SUSTAINABLE KIRTLINGTON ACTIVITIES, 1.03.2025 – 10.05.2026

20.03. Community Land Trusts. Presentation of Community Land Trust housing scheme at Hook Norton, with Cathy Ryan of the Low Carbon Hub and Charlie Luxton, architect, both residents of HN.
(5 volunteers, 29 attendees)

17.04. **Bicester Green:** a talk by trustees Peter and Sarah Salisbury, about their work - library of things, repair café, etc.
(5 volunteers, 16 attendees)

22.10. A Sustainable Building for our Times.
The architect Andrew Banks, concerned for many years with the effects of climate change. As an architect, he has been developing ways of mitigating this problem through the design and construction of the projects he works on. He discussed the sustainability of the proposed community shop – from the choice of timber for the building, the available options for its foundations, the energy-efficiency of the structure, and proposed heating and cooling plans.
(5 volunteers, 20 attendees)

4. 10. Community Orchard: Apple Day.
SK is always active on this day, pressing apples brought by villagers into juice sold to support the orchard.

12.11. St Mary's Church, 9.45-10.45: 'Tips and gadgets to keep you warm this winter'
4 SK members joined the coffee morning for informal chat and an opportunity to browse through information leaflets and samples: a selection of items to help people take their first steps to making their home more energy efficient, from radiator keys and radiator foil to room thermometers.

29.01 **Screening of 'Fires and Fascism'.** The film was presented to a large audience by its maker, Pete Knapp, and followed by a wide-ranging discussion of the film, the role of big business in the wildfires in southern Europe in 2024, the rise of the far-right in Europe and the potential of community action to counter it.

The SK page in the February/March issue of Kirtlington Village News showed photos of thermally imaged properties in the village, inviting people to have theirs imaged in the autumn.

19.03 **Talk on 'No Dig Vegetable Growing'** by Harrison Fannon, from the Blenheim kitchen garden and his own Worthy Earth market garden in Bletchingdon.