

WeSET inspires – Westmill Coops

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W E S T M I L L



SUSTAINABLE ENERGY TRUST



Your local sustainable energy charity

- Promotes and encourages the deployment of sustainable energy with a focus on a 25 mile radius of Westmill Wind Farm (WWF)
- Funding from Westmill wind, Westmill solar, Midcounties coop, Innovate UK and own events
- Unique type of “active” organisation
- Every energy scheme should have one
- Charity registered 28 October 2009 (1132379)
- Charitable incorporated organisation (CIO) registered 1158820 October 2014 (1158820)
- See refreshed website: www.weset.org



Trustees

- Current Trustees
 - Mike Blanch (Chair and Treasurer)
 - Robert Tapsfield (Secretary)
 - Paul Beattie (new)
 - Chris Church (Project delivery)
 - Barbara Hammond (Low Carbon Hub)
 - Warren Hicks (new)
 - Cecilia Park Olley (Education)
 - Fran Tattersall (SWELL and Volunteers)



Farewell to trustee



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- Clive Burke
- Amongst other things:
 - Member of Wind Over Watchfield
 - Founding Director of Westmill Wind Farm
 - Enthusiasm for green technologies
 - Provided the float
 - Made demonstrators including train set
 - Practical advice and electrical knowhow kept events powered

Thank you



Supporting volunteers

- Website; Chris Wilson
- Education team; Cecilia Park Olley, Sue Currie, Nan Pratt, Liz Rothschild
- Wind farm and solar park guides:
- David Abley, Clive Burke, Ron Colyer, Sue Currie, Andy Day, Chris Hockley, Saskya Huggins, Eoin Lees, Emily North, Richard Lord, Nan Pratt, Geoff and Sue Ramshaw, and Rodney Tillotson
- Thank you

Our officers

- Have part-time
 - Volunteer Co-ordinator: Sarah James
 - Education Officer: Marcus Simmons
 - Events Officer: Jowanna Lewis



Sarah



Jowanna



Marcus



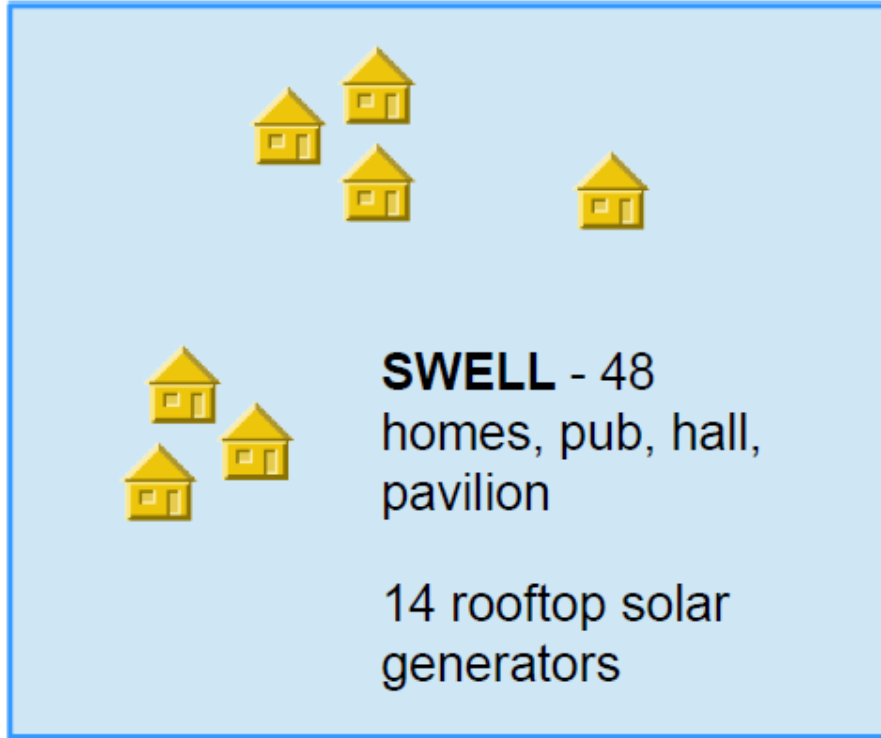
Our Major Activities in last year

- June 2017
 - Solar power and biodiversity seminar
 - Junior's Event: Forces of Nature, Making Electricity Generating Electricity from Wind and Sunlight
 - Seniors event: Clean Energy Futures
 - Community Wind & Solar Farm Open Day
- April 2018 Coleshill earth summit
- April 2018 Swindon Eco Fest sponsorship, stall and talk
- Site visits and talks
- Peoples' power station contribution
- Passed first income from PV on Watchfield Pavilion to Parish Council



Also SWELL project concluded

- Tested the Energy Local Club idea



- Make the most of local renewable generation
- Save money by using cheaper electricity when demand is low or there is plenty of generation
- Keep the benefits in the community

- Variable daily electricity tariff, savings paid in co-op vouchers
- Being tried for real at now at Bethesda: Project OWLET – Cyd Ynni



Projects underway

- The usual: site visits, talks, education, events, site and float maintenance, demonstrators
- School Energy Resource Packs
- Improving the Peoples Power Station
- Warm room at Westmill site - feasibility and Leader funding application
- International energy aid budget – Renewable World
- Helping Farmer Gow's to develop exhibitions on sustainable energy including site visits
- 10 years of Wind over Westmill in June



Event this June – free

Saturday 19/06/2017 at Westmill Wind and Solar Farms:

10 Years of Wind Over Westmill, 11am to 5pm



10 Join us to celebrate
Years of Wind
over Westmill Wind & Solar Farm
Saturday 16th June 2018 Noon - 5pm

Take a site tour
See inside an 81m wind turbine!

Giant Kite Show
Bouncy Castle
& **Treasure Trail**

Live Music
Hot Foods
Hands-on fun:
Black smithing
Kite making
Pedal antics
Local Ales
& more

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& activities
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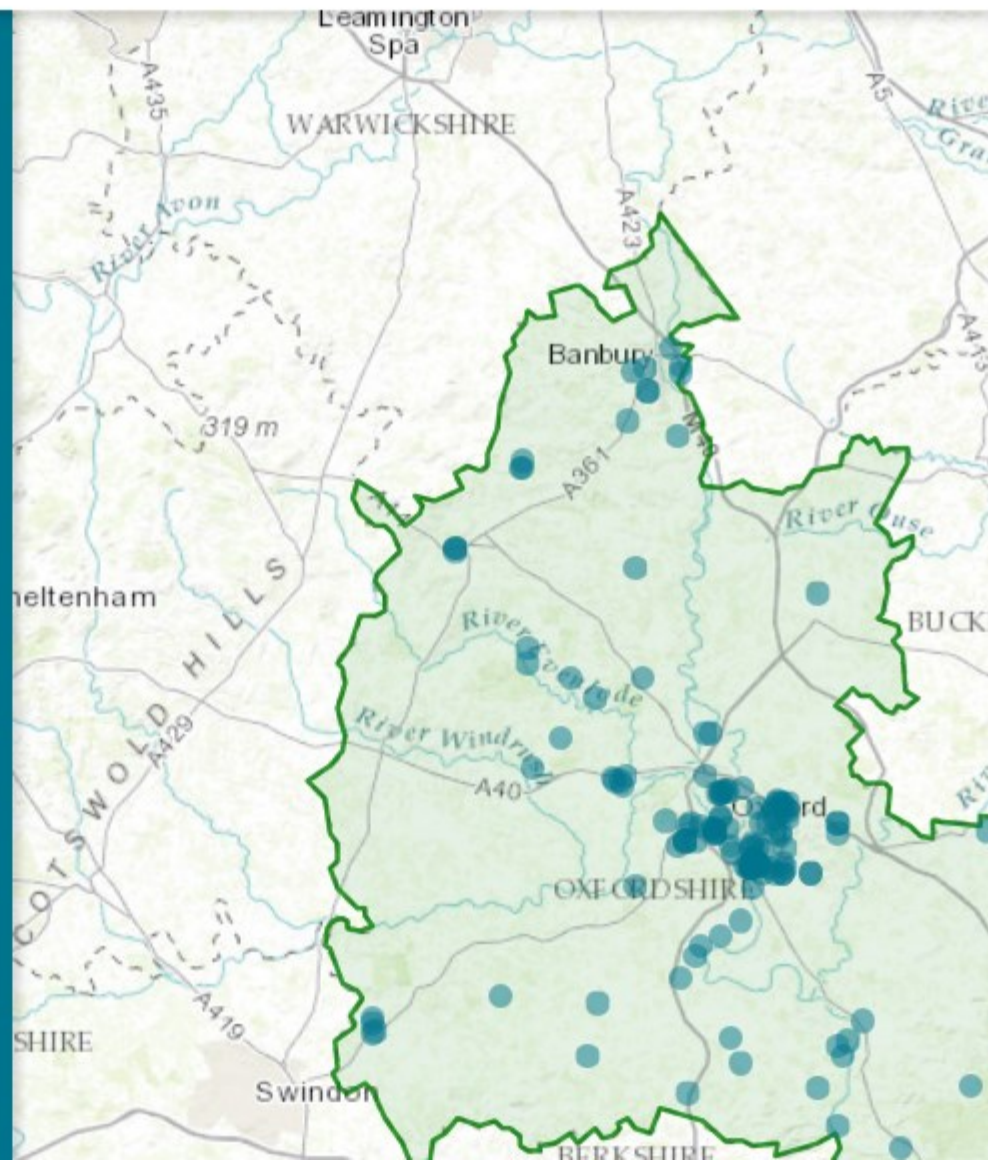
We're mapping renewable energy projects across Oxfordshire, starting with installations belonging to the Low Carbon Hub and some of our partners.

We have installations at **143** sites plugged into the People's Power Station so far.

Together they can generate **23,675,337 kWh** each year - enough to meet **1,488** people's share of Oxfordshire's current energy demands.

Explore the [map](#) to find what's happening near you.

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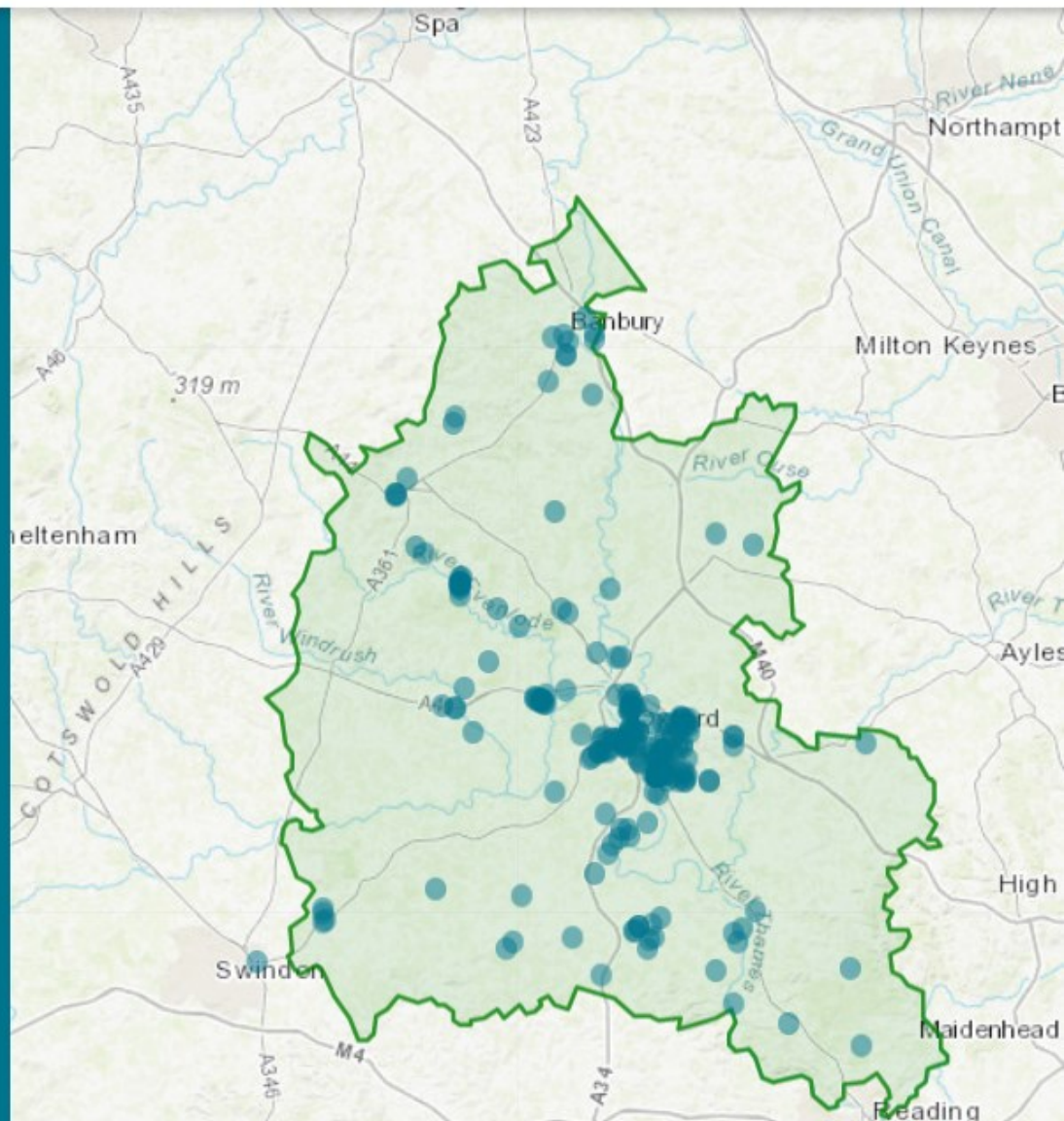
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Guided Tours

Westmill Wind Farm & Solar Park 2018

Dates for guided visits and Open Days

The following days are when we have volunteers available to conduct site visits.

| Day | Date | Time |
|-----------|------------|-------------------------|
| Wednesday | 11th April | Tour Commences at 15:00 |
| Saturday | 19th May | Tour Commences at 15:00 |
| Saturday | 2nd June | Open Day 14:00 - 16:00 |
| Saturday | 16th June | Open Day 12:00 - 17:00 |
| Wednesday | 18th July | Tour Commences at 15:00 |
| Saturday | 25th Aug | Open Day 14:00 - 16:00 |
| Wednesday | 12th Sept | Tour Commences at 15:00 |
| Saturday | 20th Oct | Tour Commences at 11:00 |

Visits for schools, universities and specialist interest may be arranged on other dates subject to availability of guides. Please contact WeSET as below:

Book your visit at: visits@weset.org

Further details at: www.weset.org

Don't forget - it's free to come and see!

Westmill Wind Farm & Solar Park, Watchfield, Swindon, SN6 8TH



What WeSET want to give

- Help to form a charity: charitable incorporated organisation (CIO)
- Visit documentation – forms, risk assessments
- Website
- Advice
- Grants
- Encouragement!
- **Every energy scheme should have one**



Please get involved

- Ideas for spend
- Vacancies for
 - Driving through ideas you may have
 - Helping others drive through good ideas
 - Guides
 - Treasurer
 - Education team
 - Helping at events



Any questions?



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Thank You!

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