

## The Green Market Place

Over the last 30 years we've all heard a lot, maybe too much, about the free market economy so today we are offering you the free market ecology. On my left hand side we have representatives from local active groups in the community and they will each give a 1 minute pitch to speak about themselves, who they represent, what their doing and then we'll all have an opportunity to walk around their stalls and talk to them in greater depth about what's going in these areas.

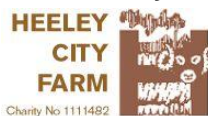
### Danny Piettermeii: Action for Stannington,

I am Danny from Action for Stannington, an organisation set up and run by residents; we are all volunteers. When normal issues can be too big for individuals to help and sort them out so that they can change. What we do is to set up local networks to help, persuade to help our fellow residents increase the level of community involvement for a better planet. We go out and about on the ground in the neighbourhood, highly visible at least three days a week distributing newsletters which we've brought with us.

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### Darrell Maryon, Heeley City Farm



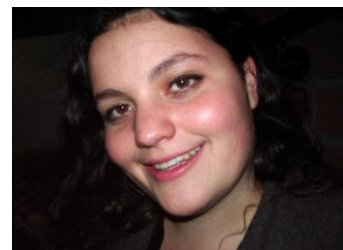
I run the local food project, training people to develop organic food growing skills in local food projects and developing small gardens skills for over 10 years. We look at the bigger picture with a large 3 acre garden at Wortley, North Sheffield to market crops and develop agriculture so we're always looking to involved people in terms of trainees and as volunteers. We also work with schools and advise them to develop their gardens and produce things which are good for their pupils. In this way we also hope that some of the teachers also learn to understand the food production cycle as well. We aim to bring back the culture and contact with nature through food grown.

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### Georgia Walker-Churchman, Pedal-Ready

Pedal Ready is a Sheffield cycling organisation with the remit of encouraging more people to cycle, more safely and more often. Our work in schools equates to Cycling Proficiency which is now called Cycability. We also work with individuals, small and large organisations and anyone who wants to ride a bike in Sheffield as often as possible. Three of the schemes which we organise include: 1-1 training, Learn to Ride at Decathlon and Cycle for Health. At the Decathlon, our trainers will teach people how to ride a bike, which they can also borrow. Cycle for Health is a once-weekly 6-week course in various Sheffield Parks for people to cycle around and just have fun. We remind people that sustainability is fun and cycling in Sheffield's hills isn't only about lycra-clad evangelists.

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**Gordon Ferguson, Sheffield Campaign Against Climate Change (replaces Joan Miller)**

Sheffield Campaign Against Climate Change is part of the national campaign to reduce the carbon footprint. Here in Sheffield we lobby the City Council and Sheffield First about carbon footprint issues. We are opposed to new coal, unsustainable agro-fuels and we want to see the UK take a strong leadership as well as the City of Sheffield.

**Judith Townsend, Sheffield City Freecycle**

Freecycle is an international organisation with about 500 groups in the UK; Sheffield Freecycle started in 2003 and grown steadily ever since with over 12,000 members with new members every day. Freecycle will recycle any unwanted or unneeded items which can be posted. Members email to express interest and the offeror chooses the beneficiary and liaises with them to arrange collection. We have all sorts of things offered ranging from caravans, old bikes or cars, fully fitted kitchens and all sorts of stuff which helps everybody. It's also possible to request things for example a patio table for your garden and if someone has one to dispose of then they may offer it. Even as just one group in Sheffield we manage to keep an enormous amount of stuff out of landfill just by sharing things around in the City.



**Website:** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SheffieldCity-Freecycle/>



**Mark Wells, Sheffield Renewables**

Sheffield Renewables aims to make Sheffield a greener city by building new energy projects and involving local people to volunteer, opening project investment channels or ethical investments in renewable energy projects. We run on a not-for-profit basis and reinvest project funds to make Sheffield greener, create more energy or other sustainability projects. We are working on two hydro-electric projects on the River Don and looking at sites for wind turbines. Sheffield Renewables is always looking for keen volunteers. We will be running a share offering later which may earn interest on your money with wider benefits for the City. Please sign up to our email newsletter from our website

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**Dave Garlovsky, Solar Active**

I've lived in Sheffield since 1991 and in 1993 created the Skills & Homes Energy Education Project based on schools and general public advice and other energy use. In that initial work which we did in schools we found very little knowledge about energy renewables so we developed resources and an educational approach for teaching renewable energy technologies. The curriculum covers many topics, it lacks understanding of how solar electricity works, so we devised resources and projects with the likes of Heeley City Farm to encourage people to use new energy use. Our most recent project is a debate on nuclear power to inform on the true costs of nuclear power and whether or not it has any value.



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**Maxwell Ayamba, Shebeen (Sheffield Black & Environmental Network)**

I am an environmental journalist at Sheffield Hallam University and Shebeen's Project Co-ordinator – a lot has been written or said about the environment but nothing said about under-representation of black and ethnic communities in the environment which SHEBEEN aims to address. We look at under-representation of Sheffield's black communities and to increase involvement, act locally, think globally and work with everyone.

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**Nick Parsons, South Yorkshire Energy Centre**

Subject to your sources, at least 60% of houses when we reach 2050 have been built. South Yorkshire Energy Centre raises awareness of sustainable building practices to make our buildings more sustainable. We transform 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century housing into 21<sup>st</sup> century properties. SYEC raises awareness information, how-to's, hands-on training building, sustainable building, timber-frame buildings, straw-bale building; teaching eco-refurbishment and build confidence to act or ask somebody else, consultancy or project management, at the base of which is changing behaviour, taking the green mind-set, consideration of everything, reducing carbon and changing society.



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