



## Marden Parish Council Environment and Sustainability Group

- **COP26** is taking place, as you know, in Glasgow in November this year. This is an incredibly important moment for the future of our planet and the lives all of us are likely to live. Climate change and depletion of biodiversity is happening and if we all do a little to reduce our own carbon footprint and our impact on biodiversity, it will make a huge difference.
- **What is The Great Collaboration?** This is a web-based tool developed by Herefordshire Green Network in conjunction with Caplor Horizons and trialed by Fownhope Parish Council. It helps people think about their carbon footprint, it comes with lots of information and suggestions about what you can do. It is being rolled out across Herefordshire to fight climate change. Fownhope was the first to join and we joined soon after. Other Parishes will follow, helping Herefordshire achieve the net zero target by 2030.
- **The launch in Marden!** We launched the Marden Great Collaboration in September. Thank you very much to everyone whom we met at the September Spectacular and who have already used the website – your commitment is hugely appreciated.
- **What can we all do to make a difference?** You are probably taking action already – that is a great start. On the Great Collaboration website you can record what you are doing already and then you can look at what you might like to add to that. Joining the website will also give the Parish Council vital information [anonymously, of course] about what you are currently doing and the actions you would like to take, but for various reasons currently cannot. The Parish Council can use the information to decide how to spend money and resources to help support parishioners in reducing their overall carbon footprint.

So, it would be fabulous if you were to register and use the website. If you need any help, please do contact me.

The website is [www.greatcollaboration.uk](http://www.greatcollaboration.uk)

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