



## What does sustainable travel look like? Find out with Chris Todd, founder of Transport Action Network on zoom 7:30pm Mon 14th March

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Storm Eunice has given us a sombre warning of what lies ahead if we don't seriously reduce our emissions.

Here in Hampshire emissions from transport are significantly higher than the national average. Find out how we can reduce them and what the options might be for Alton and its surrounding villages.

Join Chris Todd to discuss how we can reduce private car usage and air pollution while improving health.

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### In this newsletter:

[Better Ways to Travel](#) public meeting on zoom Mon 14th Mar 7:30pm

[Back on the Rack](#) Sat 2nd April 11am - 3pm Alton Maltings, GU34 1DT

[Alton Repair Cafe](#) Sat 26th Feb 10:30am-12:30pm Alton Community Centre, GU34 1HN

[Alton Community Share](#) Sat 26th Feb 10am-12noon at St. Lawrence Parish Centre, GU34 2BW

[Climate anxiety](#) counselling sessions to increase wellbeing

[Hedge planting in Binsted](#) Thurs 24th & Fri 25th Feb 1:30pm

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ACAN will be addressing the elephant in the room at our Public Meeting in March - "How to move on from private car ownership as we address the climate crisis"



## Better Ways to Travel: Sustainable Transport

Online public meeting open to all

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 7:30pm**



Please email [altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com](mailto:altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com) for the Zoom link

Excessive road use and climate breakdown go hand in hand. Road transport accounts for a quarter of carbon emissions in the UK. Join us to discuss the options for reducing private car usage, air pollution and improving health.

**Chris Todd, founder and director of Transport Action Network (TAN)** will share the latest thinking on transport policy and how it can benefit the community.



Photo by Roger French

Cycle Alton will then update us on their work on making cycling safer locally.



### The 205 Carshare

A public transport service from East Tisted, West Tisted, Monkwood, Newton Valence, Upper Farringdon and Farringdon into Alton

And bring your own ideas and thoughts on transport in a climate emergency.

The fashion industry is the second most polluting industry globally, accounting for 10% of the planet's carbon emissions. ([figures from The Boar magazine Warwick University](#))

Young ACAN plan to do their bit to reduce those numbers, here in Alton, by holding a pop-up thrift store for pre-loved clothes for those aged 11-20.

**BACK ON THE RACK**  
SWAP 'TIL YOU DROP THRIFT SHOP  
**ALTON MALTINGS**  
GV34 1DT SATURDAY  
**2 APRIL 2022**  
11AM → 3PM  
**IT'S OUR FUTURE**

**10.30am**  
Open for pre-loved clothing drop-offs

**11-3pm**  
Thrift Shop Open

**1.30-3.00pm**  
Clothes' Upcycling & Repairing Workshops  
Refreshments  
Donations welcome







**SUGGESTED FOR THOSE AGED 11-20**



## Next session Sat 26th Feb

Bring your items for repair along to Alton Community Centre from 10:30am to 12:30pm on:  
26<sup>th</sup> Feb, 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 30<sup>th</sup> July, 10<sup>th</sup> September,  
22<sup>nd</sup> October, 10<sup>th</sup> December

The repair team will be at your service to assist and advise you on repairs to small household items.



## Alton Community Share

### Next session Sat 26th Feb

Reduce waste & save money at this free library of jigsaws, games, toys and activities

On the 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month  
at St Lawrence's Parish Centre  
10am to 12 noon

**Climate anxiety** is a perfectly rational response to the helplessness many of us feel about the climate and ecological crises we face. Progress seems painfully slow and it is obvious that many people still don't really understand the scale of the disaster waiting for us over the horizon.



If this is how you feel - you are not alone.

ACAN will be hosting a series of wellbeing sessions, with a trained counsellor, for small groups wanting to share their fears and get support in coping with the day to day challenges of trying to *green* our lives.

These sessions will be free so please just email [altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com](mailto:altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com) to find out more and maybe come along.



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**Binsted Eco Network** invite you to join them - on Thursday 24 and/or Friday 25 February, from 13:30 to plant a new hedge. There'll also be den-building activities, and plenty of safe space for children to run around. The site at Blacknest is a couple of fields along from the Jolly Farmer pub - email [binstedeconetwork@gmail.com](mailto:binstedeconetwork@gmail.com) if you need a map or more details. Parking will be on-site if it's dry ... but given how wet it's been recently, we'd recommend dropping people at the site entrance and parking at the Jolly Farmer pub.



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Our sister organisation PeCAN have produced an excellent piece on the Energy Price Cap rise and what it means for us as consumers.

Do take a look.

<https://petersfieldcan.org/news/2022/02/price-cap-rise-03-02-22>

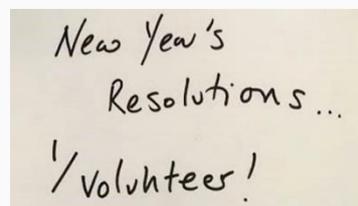


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## Call to Action

*We all know we need to act now to protect our environment and community.*

*Scientists tell us we have until the end of this decade to cut our emissions by half if we are to prevent runaway climate change.*



Here in ACAN we have a [range of groups](#) already set up and many more ideas of things we would like to do if we had more volunteers, and you may have ideas of your own you would like to pursue.

It doesn't matter how much or how little time you can spare we have volunteering opportunities to suit.

To get involved do fill in our [volunteers form](#)

Or just email [altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com](mailto:altonclimatenetwork@gmail.com) and let us know what you would like to do.

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Many thanks.

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