



## Catz Green Newsletter November 2022

Hello everyone! We hope that week 5 hasn't got you down too much! With Bridgemas approaching, here are a few tips about a sustainable Bridgemas:

- Shop local and independent
- Think about any presents you're going to get and prioritise quality over quantity – or even give a homemade gift!
- Wrap with recyclable wrapping paper (shiny and metallic wrapping paper is not actually recyclable!) – or not at all! Try putting your presents in a reusable bag instead.

For more information check out: [Top tips for a sustainable Christmas | WWF](#)

### News/events:

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!

- The Sustainability Team and Cambridge Zero are going to be piloting a new climate and sustainability-focused newsletter, written by students for students. The first edition should be coming out this month. If you'd like to find out more, be the first to receive the news about this exciting project or sign up to their mailing lists here: [Climate and Sustainability Mailing Lists \(office.com\)](#)
- There's an ongoing consultation by the Greater Cambridge Partnership surrounding the proposed Sustainable Travel Zone and London-style public transport system in Cambridge. To check out the proposals and have your say, go to: [GCP Making Connections 2022 | Consult Cambridgeshire \(engagementhq.com\)](#). This is an official consultation with the results going to various local authorities, so do show your support for a better bus and transport system in and around Cambridge or highlight any concerns you have about it.

### Ways to get involved:

- For more information on how you can get involved with the Sustainability Team and Cambridge Zero, check out: [Learn, Act, Lead: Climate and Sustainability Opportunities for Students at the University of Cambridge | www.zero.cam.ac.uk](#)
- On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November there will be a Fossil Fuel Free Rally on Downing Site at 2pm. Go to [\(10\) Fossil Free Research Rally | Facebook](#) for more information.
- Chloe from Plant-Based Universities Cambridge has got in touch with us about a new campaign:  
**Plant-Based Universities (PBU)** is a student-led climate campaign asking for the university catering services to transition to fully plant-based catering in response to the climate and biodiversity crises.  
A fully plant-based food system would reduce greenhouse gas emissions from agricultural production by 61%, as well as freeing up 76% of global farmland for

rewilding. In a large institution like the University of Cambridge, the impact of reducing meat and dairy consumption would be significant.

The PBU campaign is entirely focused on **institutional change**. We are asking the University of Cambridge to shoulder the climate burden and take decisive action for the good of all students. A major part of our campaign involves demonstrating how plant-based catering can be just and accessible to all.

### **Get Involved**

1. Fill in the [sign-up form](#) to show your support for the campaign and/or get involved
2. Follow PBU Cambridge on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#) for all the latest updates and events
3. Come to the **Cambridge SU Lounge** on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November @ 3pm**. More details below...
4. Join an Outreach team at Downing Site on Thursdays and/or Sidgwick Site on Mondays. More info below!

### **Our Next Social**

Come to the **Cambridge SU Lounge** on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November @ 3pm** for [Plant-Based Future: COPs Vs. Universities](#), a relaxed afternoon of climate discussion and free plant-based food... (contributions welcome!)

### **Join an Outreach Team!**

We have two outreach teams currently speaking to students and gaining support and publicity for the campaign. Anyone can come along and help – for five minutes or the full 90...

- **DOWNING SITE: Thursdays 11:45-13:15**  
[Join the Downing WhatsApp](#)
- **SIDGWICK SITE: Mondays 11:45-13:15**  
[Join the Sidgwick WhatsApp](#)

As ever, if you have any other ideas or would like to get more involved with green issues at Catz feel free to email us or check out our JCR Facebook Page.

Catz-Environmental-Love,  
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