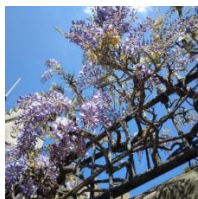


Catz Green Newsletter October 2022



Welcome back to Catz, we hope everyone had an amazing summer, and would like to extend a very warm welcome to our new Freshers! We understand that the beginning of a new year can be a bit much, so whether this is your first year or not, here's some exciting news about green affairs at Catz and Cambridge as a whole:

We've got a **discount code** from Kinkind (<https://kinkind.co.uk/>) a shop that sells shampoo bars: CATHCAM20 for 20% OFF all first orders for Catz students! It can be used up until the end of December so you can use it for Christmas gifting!

- We have another Green Week coming up, which will be the 17th – 23rd October, check out the Facebook event here – [\(2\) Cambridge Green Week! | Facebook](#)
- Our College green guide should also be coming out soon so watch out for that
- Greenbridge is the place for all Cambridge based environment, climate and sustainability related publicity and discussions. Post about any green related projects you want to get the word out about: events, opportunities, jobs, calls for submissions, discussion groups! It can be casual or formal, large scale or small :) Or you can ask a green question you have. It's open to any students and societies (from Cambridge University and ARU), staff, community groups or other organisations based in Cambridge. Link: www.facebook.com/groups/greenbridge/
- Green spaces you can get into for free using your Camcard:
Trumpington Meadows
Cherry Hinton
Sheep's Green and Coe Fen
Botanic Gardens
- New College central spaces (Including a Garden room and other green spaces) are set to open on the 5th of October! ([Central spaces project | St Catharine's College, Cambridge](#))
- Here is an excellent list (with links) of all the main re-fill and zero waste shops in Cambridge <https://www.cambridge.gov.uk/reduce-waste-by-buying-from-refill-shops>
- Two interactive maps of all the environmental and social justice groups in the Cambridge City and University (one for ARU currently being discussed). Perfect for incoming and returning students to understand the 'green' landscape in Cambridge city and university <https://resilienceweb.org.uk/>
- Check out our website: ([Environmental and Ethical — Catz JCR](#)) for more information on how to get involved



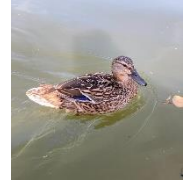
News and articles:

- On the 17th October, the University/ Regent House proposal on fossil fuels will be considered (https://twitter.com/FosFreeResearch/status/1559580664659427328?s=20&t=QzH9qcRJYV3mC8P2J_9WGA). This is great step forward and it is also important to celebrate that Catz does not currently administer any research funding or receive donations/sponsorship from oil or gas companies!
 - This year, Girton College launched a competition to design a new sensory garden as their Green Impact Excellence project as a way to celebrate the centenary of the sixth mistress, Elizabeth Welsh, who helped landscape the



garden ([Celebrating Excellence: Girton Sensory Garden | Sustainability \(cam.ac.uk\)](#))

- Whilst involved in a study of 29 European lakes, Fellow Professor David Aldridge (1997) has found that some naturally occurring lake bacteria grow better on the remains of plastic bags than on natural matter like leaves and twigs, offering a natural way to remove plastic pollution from the environment. ([Natural clean-up: bacteria can remove plastic pollution from lakes | St Catharine's College, Cambridge](#))
 - Given the heat we've had this summer, check out this opinion piece: Expert views on the Drought and Climate Change (<https://www.cam.ac.uk/stories/drought-and-climate-change>)



Events and ways to get involved:

- Cambridge Zero is putting together a film for COP27 featuring conversations between generations across the world. Linktree (<https://linktr.ee/actnowfilm2>), check it out!
- [Engage for Change 2022](#) applications are open! Apply yourself and/or share this opportunity with your peers and friends. Applications close on the 18th October 2022 - [apply now!](#) For



help and advice, check out: [Engage for Change Application Pack](#). [Engage for Change](#) is a 12-week programme that gives you opportunities to gain experience in the world of environmental change-making, improving your leadership and personal development skills. Funded by Cambridge Zero and the Sustainability Team, you will have the opportunity to be supported in the development of a sustainability-based project in something you are passionate about. As part of the programme, you will receive 1.5 hours of training each week and 1on1 support in designing and executing your project! Engage for Change 2022 starts on the 24th October 2022, and concludes on the 20th February 2023. It does not run during the Michaelmas break.

- [The Climate Creatives Challenge](#) – The Climate Creatives Challenge is a series of design competitions, the aim of which is to help support new and novel approaches to communicating the impacts of climate change and the benefits of mitigation, adaptation and resilience.
- <https://www.studentsfortrees.uk/post/join-the-students-for-trees-council> - 'Students For Trees is a student led network, supported by SOS-UK and the Woodland Trust to help educate and mobilise students across the UK to learn about, and to take action for, woods and trees, to help fight the climate and nature crises.' If you'd like to apply to be a member of the Students For Trees Council this year, fill out their [online form](#) by EOD on Sunday 9th October 2022.
- <https://linktr.ee/czsusfreshers> All current students at the University of Cambridge are eligible to apply for these sustainability to learn about and/or get involved in climate change and sustainability work. Here are a range of programmes, opportunities and events available in Michaelmas Term 2022 run by Cambridge programmes Zero and the Sustainability Team: <https://www.zero.cam.ac.uk/who-we-are/blog/learn-act-lead-climate-and-sustainability-opportunities-students-university>
- [Write for Earth – A Hopeful Anthology for the Future \(wordpress.com\)](#). Write for Earth is a project compiling the first-ever Hopeful Anthology for the Future on climate matters. They're calling on people from around the world: everyone from students, builders, teachers and activists, parents and grandparents to write about the climate futures they hope for. Whatever hopes you have for the future, they want to hear them!



We hope you have a great start to the year!
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