



Transition Stour Valley

Forming the group

Transition (Stour) Valley

- Initiating group
- Communication group set up www.transitionvalley.co.uk
- Heart and soul group
- Food group and transport group in the making



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A transition initiative for the Stour Valley on the border of Essex and Suffolk

Tuesday, 8 December 2009
Reskilling the Valley events are on Apricot Centre and Transition Valley websites
<http://www.apricotcentre.co.uk/events.php>
<http://www.transitionvalley.com>
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Saturday, 5 December 2009
Local, Organic, Carbon-neutral, Tasty, Apples at the Apricot Centre

theapricotcentre
for sustainable living

Buy a box of local organic apples
£20 mix of Satin & Monarch (including)

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great clips


<http://www.youtube.com/user/popmoc>

Transition Valley

- ◆ **Biodynamic Gardening: an introduction to the practice and philosophy with Marina O'Connell** - 06 December 2009
- ◆ **Ways and Means (guided walk), a demonstration of local transport systems with Val Belsay (part of Reskilling Project)** - 06 December 2009

Training

- Transition training
- Informal training in the group
- Permaculture Design Course



Re-skilling Project



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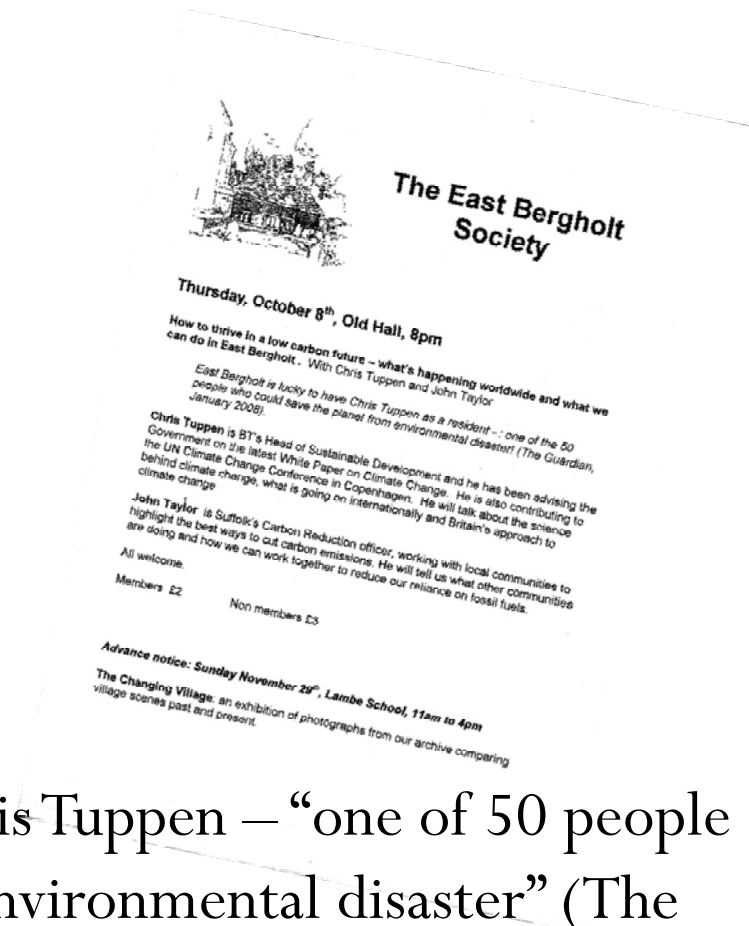
Local currencies

Manningtree's District Business Chamber promoted a trial scheme which was very successful. Many transition groups are launching local currencies. Brixton, Lewes, Totnes...



Awareness Raising *Films & Talks*

- “Transition The Movie”
- “The Power of Community”
- “The Age of Stupid”
- East Bergholt Society talk by Chris Tuppen – “one of 50 people who could save the world from environmental disaster” (The Guardian 2008) and Suffolk's Carbon Reduction Officer John Taylor



Transition Project with East Bergholt Primary School

- Introduction to Transition across the school community
- Working with year 5 on a re-skilling project pupils interviewing older people
- Workshops for children, thatching, cheese making, knitting, cooking
- Designing their school for 2030

The Great Food Swap of Manningtree



Manningtree Car Share

Gwen



Car clubs are common place in the city but now Manningtree can boast it's own community resource.

Transition Valley and Stour Community First are pleased to announce that "Gwen", (Renault Scenic 1.9i diesel) is available for use through the Wombat Car Club. This is the first time Wombat has ever converted a privately owned car into the club.

www.wombatcarclub.co.uk

Next steps

- More swapping and more films
- Continue to build links with Business Chamber of Commerce and others
- Work with the Market Town Initiative to support sustainability and resilience
- Collecting the **visions** of the town
- Poetry fundraising event with other Transition groups
- Create and implement an Energy Descent Plan !





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