

New Way Eco Ideas & Resources

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Plastic free & palm oil free local shopping

Zero Waste on wheels – local refill company <https://www.facebook.com/ZeroWasteonWheels/>

(We request a refill delivery once a month when zero waste on wheels is due in the Maidstone/Bearsted area- dates advertised on Facebook then message to request)

Morrisons is the ‘least worst’ supermarket for single use plastic- why not take a large bag for all your fruit and veg and buy loose. Also find tinned, boxed or glass products instead of those with plastic – it is more possible than you think. Check ingredients for palm oil.

Ethical superstore for a wide range of eco products <https://www.ethicalsuperstore.com/>

(We do a monthly order to bulk buy palm oil free soap, recycled toilet rolls with no plastic, recycled kitchen roll no plastic plus more.)

The alternative consumer organization like Which

Assesses & ranks companies & products on their environmental & social impact in a shopping guide. Doing the homework so you don't need to :

www.ethicalconsumer.org/

Local Recycling of hard to recycle plastics

Zero Waste on wheels – also takes a wide range of recycling including for Terracycle www.facebook.com/ZeroWasteonWheels/

Terracycle – for a wide range of hard to recycle products – see website for full list and map shows locations of collection points

www.terracycle.com/en-GB/

Morrisons soft plastics recycling

<https://www.morrisons.com/help/stores/store-services/#what-can-i-recycle-in-your-stores>

Coop soft plastics recycling

<https://www.coop.co.uk/environment/soft-plastics>

Contact lens & contact lens bottles recycling

<https://www.specsavers.co.uk/contact-lenses/recycling>

Shoe recycling at Clarks stores – any old or unwanted shoes

<https://www.unicef.org.uk/corporate-partners/clarks/>

Pen recycling & ink cartridges in Ryman stores

<https://www.ryman.co.uk/environment>

Weblinks from climate talk on 17th Oct

Triodos Bank

Only invests in environmental friendly & social enterprise projects. Peace of mind knowing your money is not being used for fossil fuel projects. Be part of the solution not the problem.

<https://www.triodos.co.uk>

Kent's Plan Bee

Encourage pollinators in your gardens & work with KCC, Kent Wildlife Trust & Bumblebee Trust to join up green corridors for bees & butterflies to thrive

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/environment-waste-and-planning/nature-and-biodiversity/pollinators/kents-plan-bee-pollinator-action-plan>

Air Source Heat Pumps for central heating & hot water (air to water)

<https://www.ethicalconsumer.org/energy/shopping-guide/heat-pumps>



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We had an LG heat pump installed in Feb 2020 before this article was published after doing some of my own research on LG as a company and as a product. Compared to other manufacturers such as Mitsubishi, LG was better environmentally as a company and as a product.

Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive for air source heat pumps

<https://www.gov.uk/domestic-renewable-heat-incentive>

file:///C:/Users/Other%20People/Downloads/drhi_essentialguide_forapplicants_mar2021_v7.pdf

RHI is a quarterly payment from government for 7 years that pays for most of the Air Source Heat pump. The RHI is available for anyone who completes an installation before 1st April 22.

In our case it was £12k and we get £11.5k back from the government as £365 per quarter which we pay back to the in-laws every quarter as we borrowed the upfront cost from them)

Specialist Air source heat pump installer list

installer must be MCS Accredited to get RHI (Microgeneration Certification Scheme)

<https://mcs-certified.com/find-an-installer/>

Solum GB <https://solumgb.co.uk/>

Solum GB were our installer as they were a bigger company than some of other local installers and had the product we wanted even though they had to travel from Dorset and stayed locally all week.

We had a team of 3 installers who worked well and hard for 3 days to install the air source heat pump.

Well worth the slight inconvenience for peace of mind knowing we now heat our home & hot water without gas!

Ecocide

Proposed International Ecocide Criminal Law – game-changing law to hold CEO's of companies to account for environmental destruction – please support & watch this space!

www.stopecocide.earth

CEE Bill

Climate & Environmental Emergency Bill – please support & help lobby your MP – now has 118 MP's supporting it with cross party support.

www.ceebill.uk/

Doughnut Economics

a new way of organizing the economy - living within planetary & social boundaries at a city & regional level and national & international level & recently at individual level. 1st Doughnut city is Amsterdam, Cornwall aiming for Doughnut region.

<https://doughnuteconomics.org/>

<https://www.kateraworth.com/doughnut/>

Circular Economy

Moving from traditional linear economic model based on a 'take-make-consume-throw away' pattern, a circular economy is based on sharing, leasing, reuse, repair, refurbishment and recycling, in an (almost) closed loop, where products and the materials they contain are highly valued

<https://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/headlines/economy/20151201STO05603/circular-economy-definition-importance-and-benefits>

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