

## **2G3S**



## Green Groups in the Shelfords, Stapleford and Sawston

2G3S is a friendly, informal, non party-political group which was set up in 2015 to promote green activity in our local villages and to share green ideas. 2G3S aims to promote a positive vision of a society that enhances, rather than degrades, the natural environment on which we all depend.

We hold planning/discussion meetings bimonthly, and organise regular events including talks, film screenings, Repair Cafes and Nature Walks. We aim to raise awareness of green issues and to show how we can work together, both at an individual and at an organisational level, to make changes to our way of life that will lead to a more stable and sustainable future. We also publish a quarterly newsletter full of local information and ideas.

Meetings of the group, and many of our activities, have moved from the Rose and Crown pub to online of late. We are currently meeting both in person and online, to give people maximum opportunity to attend. Recent events have included:

- Conversation evenings/talks on:
  - o Eco-friendly Gardening in a Time of Climate Change
  - O What Hope for Cooks and Forests Dying in Africa?
  - o An Introduction to Extinction Rebellion
  - Sustainable Dietary Choices;
  - o 'The Local Plan' with Cllr Brian Milnes
  - o 'The Cambridge Nature Network' with James Littlewood of CPPF
  - 'How to Pay for Better Bus Services?' with Edward Leigh of Smarter Cambridge Transport
  - o 'Why all is not well with the River Cam' with Stephen Tomkins of Cams Valley Forum
  - 'Tackling Climate Change and Biodiversity at a Local Level' with Cllr Pippa Heylings
- Film Screenings: 'The Story of Plastic' and "The Sequel: What will follow our Troubled Civilisation?'
- Repair Cafés held at Shelford Free Church
- Participation in 'The Time is Now Virtual Mass Lobby' and follow up Environment Forum meetings with MP Anthony Browne
- Plastic Free July 'Craftivism' Campaign
- Food For Our Future Campaign, with Cambridge Sustainable Food
- The Great Big Green Week Litter Pick
- Other initiatives have included coordinating responses to local transport consultations and supporting Parish Councils with applications to South Cambridgeshire Zero Carbon Communities Grant scheme.
- We hold regular Nature Walks and Social Bike Rides through the warmer months of the year

Our meetings and events are free and open to all. Events coming up soon include:

- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April: Improving Rivers for Wild Brown Trout, Johnson Hall, Stapleford
- Nature Walks: 19<sup>th</sup> March Wandlebury Country Park; 16<sup>th</sup> April Bury Farm Track
- Social Bike Ride: Monday 21st March
- Climate Justice Workshop
- Book Club

To find out more about the group, join any of our events or sign up for the newsletter you can:

- email greengroupssss@gmail.com
- or go to our website: <a href="http://2g3s.staplefordvillage.org.uk">http://2g3s.staplefordvillage.org.uk</a>
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