

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCL MEETING – FEBRUARY 14th 2023

Item 9 - To receive a Climate Emergency activities updating report

Visit to the Sustainability Centre

The Sustainability Centre is situated in East Meon in the South Downs National Park. It is owned by a charity, the Earthworks Trust, which was established in 1995. It aims to educate, enable and inspire people to make positive changes to the way they live and work by managing the land, charity and businesses as working examples of sustainability. The Centre is spread across 55 acres of woodland and natural chalk downland. They welcome families and schools, professionals and special interest groups, walkers and cyclists on the South Downs Way, children and young people, and simply anyone with an interest in what they do.

On 20th January fifteen of us took part in a talk and tour of the Centre. We learned about woodland management, water treatment systems, eco-renovation of their buildings and low impact eco buildings, eco tourism business, natural burials business and their education programmes. We were all extremely inspired from our tour and walked away keen to implement some of the ideas.



Cllr. Jackie Rhodes
24th January 2023