

SUSTAINABILITY MATTERS GROUP
MEETING REPORT - 9th February 2026



Our February meeting was a busy one with lots of information shared, decisions made and some of the loose ends from our January planning meeting tied up. Still a work in progress!

The first was the proposed change of name for our group. With the agreement of members 'Sustainability Matters' has now replaced the more opaque 'Trojan Mice'. Julie had created an attractive logo which represents well the group's concerns and ambitions for our planet.

Some time was spent delving into the support, resources and contacts that the u3a Trust offers us at a national and regional level. As we try to take the next step in strengthening our responses to the issues we explore, both in our meetings and through our recycling hub, we will be making connections beyond our own group through the 'Climate Change and the Environment' subject networks that the u3a organisation offers us.

The Big Plastic Count



JOIN THE UK'S BIGGEST PEOPLE-POWERED INVESTIGATION INTO PLASTIC WASTE.

For one week in March, thousands of us will count our plastic waste to reveal the true scale of the UK's plastic problem. Together, we'll call for a fair future that's free from the impacts of the plastics crisis.

HOW WILL YOU TAKE PART?

As an individual or household

As a class or school

SUBMIT

From the 9-15th March we will be counting our household plastic waste alongside thousands of others. This Greenpeace annual campaign to investigate the size of the UK's plastic problem is open to everyone so do join us and encourage your friends and family. Register on the Big Plastic Count website by clicking here: [The Big Plastic Count](#)

Then download the Let's Count tally sheet and record the plastic packaging your household collects over one week.

As well as reporting our individual results we hope to take this issue further locally by exploring whether, how and where our local supermarkets actually recycle the soft plastics they collect in store.

Food Waste Recycling

The new Food Waste recycling scheme being introduced across Lincolnshire during March was also discussed and the guidance being provided by our district councils distributed. Finally we revisited our emerging programme for 2026. There was a lively discussion of the group's recommendations and sharing of individuals' insights and contacts. Hopefully by the March meeting our plan for the year will be in place. 🙌

Everyone is very welcome to join any of our meetings. We look forward to seeing you.

Heather