

2024 Camborne Regeneration Forum Youth Conference at the Fibre Hub

'Sustaining our Planet'

The causes of pollution – the problems created – what we can all do to reduce pollution.

Presentations

Ivor Corkell – Camborne Regeneration Forum Vice Chairman & Treasurer

Empowering you to make a difference to waste

Ivor is a Cornish Bard & historian. In his youth he represented Cornwall in athletics, cross country and rugby. He has a long family history in aviation. He worked as an aircraft design engineer and was a pilot and flying instructor. He was a university lecturer working in Manchester, Zimbabwe and finally for the University of Exeter at the Camborne School of Mines. Ivor told us about some of the more common materials in use today & how we create too much waste & pollution from them.

Will Paris & Sam Seviour – Biffa Engagement and Enforcement Officers

What happens to our waste?

Biffa services the whole of Cornwall County by collecting everyone's general waste, recycling and food waste. They also ensure towns, villages and beaches are kept clean. Will & Sam talked about what happens to our waste materials in Cornwall, looking at the impact it has on the environment, and told us about the new changes that we will see in Cornwall.

Brian Terry – Camborne Regeneration Forum & Fairtrade Camborne

Use your LOAF (Locally sourced – Organic – Animal Welfare Friendly - Fairtrade)

Brian is probably best known for steering Camborne through to becoming a Fairtrade Community and helping to maintain that status for the last 14 years. He is a scientist by training and, as well as knowing a lot about Fairtrade, he is knowledgeable about climate change and living a low carbon lifestyle.

Brian talked about LOAF - a way of thinking about food to reduce our environmental impact.

Ed Hart & Phil Green - Community Outreach Workers at RJ Working

Youth-led Climate Awareness

Ed and Phil are part of RJ Working's youth-led community team, working across the Camborne, Pool and Redruth areas to facilitate conversations linking climate change to health and wellbeing. 'RJ' stands for 'Restorative Justice,' which simply means resolving harm through discussion and taking steps to meet the needs of the person(s) harmed.

Ed & Phil told us how restorative practice is especially relevant for people and the planet, given how climate change impacts our community food security, health/public services, and infrastructure, as well as our connection to the natural environment; the health and wellbeing of nature.

Maggie Eastman & Sharon Foster – Camborne Green & Clean

The Green & Clean Group of Camborne was set up in March 2015 by Cornwall Councillor Paul White with a mission to improve the environment throughout the Camborne parish.

With a volunteer group of up to 30 people they meet at weekends to collect all the rubbish that is left in side roads, lanes, parks & hedges,

Maggie & Sharon are members of the team & told us their stories.

Melanie Pellow – Tesco Supermarket Recycling

Melanie has worked for Tesco for 19 years &, for the last 18 months, she has taken on the role of Community Champion. Tesco's do a lot of great things within our community from helping at

coffee mornings, going into schools with a selection of fruit for children to try, litter picks, helping at the local food bank - the list is endless.

Melanie told us about how Tesco recycle their cardboard, plastics and food at the end of each day.

Jolene Etheredge – Camborne Community Larder

Jolene told us how Camborne Community Larder provides surplus food, from Tesco & other shops, FREE for all to have from their pop up larder at Camborne Library every Monday morning from 9.15 to 10.30am. They also provide crisis boxes for people in need and help provide meals for the homeless.

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