

Climate Change Report; 20 March 2023

Time flies when you are having so much fun!

We have been very busy behind the scenes working on the Wickham Market Green Coronation Event which will be held on Monday 8th May. We plan to hold this event on the Pightle with a Marquee in case of any adverse weather. The event will start at 11am and finish at 3pm. We are working on all of the finer details and will update you all via posters around the village and on our Social Media accounts (Facebook, Instagram and Twitter). What I can share is that we have Ipswich Wildlife Society coming along to help the children make Bird Boxes, we have face painting, we have a locally renowned Storyteller coming to share some poems and stories with us. The Wickham Market Primary School PTA have a raffle for a beautiful homemade bear, a preloved teddy tombola to do, second hand uniform and book sales plus a competition for Primary School aged children, poster attached! The Wellbeing Cafe/Community Allotment will have a stall. We are planning to have a stall where we will be starting off bee friendly plants to take home. We are working on some lovely food to keep your bellies full however, feel free to bring blankets and a picnic! We will have refreshments available. Most importantly, we will be showing our Climate Action Strategy and having feedback forms for you to complete and return to us, so we can work with the community on this. We are working hard on making sure there will be something for everyone to do and see, so please do all come along and support our free event!

We have recently purchased a Thermal Camera so that we can do surveys around the village on houses to help us explore where our houses are losing valuable heat and therefore, money and energy. This was a scheme idea that we heard about from Suffolk Climate Change Partnership (SCCP). By the time that you read this, we should have been out and done a few nights of surveys and reported back on the outcomes! If you are interested in having your house surveyed, please contact me on gemmad1985@googlemail.com. The surveys have to be done ideally 2 hours after sunset and homes heated. Once it heats up outside, we will put this on hold and start again once the weather turns again towards the end of the year.

If you would like to help with our fight against climate change, please do contact us on the above email address and you can join our meetings. It is open to all.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

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