

Press Release

For Immediate Release

The Chips are Down

Fownhope and District Carbon Reduction Action Group (CRAG) are currently looking for one last local business or organisation, which currently spend over £5000 annually on their heating bills, to install a wood-chip boiler and take part in their Woolhope Dome Community Wood Fuel Project.

The project is offering free wood-chip boilers and free installation and servicing to participating organisations within 15 miles of the Woolhope Dome area.

This innovative renewable energy project, which is a collaboration between Fownhope Carbon Reduction Action Group (CRAG) and Sharenergy, a not-for-profit organisation, aims to use sustainably harvested wood from local woodlands to fuel wood-chip boilers that will heat local business and community premises. The project will be run by a community-owned co-operative which will own and operate woodchip-powered boilers in local premises and provide fuel for these boilers from local sustainable sources.

Chris Boivin a CRAG Member said 'by installing a wood-chip boiler your organisation's carbon footprint will be dramatically reduced, your fuel will be sourced ethically and your business will be able to reduce its heating costs over a number of years'.

Ben Dodd the Development Manager for the Project said 'ideally we are looking for a local organisation or business which heats their premises with oil to take part in the project. We have space for one more organisation, so if it's your own business or you may know of a business which would benefit from the project, please give me a ring on 01530 273 312 to discuss it'.

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For further information please speak to:

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Notes for Editors

- Fownhope is a small village in Herefordshire with a population of just under one thousand. Towards the end of 2007 the Fownhope CRAG (Carbon Reduction Action Group) was established as local residents started to consider the impact of their own carbon footprints. We support each other in reducing those footprints, sharing skills and knowledge in lower carbon living and promoting awareness and practical action in the wider community

<http://www.fownhopecrag.org.uk/>

- Sharenergy is a not-for-profit organisation which helps communities find, build and own renewable energy generation.

<http://www.sharenergy.coop/>

- The Woolhope Dome Community Wood-Fuel Project website

<http://www.sharenergy.coop/woolhope>

