](#)

## Contact

The trustees of Transition Belper are:

Chair – [Ian Jackson](#)

Secretary – [Richard Keighley](#)

Treasurer - Alan Foord

Core Group - Craig Scott

Core Group - [David George](#)

Core Group - [Kathy Fairweather](#)

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Or you can contact us via the Transition Belper email address: [info@transitionbelper.org](mailto:info@transitionbelper.org)