

# Join Us!

## South Hill Association for Renewable Energy (SHARE)

### *Mission*

“Powering renewable energy into a secure and sustainable future for all”.

**SHARE** aims to build a community that is resilient against rising energy prices and reduce the overall carbon footprint of South Hill Parish and beyond.

**SHARE** helps to create renewable and sustainable energy projects, inform on ways to reduce emissions and offers sustainable services to the public. SHARE activities range from recycling, material reuse, encouraging waste reduction and cutting back on food miles, to promoting the use of renewable energy sources and generating income by offering loans to our members as an alternative to public shares. This benefits a wider population as the money raised goes back to the community.

**SHARE** is governed by a Board of Directors, elected at an Annual General Meeting (AGM). Application of profits are determined by the AGM to benefit the local community.

### A brief history of SHARE

#### 2014

- SHARE started, with interest from the Parish Plan and talks with Community Energy Plus

#### 2015

- Launched as a Community Benefit Society
- 4kW Solar PV System installed on the Parish Hall roof

#### 2016

- Slow-Cooker workshop with energy and money saving ideas
- 250 Solar PV Panels installed on an agricultural building in South Hill
- Investment opportunity loan launch

#### 2017

- Local firewood and woodchip deliveries, raising funds to plant trees
- Participated in the Tamar Energy EcoFest Tavistock (also attended in subsequent years)
- SHARE May Day Free Family Fun Day & launched South Hill painted rocks
- Shortlisted for a M&S Energy Grant, Power The Night With Sunlight

#### 2018

- M&S Grant successful and installed an Energy storage battery at the parish hall
- New Year 12<sup>th</sup> night recycling Christmas trees, wine and snacks
- Trees planted around the parish (and

every year since)

- Produced a free Energy saving booklet for every parish household
- Visits to Suez Bodmin recycling plant (material recovery facility) and incinerator (Cornwall energy recovery facility), Langan Farm Anaerobic Digestion Facility and a local working water wheel

#### 2019

- SWISH Clothes swap event
- Recycling for Charity project, saving valuable resources being wasted.
- Investment opportunity for Church Park Solar PV oversubscribed (and again the following year), offering 2 years' term, earning interest at 4%

#### 2020

- Parish Carbon Footprint audit via Atlantic Energy
- Local Woodland management
- Hydro project feasibility study

**SHARE's** four key current activities are:

1. Installation & operation of solar energy
2. Sustainable wood management, replanting and firewood delivery
3. Guidance and help in reducing energy consumption
4. Recycling for Charity project, activities and events

## SHARE continues to

- \* Support local households to make energy and money saving changes
- \* Look for land to create a Community wood and existing woodland to manage
- \* Promote energy efficiency and encourage the delivery of all energy with renewable technology
- \* Encourage people to reduce waste, reuse and recycle more
- \* Promote composting and eliminate food waste
- \* Encourage low carbon modes of transport to reduce emissions, less travel, and car sharing
- \* Advocate buying more second hand goods rather than new
- \* Support shopping locally and highlight the significance of food miles
- \* Safeguard and restore biodiversity and natural habitats, including hedges
- \* Support and participate in community events.
- \* Engage with members, explore new projects and encourage new members

**SHARE** has full members over 18 years of age, that live, work or own property in South Hill Parish, and associate members from outside the parish that support our rules and aims, who have no voting rights but are most welcome for their valued input.

***A Full Membership costs £2  
Associate Membership costs £1  
(one-off payment)***

***You can join SHARE***

***Membership forms are available from our website <http://south-hill.co.uk/share/> or from Astrid Fischer at 01579 383620***

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