

NEWSLETTER



WEST LOTHIAN
CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

MEMBERS' MEETING

Join us online on the evening of 16 April to hear what we've got planned. Our membership stands at 53 and we're keen for more to join. Staff and the board have been busy getting our infrastructure in place to support groups and help your projects to make progress. Network members have been sent the [joining details](#) for the meeting, which will start at 7pm. If any group hasn't received this, get in touch [here](#).

ECO FUND STORIES

Many thanks to groups who received Eco Fund awards for updates of their work. We need to hear from all as soon as possible as we have to report to the Scottish Government by end of April. We'll be featuring all groups to share the fantastic climate action work you've begun. Here are a few highlights, more next month.

Easter Breich Community Wood Group: Paid for volunteers to learn to use scythes to improve grass management and promote wildflower growth.

Almond Valley Nature Action: Promotes citizen science through nature walks to start monitoring bee populations and for tree identification.

West Lothian Youth Action Project: Repair and development of fruit and veg growing areas to support families in Craigshill area of Livingston.

Stoneyburn and Bents Future Vision: Bought litter pickers, trees, planters and materials to work on food growing projects with schools and community.



WLCAN OUT AND ABOUT

The team were delighted to deliver our first workshop - a morning of climate education and mural making with P6 children from Bankton Primary as part of West Lothian College's Eco Week. We also visited the college's Eco House construction showcase, where students learn to build sustainably.



SCCAN national gathering emphasises local action

We learned about other groups' work at the Scottish Climate Action Network national gathering in Glasgow, where workshops were heavily focused on having participants think about what action would improve their own areas.



Coming up...

Join campaigners to deliver Winchburgh station petition

Winchburgh Community Council and Community Development Trust have invited members of the public to join them in delivering a petition to reopen Winchburgh train station to the Scottish Parliament on Tuesday 16 April. Meet at parliament at 12.20pm or on the 10.48 X38 beside Sainsbury's to travel together.



Almond Valley Nature Action monthly ramble and chat, Sunday 14 April
More info [here](#)

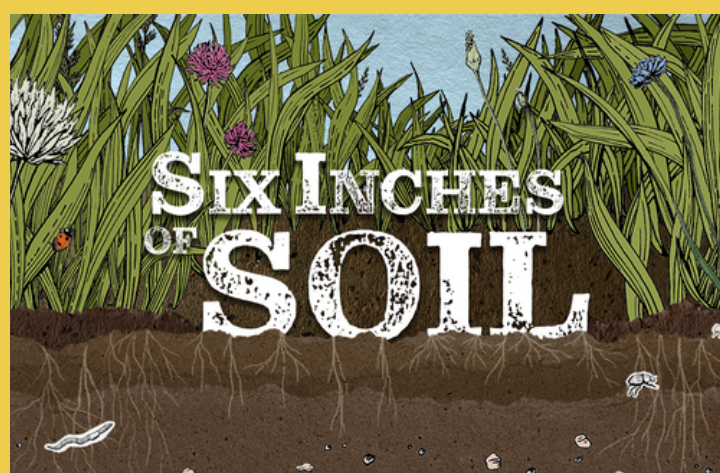


Developer seeks railway backing

Winchburgh Developments would like the financial contribution it must make to the bus corridor on the A89 to be diverted instead to a new station. It has applied to West Lothian Council to seek permission. WDL is asking for the public to write to the council in support. For more information see [here](#)

West Lothian Financial Inclusion Network open day - clothes and more for sale 12-3pm, 20 April
more details [here](#)

Now open for applications: Climate Engagement Fund - support for climate action activities.
More info [here](#)



Film screening and join discussion

We're looking forward to the West Lothian Producers' Market's screening of Six Inches of Soil on Wednesday, 24 April, 6-9pm. This screening will be followed by a panel discussion our team will be part of. Watch the trailer and book your spot in the link: [Tickets](#)

Interested in climate training? We'd like to hear from you! We can offer free workshops and events. Contact us [here](#)

Retrofit campaign coming to screens

A media campaign on retrofitting homes and buildings for insulation and other energy saving measures launches from mid-May. The Integrated Employer Engagement Team under the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal is looking for content to help improve understanding of adapting the 'old into the new.' Video clips cover industry and domestic case studies including WLCAN's own Neil Barnes, who chats about his own home's retrofit. If you would like to contribute, [Email](#)

