

Wycombe Friends of the Earth - Agenda

For Zoom meeting on Wednesday 2nd December 2020 at 7.30pm,:

1. Ecotip and finance
2. Constitutional amendment (left over from the AGM)
3. The climate campaign (including BCAA)
4. Council subgroup meetings
5. Green and fair recovery
6. Regional support and contacts
7. Divestment
8. AOB (might include COP26, the nature campaign, feedback from other groups, etc.)

Suggested ecotip:

Christmas is likely to be rather different this year. Nevertheless, challenge yourself with the following:

1. Presents without batteries, with minimal or no plastic, from sustainable sources, home-made gifts, charity gifts, virtual gifts, eg an activity, Oxfam Unwrapped, membership to wildlife organisations, eg local ones include BBOWT (Bucks, Berks and Oxon Wildlife Trust), Chiltern Society.
2. Lots of wrapping paper has a plastic film over the surface and glitter and gilt added. This cannot be recycled. Get your Christmas wrapping paper from places like Oxfam who produce recycled wrapping paper which itself can be recycled as it's simply paper. Keep paper for re-use – some of it can be smoothed, or be creative with your wrapping – save brown paper and use your own paint/cut outs to make it festive. Also, dispense with plastic fixing tape and use string or paper based tape for holding your parcels together.
3. Consider e-Christmas cards, re-use card fronts, avoid glitter - not good for recycling, cards made from recycled card, from charities, made locally or in the UK.
4. For your Christmas dinner, buy local and from sustainable sources.

More ideas for a sustainable Christmas from:

<https://friendsoftheearth.uk/plastics/christmas-plastic-free>

<https://shopping.rspb.org.uk/greener-christmas/>