



Hello and welcome back to the Bradford Waste Forum newsletter. This seems the perfect opportunity to introduce myself - Michele Hudson, as the new Bradford Waste Forum Co-ordinator, having taken over from Janice Frost.

If you have any news that you'd like to share or have any ideas for future Waste Forum meetings then please do not hesitate to contact me at wasteforum@beat.org.uk or tel: 01274 718420.

WHY WASTE BRANCHES INTO TIMBER

The timber project got off the ground in December and has made excellent progress in the last 6 months. The project is funded by the Business Reuse Fund until March 2008 by which time it will have completed a case book of micro-projects which can be evaluated and used to secure further funding.

The project has taken the first steps towards establishing a timber reuse network, having formed 3 key partnerships with Keighley Town Council who have provided an allotment at Marley allotments to be used as a compound, boasting excellent access from the dual carriageway. The second partnership with Keighley Furniture Project provides an opportunity to showcase the timber products made and advertise available timber to low income families and other community groups. The project also works alongside the staff of Woodville Work Activity Centre providing accredited training to young people, volunteers and the long-term unemployed.

The project has enabled two young people to undertake an OCR in Manufacturing, allowing them to explore all aspects of manufacturing but focusing on wood products. One student (pictured above) is currently



designing a chair out of materials sourced from PBC Building Supplies, Bradford.



Scheme Co-ordinator, Shaun O'Hare said..

"We're always looking for waste timber and we would be interested in any good quality soft or hard woods from businesses or other

sources. Quantities are only limited by the size of our van, but we can also accept deliveries. We would recommend people to put their wood on whywaste.org.uk"

The Micro Exchange provides partners with materials. Jesse Referral Unit, for example, follows an alternative curriculum and the timber has enabled their students to make habitat boxes. The students have also provided schools with planters and window boxes and the 'Friends of' groups have been provided with materials to restore park buildings, allotments with fencing and garden plot signs.

The students have also been busy making racks to store the timber and Bradford Repaint have provide the preservatives and paints.



GOOD NEWS FOR BRADFORD FURNITURE

Bradford Council has increased its support for Bradford's furniture reuse projects. In addition to the £49 re-use credits paid for every ton of domestic furniture diverted from landfill, as of April 2007 they have agreed to pay an extra £51 per ton to cover the collection of furniture in recognition that it is reducing the number of Council collections. This means £100 a ton for furniture reused.

PAINT AVAILABLE

With the weather like it is, it seems the perfect time to get on with that decorating and brighten the place up.

Bradford Repaint has surplus paint available for free to members or 75p per litre to those on low incomes in the following colours: yellow, green, pink, orange and terracotta. Call Karen Hutchinson on 01274 737267 quoting Freecycle.

RECYCLING MADE EASIER

Bradford Council has opened a new household waste recycling centre on Midland Road, off Queens Road, Manningham, as part of its plans to increase recycling. Facilities are provided to recycle glass bottles and jars, garden waste, cans and foil, batteries, textiles, fridges,

TV's and freezers, paper, wood, cardboard and plastics.

FREE RECYCLING FOR TOWN CENTRES

Bradford Council is piloting a paper and card recycling scheme in Bradford, Ilkley, Addingham and Keighley town centres. The service is a joint initiative with Yorkshire Forward. The recycling service forms part of the trade waste contract and no additional charge is made. The take up has been huge with 240 businesses now signed up resulting in 13 tonnes being diverted from landfill in one week.

WASTE CHASERS RECRUITING DRIVER

Waste Chasers offers a fast and reliable recycling service to offices in Bradford, collecting paper, card and toner cartridges for a small fee. It also offers a confidential shredding service.

They currently have a full-time vacancy for someone who is capable of lifting heavy bags of paper and is not afraid of hard work, and is also able to drive a 7.5 tonne truck. It is a worker co-operative so the successful applicant can really get involved in the running of the organisation and can help develop and expand the service. It's an opportunity not to be missed. For more information on Waste

Chasers visit www.wastechasers.co.uk or tel. 01274 720740.

WHY WASTE

The Why Waste website was launched during March and the site has had a colossal 8902 visitors since. A successful marketing campaign has resulted in over 700 new businesses from the Yorkshire & Humber region signing up to Why Waste's free online waste exchange and successful exchanges are taking place every day. With Landfill Tax set to double in the next three years every business needs to tackle their waste management strategy sooner rather than later.

Thanks to funding from the Business Reuse Fund Paul Forrest, Regional CRN Co-ordinator is spending 2 days a week working on the projects, assisting community waste project to participate fully in the Why Waste scheme.

If you can think of anyone who could benefit from the Why Waste service then please let them know about

What's on



why waste

A sample....

- Fabric scraps 2 boxes per quarter
- 4m long black plastic tubing
- Car tyres - 500 per quarter
- 20 sacks of waste paper
- 280 desks, beds, mattresses, chairs

Find out what's on @ www.whywaste.org.uk





NAPPY PROJECT LAUNCHES CAMPAIGN TO



MAKE DISPOSABLES HISTORY

Bradford Real Nappy Project held their third Teddy Bear's Picnic in Lister Park on Thursday 21st June, with the help of local Sure Starts, Bradford Council, and local nappy businesses - Nappy Train (nappy laundry), Little Ogres and Baby Bean. The team would like to express thanks to all those involved as the event was a huge success. This year was the largest event so far with more than 750 families attending.



"We were thrilled with the turnout as the weather had been so uncertain and we've had a tremendous response to our Make Disposables History campaign" Cathy Henwood, Bradford Real Nappy Project Manager



Many local organisations working with children and families have stands at this annual event to promote their work, while the primary focus remains that of raising awareness of modern washable nappies. This year there were many activities for children such as making toy nappies for teddies and Poppets Puppets managed to bring nappies into their story lines throughout their entertaining performances. Parents also had an opportunity to find out about and purchase real nappies.

This year, the project used the event to launch its campaign to "MAKE DISPOSABLES HISTORY" with a fantastic Real Nappy Parade, we invited all families who are proud of using cloth nappies to

come and join in. A few dressed up to show off their stylish nappies and paraded around the park with "MAKE DISPOSABLES HISTORY" banners. We started a petition for real nappy users and supporters to sign up to and the campaign got off to a great start, with people and organisations signing up to MAKE DISPOSABLES HISTORY - "I'm behind it".

You can get behind us by signing our petition online via our website www.beat.org.uk and clicking on the "MAKE DISPOSABLES HISTORY" link. If you would like to join our campaign by starting a petition at your workplace or among your friends and family then email us at nappy@beat.org.uk and we'll gladly send you a petition.

A HUGE THANKS TO OUR YOUNG CAMPAIGNERS





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BRADFORD COMPOST CO.

The team at The Bradford Compost Company - the new public face of BOCS - have progressed their food and green waste collection scheme at a fantastic pace in recent weeks. To help ensure that their customers instantly understand the purpose of the business they will now be known as The Bradford Compost Company. A new logo and strap



line combine to reinforce the recycling ethos of the organisation and their core aim of creating high quality compost for the benefit of the community.

Working as a member of the national kitchen waste trials run by WRAP, other advances include the recent appointment of a new Sales and Marketing Manager and the purchase of a customised fleet of vehicles. The first consignment of kitchen caddies and outdoor bins are on their way and the construction of the tailor made composting site will commence this month.

And that's not all! To get the scheme underway a whole raft of new recruits are required. Numerous positions such as collection crew drivers and operatives; doorstep promotion teams and sales and marketing assistants are being recruited. If you feel that your skills and knowledge would contribute to the team, please visit the B CEP website

www.bcep.org.uk and click on the 'what can I do' link for further details and an application form.

STOCKS RISE FOR FOOD BANK

Since the last newsletter the Food Bank has received a great deal of food from a number of different sources, and has set up a new storage facility using shelving sourced through Why Waste which has saved the charity ££££'s. The project is still looking for volunteers with transport who can help collect, sort and distribute food via the storage facility.

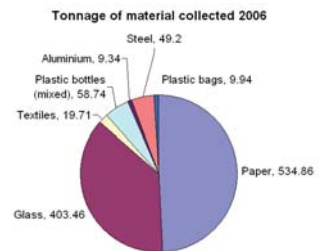
To remind you, the project needs dry tinned, packet or otherwise imperishable and unopened food stuffs from businesses or individuals e.g. tins of meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, beans, tomatoes, potatoes, cream, rice pudding, custard etc also jars of jam, pickles, preserves, cooking sauces, coffee etc. and packets and cartons of rice, pasta, noodles, UHT milk, sugar, tea, biscuits etc. No foods can be accepted that are past their "Use by" date.

The food is given to community groups who can distribute it to their clients, be it lone parents, asylum seekers, the disabled or the elderly. If you know of a group who would be interested in distributing food from the Food Bank or would like further information about the project then call Lashman Singh 01274 521028, Helen Bradshaw 07939 088403 or Keith Thomson 01274 542672.

AIRE VALLEY RECYCLING NOW RECYCLE CARTONS

AVR are now collecting beverage cartons such as those made by Tetra Pak UK Ltd. Historically, these have been difficult to recycle as they often consist of other materials as well as paper that aren't so easy to recycle.

Last year the scheme managed to divert 1200 tonnes from landfill.



For further info contact Richard Topham on 01535 618207 email avr@hotmail.co.uk.

SPACE AVAILABLE FOR LEASE

Keighley Furniture Project still has space available at Springfield Mill, Oakworth Road, Keighley for a recycling/reuse project to lease out. For further information contact Ann Sheriff on 01535 601999.



SCRAP STORE FOR BRADFORD

Scrap Creative Reuse Project have had a good response to their request for premises to set up their scrap store in Bradford. They were looking for a host for one day, bi-monthly. Louise will be getting in touch with people shortly, as she has been busy launching the project. If you have suitable premises please contact Louise Lucas on 0113 2467510 or email: louisemlucas@yahoo.co.uk.

RECYCLE ROBOTICA

The IT equipment recycler and repairer Sava-Comp of Keighley has constructed a robot out of old PC's and spares to promote reuse and recycling as opposed to landfill. The Sava-Comp Robot attended the Keighley Gala on 30th June and was paraded on a 2 hour journey through



the town. Sava-Comp, are a subsidiary of the Russell Street Project, a charitable and not for profit organisation. They will be happy to hear from any businesses, local enterprises or private householders who need computers recycled or refurbished either by email dave.spencer@rsproject.co.uk

co.uk or Telephone: 01535 692050 or visit www.sava-comp.org.uk.

WHAT ON EARTH IS BEF?

Bradford Environment Forum...

- brings together people, resources and ideas to enable positive environmental activity in Bradford.
- co-ordinates events, meetings and discussion.
- provides a forum for exchange of information.
- creates opportunities for partnership working.

BEF is currently developing a website that will become a place where people can go to find out about environmental activities and projects taking place across the District, encompassing

an events calendar and local environmental news. The site will also provide contact details for the many various organisations and groups working towards a better environment in Bradford.

If you are doing environmental work in Bradford then BEF wants to hear from you. Contact Jonathan Pollard, BEF Co-ordinator at jonathan_pollard@hotmail.co.uk or tel 01274 513102. You can view the website in progress at www.bef.nornirtech.co.uk

BRADFORD WASTE FORUM OFFERS...

Forums and meetings for networking and discussion about waste issues, signposting to and support with grants, advice on waste strategy and legislation, advice on setting up new projects.

SNIPPETS OF INFO

1. Next BEF meeting 18th September 10am, venue: CNet, Shipley. Join the group at http://groups.yahoo.com/group/bradford_environment_forum/
2. Have you seen Bradford Council's fun new waste website for kids? <http://www.wasteinvaders.co.uk/>
3. As a registered charity you can get software for next to nothing or even free. For further details go to www.ctxchange.org. There is also a wealth of free IT support, such as web design available for further details see <http://www.bradfordcvs.org.uk/ICTinfosh.doc>.
4. BT even give away computers with free broadband connections.
5. Did you know that Bradford CVS have got a new Funding Advisor - Chris Light? Call 01274 722772 or email chris@bradfordcvs.org.uk
6. Did you know that the University of Bradford is looking for 4-12 week placements for its students? Why not start thinking about how they could help you? See <http://www.bradford.ac.uk/gateway/recruiting/sumplacements.php> for further details or telephone Melanie Powell on 01274 236227.
7. Did you know that you can get 14 hours of free marketing advice and support from Sarah Moss, Strategic Funding Officer (bfunded), Keighley CVS. Call 01535 665258 for details.

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