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GREENTTEAM MAWDESLEY



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GreenTeam to help cut Mawdesley's fuel bills

Mawdesley's GreenTeam have been awarded a North West Development Agency [NwDA] Innovation Voucher to help them to reduce the energy bills, and carbon footprints, of their village's residents.

The voucher is designed to help Northwest enterprises purchase an academic institution's expertise. The GreenTeam will invite organisations, such as the University of Central Lancashire, who have already shown interest in working with the GreenTeam, to undertake a comprehensive carbon audit of the village of Mawdesley.

It is intended that a team of students will help the GreenTeam to perform a survey of willing residents, collecting data on their views with regard to climate change and the energy efficiency of their homes. It is hoped this will lead to both financial savings and CO2 reductions for the residents.

The survey will be free of charge, and will include the surveying of homes with an infrared camera to help establish the worst areas of heat loss. Any residents keen to be surveyed, or wanting to know more about it, can either email gtmawd@googlemail.com or sign up at the Post Office.

This is the latest project of GreenTeam Mawdesley who are a growing group of residents keen to make an effort to raise awareness of climate change, and to see what can be done at a local level to reduce carbon emissions.

Other projects the group have initiated include support of a local primary school in a funding application to install a PV solar panel on its roof and a Community Smallholding and Allotment scheme. The group also publish and distribute a quarterly newsletter giving information and advice on environmental issues. Further details of the group and their activities can be found on their website: <http://greenteam.mawdesley-village.org.uk/>

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Note for Editors

Mawdesley GreenTeam was formed in the spring of 2008 with the aim of raising awareness within the village of Mawdesley and surrounding areas of the dangers of carbon emissions and their effect on climate change. The GreenTeam are planning a series of awareness raising events in 2009 as well as conducting research and providing advice on how members of their local community can reduce their own carbon footprints.

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