



Report for Town Meeting

March 2020

Greener Henley is an umbrella environmental group supporting the local community in developing its response to the climate and ecological emergency.

Our Aim

To see a Henley community driving change together to reduce our environmental impact.

How?

Working together as a community of residents, local businesses and councils to create an impact greater than each individual effort.

Collectively we can make a massive difference to mitigating climate change.

Below is the Chairman's Report on Greener Henley activities for 2019 and attached are the reports from all of the environmental projects and groups striving to make Henley a greener and more sustainable place to live.

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Dave presented his review of the year. Significant events and developments were:

- 10 members attending a Climate Emergency meeting in Oxford in January which resulted in HIT prioritising the CE and developing a presentation to raise awareness (Thanks to Ian) and a workshop on 'What we can do' (Thanks to Ruth).
- Presentations / workshops were given to residents and other groups including local council officers. Outreach continues with schools, WI etc
- Henley Town Council 'acknowledged' a CE. and set up a Climate Emergency Working Group.
- HIT joined the Henley Business Partnership and continues to develop links with local businesses and community groups.
- Membership increased from around 250 to approach 400 now.,
- The name change just formalised was suggested by a new member in the Summer with the reaction from existing members of 'why haven't we done this before?'
- The Greener Henley Festival was organised in just 5 weeks to celebrate the name change and launch the Greener Henley Directory. It was a brilliant success thanks to the efforts of many members and demonstrated how many positive, energetic and amazing people now make up Greener Henley!