

Wycombe Friends of the Earth - Agenda

For Zoom meeting on Wednesday 6th January 2021 at 7.30pm,:

1. Check in
2. Eco-tip and finance
3. Climate campaign
4. Food waste
5. Council and area boards
6. Recruitment for officer positions
7. Continuing campaigning under Covid
8. AOB

Suggested ecotip (other suggestions welcome by email or at the meeting):

- **Food waste** generates greenhouse gasses. In landfills, food is broken down by bacteria that produce methane, a gas which contributes to global warming.
- It's estimated that about 18 million tonnes of food goes to landfill ANNUALLY in the UK. That's also wasted money that people are spending! The key is to only buy as much as you need. By being smarter with food purchases and by eating everything, a family of four could save as much as £70 each month.
- Food requires a lot of resources to grow and transport. Many of the fruits and vegetables that we have here in the UK are not even grown here and they are imported from other countries. This means that we're consuming fuel in trucks and planes to transport food, but it all goes to waste if we're not actually eating the food. Plus, growing crops requires a lot of resources like energy and water too, which gets wasted along with the food if it's not eaten.
- Thousands of people around the world don't have enough food to eat on a daily basis. We should be preserving the food that we are so lucky to have!

So:

1. Only buy what you need and plan your purchases.
2. Reduce, or eliminate, your meat and dairy consumption.
3. Buy your food from sustainable sources where possible.
4. Buy local where possible.
5. Buy food with reduced packaging.