



Lindfield villagers take action on climate change

Fairer World Lindfield held an event entitled 'Your Climate – Your Choices' on Wednesday 20th November at King Edward Hall, attended by 150 people. Fairer World Lindfield is a group of residents aiming to raise awareness of climate change and encourage simple actions that can bring about meaningful impact.

At the event Peter Desmond and Chris Lee, members of the Fairer World Lindfield Steering Group, presented some of the science behind climate change and possible solutions. Peter said: "This was our way of responding to the climate and ecological crisis we are experiencing."

Rachel Carruthers, Sustainability Senior Advisor for West Sussex County Council, spoke about initiatives that the Council is undertaking to mitigate climate change. Sally May from Circular Brighton & Hove proposed that a new mindset is needed to make a better world. Trying to buy more products with less plastic packaging is something most people would like to achieve and Harriet's of Hove, the plastic-free pantry, shared their inspiring story.

The idea of trying to shop plastic-free was strengthened by Lindfield's own local shop Cloughs Deli, which displayed some of its ever-growing stock of foods and household items without plastic packaging. Chris talked about the small everyday steps she could take towards change. She said: "I am limited in what I can do but, just because I can't do everything, that is no reason for me to do nothing."

Research suggests that the fashion industry is responsible for 10% of our greenhouse gas emissions; Goldfinch Styling showed how stylish pre-loved clothes can be a way forward. Other stalls on the



evening included Anna from TROPIC enabling people to buy beauty products made with natural ingredients and Jenny from SuperLooper who has just set up a subscription service for good quality baby and maternity clothes.

One of the highlights of the event was a presentation by four pupils from Blackthorns Community Primary Academy in Lindfield: Eddie Barker, Benjamin Reid, Esther Thomas and Isabella Payne. They are part of the school's Eco Committee, which is working towards Plastic-free School status.

Peter and Chris concluded the event: "Even though the climate and ecological crisis can feel overwhelming at times, we can make a difference both individually and collectively in our own lives. We all have a voice, so we need to make sure those in positions of power hear us."

If you would like to learn more about the work of Fairer World Lindfield and join in some of their future activities, they can be found on Facebook or call 07956 586390.

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