



# Lincoln's Climate Emergency Centre

## Newsletter No.17

### November 2023



#### Drop-Ins at Mint Lane during October

October was a busy month and we had various well-attended and interesting activities at Mint Lane:

#### Permaculture Weekend

The Permaculture Introduction weekend was very well received and well attended. Hannah Thorogood would like to run a second Intro weekend before offering the full 10-day Permaculture Diploma course in 2024. If you are interested in either, please write to [sandiestrat@phonecoop.coop](mailto:sandiestrat@phonecoop.coop) with your specific request. The intro would be over a full weekend, the Diploma course will probably be monthly on Sundays, all to be confirmed.

#### The Climate Café with Rachael Burnett

Based around the Death Café model, Climate Cafés are safe, empathetic, inclusive spaces for people to come together and explore the myriad of feelings they may be having about the climate crisis. We will be holding monthly in-person cafés for up to 10 people each time (numbers are limited to ensure everyone has chance to talk and reflect).

'Five of us shared in the first Climate Cafe. It proved to be a space gently held by the leader Rachael, where we were able in turn to share our feelings about the climate emergency, our fears and worries as well as some joys. Being listened to is a rare privilege these days. Open discussion and some practical tips for coping followed the go-round. I would highly recommend it.' *Sandie Stratford*

If you would like to join us for our next Cafe (18th November) at 2.00pm please register your interest by emailing: [theclimateimps@gmail.com](mailto:theclimateimps@gmail.com)

discussion. They are a great way to generate ideas, gather feedback and make decisions.

On the 7th October fourteen local people attended a Community Assembly training session at the Mint Lane Hub. There, the process, organisation and key elements of a Community Assembly were introduced. The training generated lively discussion and great enthusiasm to hold Community Assemblies in Lincoln.

Following our Community Assembly training we had our first Community Assembly at Mint Lane on Saturday 28th November, entitled 'Greening Lincoln'. After an introduction by Rosemary Robinson, the facilitator, we split into three groups, discussing a broad range of ideas, including better public transport; how we can reduce our reliance on cars to get around; greening our open spaces and growing more sustainable food. We then came back together to further discuss our ideas. If you would like to see the full summary of our discussions, please get in touch.



#### Community Assembly training at Mint Lane Hub

Community Assemblies are a structured way for a group of people to discuss issues or make decisions collectively, so that all voices are heard and valued equally, and no one person or group dominates the

## Mint Lane Saturday 2–4pm 'Drop-In' Events

November 2023

<b>4th Nov.</b>	'Greening Lincoln' proposals and planning with Ania.
<b>11th Nov.</b>	t.b.c.
<b>18th Nov.</b>	Climate Café with Rachael Burnett (3)
<b>25th Nov.</b>	<b>Amnesty Christmas Market</b> (drop-in closed)
<b>2nd Dec.</b>	t.b.c
<b>9th Dec.</b>	EarthLincs AGM & Social t.b.c.

***Please note:***

**The Mint Lane drop-ins will be closed during the Christmas period: 23rd and 30th December.**

### **Greening Lincoln**

#### ***It's time to start Greening Lincoln!***

Dotted around the City are open spaces, verges and 'waste land' crying out for a bit of love and attention. Find out how to go about recruiting local volunteers to enhance these places by planting native and fruit trees and creating wildflower areas. Grants, help and advice are available to get you started. Come along to EarthLincs on 4th November to find out more.



### **What's On – elsewhere**

#### **Tabletop Sale at St Peter in Eastgate Church, (Eastgate, Lincoln, LN2 4AA)**

Saturday 4th November 10am – 2pm.

The tables are now fully booked so expect a wide range of items on sale, with crafts/new items and preloved bargains.

A soup lunch is available at £3!



#### **Want to Find Out More about EarthLincs?**

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[www.facebook.com/groups/181394503851074](https://www.facebook.com/groups/181394503851074)

***The EarthLincs Team***



#### **University of Lincoln Climate Action Festival**

This will be held between 13 to 18 November. This coincides with International Doughnut Day (Monday 13 November) and follows the Christmas Lights switch on weekend with the new indoor market space available for community events (Saturday 11 November).

See all the latest information and the full programme of events here (or scan the qr code above):

<https://lincn.ac/caf>

All events are free!



#### **Amnesty Christmas Market**

This will be held on 25th November and EarthLincs are planning a stall at the event (so we will close the Mint Lane Drop-in that day).

Venue: Bailgate Methodist Church, Bailgate, Lincoln.

Time: 10am – 4pm.



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<https://rebellionlincolnshire.org/>



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