



## Email Update – 16 Oct 2013

Dear 1010 and Greening Campaign supporters,

### Juicy delights

Give Your Stuff Away Day on the 6th was our best ever. The free apple pressing was a roaring success (see these [happy customers!](#)). People brought their apples in boxes, bags, and buckets – and we didn't stop pressing until the last Bramley was juiced. We'll definitely do this again next year! One glitch, however, was that some people had dropped off items to give away at the Catholic Church before the event started. Please hold off from doing this in future - we are guests of the Church and don't want to clutter up their car park.

### Taking control of our energy supply

Are you fed up with escalating fuel bills and intrigued by the possibilities of bulk buying of energy? Or are you looking for a green investment opportunity that will help us all create a more sustainable local energy supply? Then come along to Green Drinks this month and find out more. We have a great double bill on offer.

- **Kayla Ente from Brighton & Hove Energy Services Company (BHESCo)** will be talking about their new cooperative-run scheme to buy energy in bulk and reinvest the profits in local energy savings. The more people who sign up, the better deals they'll be able to negotiate.
- **Will Cottrell & Damian Tow from Brighton Energy Coop (BEC)** will then be introducing their new solar share offer, which is being launched on Oct 25th. Phase 1 went live in 2012 and has been generating electricity from three PV arrays in Brighton. Phase 2 is more ambitious and will put 500kW of PV panels on buildings in Shoreham Port. They are offering expected rates of return of 5%, plus a 30% EIS tax break on your initial investment.

Tell your neighbours if you think they'll be interested. It will be at **7.30 or 8.00 on Wednesday 30 Oct at the Steyning Cricket Club** (not the Norfolk Arms).

Voluntary contribution on the door.

### Dump those halogens: the LED revolution has arrived

There's a new type of light bulb in town which could save you a surprising amount of money. They're called LEDs. They're super-efficient, come in all shapes and sizes, last for years, come on instantly, and are about to revolutionise how we light our homes. If you do one thing to save energy this year, this should be it!

Check out our new [LED fact sheet](#) to learn all about them - and why you should swap those halogens bulbs that are costing you a fortune.

### Coming soon: Steyning Power Rangers!

Interested in getting on top of your electricity bill? We're about to launch a new scheme to lend out high tech energy monitors to help you analyse what you're using. We've got five volunteers 'Power Rangers' going through the final steps of training in a secret location. They will be able to help you make sense of your readings and advise on where you can make the most savings. We plan to launch the scheme in November, so watch the website for news - or come along to Green Drinks on the 30th for a sneak preview.

### Other upcoming events

Some other events that may be of interest:

- **Interfaith Climate Change Conference** - Sat Nov 2nd, 2pm til 5pm at the Brighthelm Centre, North Road, Brighton For more info contact: [sahajatara@rethinkbrighton.org.uk](mailto:sahajatara@rethinkbrighton.org.uk)
- **Warming up for the Steyning Festival - a school, a choir, a quiz and three goats!** [check out their website](#) for a run down of events over the coming month, starting tonight - Weds 16 October!
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That's it for now!  
Best wishes  
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