

Lowdham's New Sustainability Hub



Lowdham Sustainability Hub is a new group forming in the village with the mindset of helping our village become more proactive in protecting the environment. There are many such groups around the UK acting under the banner of 'Transition' and the hope is that Lowdham can do its part in living in a far more sustainable way.

We are very much at the setting up stage and our hope is that this will be a community led project using Facebook and other communication channels to share ideas, post interesting projects or simply offering up things of interest that have a sustainability bias.

We would very much **like to hear from anyone who is interested** to help us form this group. Also, for any suggestions that villagers or organisations have which will go towards reducing our carbon footprint in any way possible.

This is a project that **we hope the whole village** can get behind and take on as its own. To that end we have secured some help from Nottingham Trent University who have agreed that two separate groups of students can give us some time to help gather input and understanding of what the village wants.

Over the next few months various village groups may be contacted by the students who plan to carry out a survey of your thoughts on the relationship between Lowdham and how we can actively support the fight against climate change. We would be **most grateful if you would support us** by engaging with these students as they develop the projects that will ultimately help us achieve a more sustainable Lowdham.

Over the next few weeks please keep a lookout for posters and QR code links to a questionnaire plus other ideas that help us move this project forward. If you'd like to join us and become more involved, please complete your details below and drop in at Co-op, Old Ship, Post Office or Corner Store - or email us at transition.lowdham@gmail.com

Name ; Phone number



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PLEASE SUPPORT US BY COMPLETING THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND SUBMITTING IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE:

Feel free to only complete the first 10 questions, however if you are able to complete the full survey it would be greatly appreciated.

1. Are you in support of the village becoming more environmentally friendly?

- Yes
- No

2. Which age range are you in?

- 0-18
- 19-40
- 41-60
- 61+

3. Gender?

- Male
- Female
- Other

4. Who are you answering this questionnaire for?

- Myself
- Family member in my household
- Family member outside my household
- Friend

5. Who do you think is most responsible for ensuring members of the public act sustainably?

- Government
- Local Council
- Members of the public

6. Sustainability covers a number of areas. One of which is recycling. Which statement best describes your recycling habits?

- I recycle everything that can be recycled
- I recycle most of what I can
- I recycle occasionally
- I do not recycle

7. What form of communication do you believe is most effective at getting information around the village of Lowdham?

- Social Media
- Word of Mouth
- Posters/Flyers
- Radio/News outlets
- Other - please add your own suggestions in the next question box

8. What other effective forms of communication do you suggest?

9. Would you feel comfortable being contacted again by Lowdham Sustainability Hub?

- No
- Yes (Please insert email/phone number in the question below)

10. Email/Phone number

11. Which method do you think would best encourage members of the public to act more sustainably? (Select your favourite method and add your own ideas as well)

- More information provided about the effect climate change is having on the planet.
- More information regarding the opportunities people have, to act more sustainably. eg., home insulation, grants for solar panels, local groups to help repair items.
- A forum where ideas can be freely shared (eg how to recycle tetra packs).
- More fines for breaking the rules eg., littering.
- Other (please add ideas in the question below).

12. Other ideas to encourage the public to act more sustainably?

13. Do you believe Lowdham is doing a good job in acting sustainably?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure/Don't Know

14. If you answered No to the previous question, please would you be able to provide additional information as to the ways you believe Lowdham could/should be acting sustainably? (If you answered Yes to the previous question please ignore)

15. What things do you do that will help you reduce your own impact on the Environment and your Carbon Emissions?

16. What simple things do you think people in the village can do to help reduce their impact on the Environment and their Carbon Emissions?

17. Do you know of any organisations that inspire you to live a more sustainable lifestyle?