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Dear CB&H Circulator,

Welcome to the first Circular Brighton & Hove (CB&H) Newsletter, which we've started in response to requests at our May event. It covers:

-) Dates for your diary
-) What's been happening?
-) How to get involved
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-) About us

You can expect to receive one newsletter every 6 weeks to begin with. If you'd like to keep up with our events in between newsletters, please follow ["Circular Brighton & Hove" on Eventbrite](#).

Best wishes,
Julie, David, Steve, Peter and Sally

Dates for Your Diary

We are running three events for you in June:

Wednesday 5th June, 6pm-8pm [Can the Circular Economy solve the climate crisis?](#) :

Peter Desmond qualified as a Climate Reality Leader at [Al Gore's Climate Reality Project training](#) in Atlanta, USA in March, and is running a session on Climate Change.

Tuesday 11th June, 11am-6pm [Constructing a Circular City](#)

Are you involved in construction or infrastructure? You may be interested in “Constructing a circular city” on 11th June. We are organising this event in conjunction with [Design Brighton](#) and Brighton & Hove City Council. Start the day with tours of the inspirational Waste House in Brighton, followed by panel discussions lead by experts from all areas of circular construction; design, materials, construction, use and end of life. Then sit down for collaborative round table workshop sessions that will contribute towards the circular action plan for the city region.

Sunday 16th June, 2pm-5pm [Make Fashion Circular](#)

Including a clothes swap for men and women, plus school uniforms from Smarter Uniforms, partnering with [RubyMoon](#), [Slow Re Purpose](#) and [Smarter Uniforms](#). See “How to get involved” below if you'd like to volunteer and gain free entry.

Smarter Uniforms is a community organisation that fundraises for schools, saves parents money and protects our planet's precious resources for our children's future through the resale of second-hand uniform. In addition to bringing your clothes for swapping, if your children have any outgrown school uniform, please bring it along to donate it. During the event you will be able to purchase more uniform, at a third of the original cost of new from a selection of good quality school uniforms which Smarter Uniforms have cleaned and smartened up. The money from sales is put into a fund for local schools after running costs are deducted, so you will be fundraising for schools as well as protecting the planet.

Here is the full calendar of events that we currently have on our radar screen - our events have (CB&H) after them, for Circular Brighton & Hove:

Event	Date, time	Location
May		
What is the future of coffee? A coffee evening with Sussex University	Monday 20th May, 6pm-8pm	One Church, BN1 4AA
June		
Can the Circular Economy solve the climate crisis? (CB&H)	Wednesday 5th June, 6pm-8pm	Hanover room, Brighthelm Centre, BN1 1YD
London Circular Economy week - various events	Week commencing Monday 10th June	Miscellaneous venues in London and Brighton
Constructing a Circular City (CB&H)	Tuesday 11th June, 11am-6pm	University of Brighton Edward Street building, BN2 0JG

Tour of Circular Economy businesses on the Circle Line (an "open house" tour of exciting Circular Economy start-ups, initiatives and disrupters based near the Circle Line stations, hosted by the Circular Economy Club London)	Friday 14th June 9am-4pm	London. The day starts at 9.30 with the first visit, moving through the stations of Tower Hill, Blackfriars, Westbourne Park, Shepherd's Bush Market and South Kensington.
Make Fashion Circular (CB&H) (clothes swap - see "How to get involved" below if you'd like to volunteer and enter for free)	Sunday 16th June, 2pm-5pm	Hilton Brighton Metropole, BN1 2FU
Global Sharing Week (by the People Who Share)	Sunday 16th - Saturday 22nd June	See link for miscellaneous events
The Sustainable Transport eVent	9 June 2019 from 9:30am to 3pm	Crawley Town Football Club The People's Pension Stadium Winfield Way RH11 9RX Crawley
Platf9rm presents: The Circular Economy - we'll be talking at this event	Wednesday 19th June, 5:45pm-8pm	Platf9rm, Tower Point, BN1 1 YR
Generation Share at the RSA - Friday conversations (by the People Who Share)	Friday 21st June, 12pm-3pm	RSA House, London WC2N 6EZ
The Big Share (by the People Who Share and The Social Society)	Saturday 22nd June 2019, 4:30pm-8:30pm	Hove Lawns, BN1 3PS
July and beyond		
Sustainable Farming in the City Region (CB&H) - a visit to an organic dairy farm in Lindfield with tour from farmers Jeremy and Dan Burdett	Wednesday 3rd July, 6:30pm-8:30pm	Cockhaise Farm, Lindfield, West Sussex RH16 2QP
Clevergreen festival - we'll be talking at this event	Saturday 20th July	The Level, Brighton
Brighton summit: Crack on - we are helping the Chamber to find one or more speakers on the circular economy theme	Friday 11th October	The Clarendon Centre, Brighton BN1 4GQ
Circular Economy Club -Circular Economy Cities Week	Around 1st November	Details to follow

And one more:

On 19th June, [Debbie Bridge](#) (Shirley the middle-aged siren who entertained us on 1st May) is doing a (totally different but doubtless equally fantastic) show at [Bom-Bane's](#) in Kemptown - "Miss Givings - A year in the life of a musical theatre wannabe" (Tickets £10/8 conc).

To book: janebombane@yahoo.co.uk or call 01273 606400.

What's been happening

Our most recent event, on 1st May, was called "Plastics, Sirens and Declarations", and is detailed in our [blog](#). In short: we started a conversation with our members about co-creating a Circular Economy Declaration, to go alongside the support we're providing to Brighton and Hove City Council (BHCC) to create a Circular Economy framework as part of their 2018-2023 [Economic Strategy](#). We have also set up a [Volunteer Contact Form](#) on our website so that you can let us know your skills and areas of interest and get more involved, and we are crafting a Premium Membership scheme.

A couple of us attended some other events which looked at the need to strengthen the position of Brighton and the region on the national and global business stage - something we believe that the focus on circular economy will support:

- J the discussions during the - "Are Brighton's businesses reaching far enough?" have been well-captured in their [blog](#). We think that our focus on the circular economy can play an important role in promoting local and global collaboration, capitalising on the universities as an untapped resource, and establishing Brand Brighton as a world-class city, and region, with which to do business. We'll remain connected with the Chamber of Commerce, the Council, and other local groups to see how we can explore this further.
- J the [Innovate UK conference](#) in Brighton on 10th April. One recurring theme is that of the role that the council can play in enabling local businesses to innovate and grow within the centres of towns and cities - a point which Ken Webster had made during the talk he gave at our event in February ([blog](#)).

How to get involved?

You can get involved in a whole range of ways, in addition to attending our events. Get in touch via the [Volunteer Contact Form](#) on our website. We've added a list of ideas to get you started - e.g. helping plan and run events, writing blogs, supporting research projects, helping with the declaration.

Within the core team, we've started to formalise how we organise ourselves into roles: Research & Declaration Lead (Steve Creed), Circular Economy Club B&H Lead (Peter Desmond), Communications Lead (Sally May), Events & Membership Lead (Julie Greenfield) and Partnerships & External Relationships Lead (David Greenfield). There's some more information about this in the [blog](#) about our 1st May event.

Shout-out for the clothes swap on 16th June! If you are able to volunteer on 16th June, please e-mail julieg@soenecs.co.uk and hello@rubymoon.org.uk by 29th May 2019. (Volunteers will not pay an entry fee).

Do you run a business in the city or the Greater Brighton region which embraces circular principles? Would you like to have a free promotional video? You may qualify to receive some pro bono support from our partners [Clay Media](#), who have offered to create some promotional videos for local businesses. These will feature in our #GoingCircular campaign to create awareness of circular economy. Please send an email to hello@claymedia.co.uk before 31st May.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Where is the most up-to-date calendar?

A: On our website: [Circular B&H calendar](#)

Q: How can I add an event to your calendar?

A: Fill in the form underneath the [Circular B&H calendar](#) and if it is an event which fits under the "circular economy" banner, we will add it to the calendar.

Q: Please share my event with your mailing list

A: If you send us the information two months before the event, we will be able to add it to our newsletter. We know

how annoying it can be to receive too many emails, so we aim to keep our emails to a minimum - i.e. one newsletter every 6 weeks and an Eventbrite notification and/or email about each Circular Brighton & Hove event.

Q: There's an event with no link in the above calendar! Why?

A: It means there's no Eventbrite page yet, so just make a note of it in your diary. If it is one of ours', you can receive a notification when it goes live by following "[Circular Brighton & Hove" on Eventbrite](#), and if it is being organised by someone else, keep an eye on their social media.

Q: When and where are the Circular Brighton & Hove events?

A: As a general rule, our events are on the first Wednesday of the month, so put a recurring event in your diary if you don't want to miss it. Just be aware that we sometimes vary this, e.g. to accommodate a guest speaker or coincide with a special event, and we sometimes organise more than one event in a month. The type of event, format, and venue varies each month. Check out our [blog](#) for past events.

Q: How can I give feedback/suggest ideas for this newsletter?

A: Please send an email with "Newsletter Feedback" as the title to contact@circularbrightonandhove.uk

About us

Who are we?

A group of 5 people get together to organise the Circular B&H events on a pro bono basis: [Steve Creed](#), [Peter Desmond](#), [David Greenfield](#), [Julie Greenfield](#) and [Sally May](#). We've grown organically and are not (yet) a formal organisation of any kind. We often team up with other groups to organise events, and our members volunteer to help out. We have over 500 members on our mailing list - a wide range of people who have an interest in circular economy - from individuals to businesses to students and academics to local government/council.

What do we do?

We organise events involving businesses, the council, the universities and local citizens who are interested in learning more, and we help people on their circular journey. Definitions of Circular Economy are included on our [homepage](#) and past events are described in our [blog](#).

Contact details:

contact@circularbrightonandhove.uk. [Follow us on Eventbrite](#) to hear about upcoming events, and follow us on Facebook, instagram and Twitter using CircBrightHove. You can also connect with each of us individually through LinkedIn.



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