



Local action, real impact – we’re making a difference

Our monthly round-up of local climate action news, events and activities...

ZCH News and events

Building for a greener future

Our airtightness [workshop on 14th February](#) was a huge success! 🙌 Builders across North Yorkshire gained hands-on skills to meet Part L regs, thanks to expert Jack Howard from Partel – practical training essential for future-proof, energy-efficient homes and the reduction of domestic emissions.

[Find out more about our retrofit work here.](#)



Stronger together, working for change

We had an inspiring meeting with Tom Gordon MP to discuss ZCH’s 2025 priorities, connecting again at the [What’s Your Beef? event by Disability Action North Yorkshire](#). We’re excited to continue these conversations to accelerate positive changes in our community.



Empowering leaders in education

[Prof. Leigh Hoath](#), cofounder of [Climate Adapted Pathways for Education \(CAPE\)](#), delivered a powerful presentation to key figures from Multi-Academy Trusts, on how to effectively get climate education into the curriculum and support our students with green skills as our world changes at ZCH’s second School Leaders Sustainability Roundtable of the year.



A special event for ZCH members

Our first members event of 2025 is a visit to David Raw's remarkable off-grid home on **8th March**. Once a derelict farmhouse; now a renewable energy haven – enjoy a tour, ask questions and see a wind turbine up close! [Register here](#). Not a member? [It takes two minutes to sign up](#).



Other News and Events

Wild Film screenings in April and June

Experience nature like never before! Set within stunning ancient woodlands at an off-grid barn, [Make It Wild](#) will be hosting a wild buffet dinner made from local food, before showing two exclusive film screenings: *Six Inches of Soil* (**April 4th**) and *Wilding* (**June 20th**) followed by inspiring discussions about nature restoration. [Book your spot now](#).



Connect, empower, and make change

Local climate action groups will be coming together at the [North Yorkshire Climate Coalition's members event: Inspiring Community Action](#) on **Sat 22nd March**. We can't wait to be there.



Carbon Literacy Training at work

[The Swinton Estate](#) are hosting [Carbon Literacy Training](#) sessions in **March** to explore climate science, its impacts, and actionable solutions at work and home. Find out more about Carbon Literacy Training and the [Carbon Literacy Project](#) [here](#).



Things we've
been listening to,
reading and
watching...

PODCAST: *Climate Crisis: truth, lies and compromise* (BBC Sounds). [Listen here](#)
ARTICLE: *Does fashion have to cost the Earth...?* by Professor Phil Purnell. [Read here](#)
ARTICLE: *Bradford clean air zone saves NHS over £30,000 a month...* [Read here](#)
VIDEO: [Imagine5](#) have a brand new series on sustainable fashion. [Watch here](#)
VIDEO: *The most important thing you can do to fight climate change* by climate scientist Katharine Hayhoe [Watch here](#)

A better way to shop?

Can you reduce emissions through clothes shopping? Absolutely! [Clothes Swaps](#) are becoming more and more popular – instead of binning an item, swap it. Find 'new to you' items and reduce landfill. Take a look below for some local options...



ZCH's Picks In and around Harrogate

[Harrogate Swap Shop](#) host clothes, books and even make-up swapping events throughout the year. You'll meet new people, enjoy a glass of bubbly and can even win prizes on the night. Anything left gets donated to charity.

[Mint Velvet](#) host RE:MINTED Swap Sessions in-store to get people together socially while extending the life of clothes already in circulation.

[TOAST Harrogate](#) also run in-store clothes swaps known as a TOAST exchange. You're invited to write a story about your item on a label intended to be read by its new owner, before going on the hunt for your own pre-loved piece.

[LK Borrowed](#) not a swap but a hire service offered by LK Bennett to save on buying new.

Reminder!



WE NEED
your
SUPPORT!

Volunteer with ZCH

[Fill in our volunteer form to sign up!](#)

Speaking of shopping, did you know there is an easy way to support us whenever you buy something online? Set up [Easy Fundraising](#) to make sure we enjoy a donation from brands any time you shop online, at no extra cost to you – it's [an easy way to regularly fundraise for ZCH](#).



Scan this QR Code to take you straight to the ZCH cause page to get set up to start supporting us today or [sign up here](#).

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