



### Welcome to the Green Pages!

Welcome one, welcome all, to this issue of the Green Pages!

I hope everyone enjoyed the launch on November 7<sup>th</sup> (overlooking the technical issues and running out of food...)! I was so excited by how many of you turned up. With your help and enthusiasm, we can make this year bigger and better than ever before. We already have over 40 departments across the university taking part in 32 teams – and that number is still growing.

This month we're covering all sorts of exciting things, including the results of the USE Grow Your Own Ideas initiative and the Barber House launch.

If you'd like me to cover something that your team is doing, or if you have a subject close to hear that you'd like me to plug, please just let me know and I'll put something in the next issue!

As always, I'm here if you need any help keeping it green! Just drop me a line at [k.croasdale@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:k.croasdale@sheffield.ac.uk) or ring me on 0114 222 9082.



*Feeding the...100? I'd rather have too little food than waste it, but even I accept that you can't feed 100 people with catering for 35...I promise to provide more next time!*

### In this issue:

- Welcome to the Green Pages!
- Dates for your diary
- Green Impact teams
- GIPA training
- What happens to your waste?
- USE: Grow Your Own Ideas
- Useful websites
- Barber House launch
- Extra info
- Seasonal recipe

### Dates for your diary:

Weds 5<sup>th</sup> Dec 2012, time TBC: second drop-in session (venue TBC)

Weds 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013, 5pm: deadline for workbook submission

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2013, 12pm: awards ceremony

### Green Impact teams:

- Academic Clinical Psychiatry
- ACS: Accommodation Office
- ACS: Halifax Hall
- APS
- BMS
- Chemical & Biological Engineering
- Chemistry
- Chemistry & Physics Workshop
- CiCS



## GIPA training

We have trained over 50 project assistants for the 2012/13 Green Impact scheme. If you have a GIPA helping you, keep us updated with how you're getting on! If they're exceptional, nominate them for the 'GIPA of the year' award!



***Standing out from the crowd:** GIPAs receive full training in their role, including how to carry out an energy audit. They also get some fantastic experience for their CVs.*

## What happens to your waste?

Did you know that the university recycles **over 82%** of our waste? Here's how:

- 🌀 Separate bins for paper and card recycling
  - 🌀 We recycled 192.52 tonnes of paper in 2009/10 (an increase from 21.17 tonnes in 2007/08)
- 🌀 Sending waste to a "dirty MRF" (Materials Recovery Facility)
  - 🌀 The dirty MRF sorts and recycles plastics, metals, glass and wood
- 🌀 On campus, the percentage of waste recycled and recovered has steadily increased from 8.88% in 2007/08, to 43.72% in 2008/09 and a huge 82.32% in 2009/10!
- 🌀 For more information on what happens to the university's waste or guidelines on what you should be doing with your waste, visit [www.sheffield.ac.uk/efm/property\\_business\\_services/recyclingandwaste-disposal](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/efm/property_business_services/recyclingandwaste-disposal).

## Green Impact teams (cont.):

- Corporate Affairs
- Education
- EFM
- ELTC
- Finance, Academic Services and Research & Innovation Services
- Geography
- Humanities Research Institute
- Kroto Research Institute
- LeTS
- Materials Science and Engineering
- mdhFaculty: Cardiovascular Science
- mdhFaculty: Human Metabolism
- mdhFaculty: Infection & Immunity
- mdhFaculty: Nursing & Midwifery (Barber House & Annexe)
- mdhFaculty: Oncology
- mdhFaculty: SITraN
- MBB
- Physics & Astronomy
- Psychology
- Psychology: Alfred Denny Building
- Student Support: Arts Tower
- Student Support: Edgar Allen House
- USE

Not on the list? Sign up on the workbook at [greenimpact.org.uk/sheffield](http://greenimpact.org.uk/sheffield) and speak to me at [k.croasdale@shef.ac.uk!](mailto:k.croasdale@shef.ac.uk)



## USE: Grow Your Own Ideas

Wednesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of November saw the close of a competition organised by University of Sheffield Enterprise intern, Sophie Allen, in collaboration with the Accommodation and Commercial Services and Ethical and Environmental Committee.

Grow Your Own Ideas challenged students to create their own environmental scheme to be implemented in the student residences. Tasks were set weekly to help students to shape their concepts, and teams were ultimately required to prove through surveys and social media that students would get involved in their scheme if implemented.

The winning students, 'The Green Scheme Team', hope to introduce a loyalty card system known as 'The Green Scheme' to the recently opened Village Store in Endcliffe Village. This card will offer doubled points for environmentally friendly behaviour and purchases, such as buying locally sourced products or loose vegetables to avoid packaging, or using a 'Green Scheme Shopper', a reusable bag branded with their scheme logo.



### ***Congratulations to the winning team!***

*From left: Seb D'Souza, Adam Taylor, Karen Boughton, Sarah Bierton, Abby Fletcher, Gavin Brown (ACS) and Ryan Warburton.*

Runners-up were NEST, who conceptualised a mobile app that would allow users to calculate their carbon footprint, and 'Yes We Can', who would use the incentive of Students' Union event tickets with volunteer collection teams to encourage students to recycle waste effectively.

The winning scheme will be implemented in the student residences, and by introducing a scheme that has been created by students, for students, it is hoped there will be greater participation in the scheme and, potentially, improved environmental behaviour.

## Useful websites

- Christian (BMS GI team) and I think you should check out [www.ecosia.org](http://www.ecosia.org). It's a search engine that donates 80% of its revenue to rainforest protection. So far they've donated a whopping £856,934! Make it your default search engine and feel good about yourself every time you trawl the internet!
- While you're at it, Mark (CBE GI team) suggested that we all head over to [www.dropbox.com/spacerace](http://www.dropbox.com/spacerace) and sign up with our university emails to help us all get extra space for free! Dropbox is a great way of sharing resources without printing them off, helping you complete criteria C002 (reducing photocopies) and C003 (taking proactive measures to reduce the number of handouts taken to meetings).
- You might have noticed the BeCause logo that keeps popping up. BeCause is concerned with helping everyone get involved with the university's corporate social responsibility by publicising the ways you can get involved. This includes information on public transport and cycling to work, or just helping you remember to switch off your computer monitor in the evenings. More information is at [www.shef.ac.uk/because](http://www.shef.ac.uk/because). BeCause we're trying to make things better.



## Barber House launch

Did you join the Barber House team celebrating their official building launch? Tim Allen and I had a nosy around the refurbished garden: it's going to look great when the plants start growing!



*Top: the medicine herb garden  
Bottom: climbing apple trees*

## Extra info

- **Drop-in sessions:** every other Wednesday, I will be sitting somewhere in the university for 2 hours. This is your opportunity to come and chat to me about any problems, suggestions, or just to show off about how well your team is doing! The next one is on Dec 5<sup>th</sup>. As it gets closer to the workbook deadline, and depending on demand, they may increase to weekly sessions.
- **Termly meetings:** the first university-wide GI meeting will hopefully be at lunchtime on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December – just before the Christmas break! I will confirm the date nearer the time.
- **Awards ceremony:** vote for the food you'd like for the Awards Ceremony on the forum ([greenimpactsheffield.wordpress.com](http://greenimpactsheffield.wordpress.com)). Would you prefer to invite all of your team members and only get nibbles, or a select few of your team members for a full lunch?

## Seasonal recipe: cockle-warming carrot and orange soup

1 large onion; 8 medium-large carrots; small piece of butter;  
1 tbsp olive oil; 1 orange; 1 litre veg stock/water

-  Peel and cut onion into thin strips. Peel, top-and-tail and chop carrots.
-  Put butter and oil in saucepan over low heat. Add onion, cook for 10 mins, stirring regularly.
-  Grate orange zest into small bowl.
-  Add zest and carrots to onion, cook for 10 mins with lid on
-  Add stock/water and bring to simmer. Put lid back on and leave simmering gently for 45 minutes.
-  Test carrots, if soft then turn off the heat and ladle soup into food processor. Whizz until smooth.
-  Add juice from half the orange, heat gently and season.

