

Wycombe Friends of the Earth - Agenda

For Zoom meeting on Wednesday 7th April 2021 at 7.30pm.

1. Finance
2. Ecotip
3. Climate and biodiversity campaign
4. BCAA and the council elections/climate pledge
5. Wycombe Environment (WE)
6. Campaigning around COP26
7. Bucks Council Community Boards
8. Local environmental groups
9. Coming Events
10. AOB

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

Two tips to help your garden wildlife. It could make a huge difference.

1. Reduce your workload - don't mow!!

Do your bit for wildlife this summer and avoid mowing your lawn or your grass verge.
Benefits:

1. Less effort for you
2. Less pollution and energy usage if you have a motorised mower
3. Will increase the number of visiting insects and pollinators
4. Will attract lacewings and ladybirds which feed on 'pests' around the rest of your garden
5. You won't need to water it, so conserving water
6. Tall grasses look gorgeous, especially when moving in the breeze

If you think that grass left to grow looks untidy, just mow a path through it or a narrow border round the edges, and it makes it look a feature.

2. Sew wildflowers

During the next month or two, sew a patch of wild flowers, either in a patch in your garden or in a pot. They look colourful and attract pollinators. Look out for any organisations giving out free wildflower seed or seeds are cheaply available. Work with your neighbours to do the same, maybe in your front gardens, and create a much-needed wildlife 'corridor' in your street.