

## Group Action.

The steering group meet on a monthly basis to plan ahead and share ideas.

If you are interested in getting more involved with the practical projects that make up a transition town, or the heart and soul group that is its basis, then come .

The next meeting is part business and part social with seasonal bring and share food.

Ana's place

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2010-11-25  
7.30pm**

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### Food Sharing Events.

An entry for your new 2011 diary.

There will be more details in the next newsletter.

it looks as though the food share will be on a Sat. PM - 22nd January in the Moose Lodge ,Chickerell Road, but will confirm if this changes.



Members of the Transition group attend the climate challenge group of this partnership. There are grants available this year for projects that encourage active travel and cycling. Any bright ideas? Come along!

12:30—2:00 14th December at the Council Offices. Jon 772152 for details



*'Children in Charge'*  
**Saturday 4th December 10 a.m. - 12 Noon**  
**1<sup>st</sup> 'Car-less' Boot Sale for children**

Christmas is coming and our thoughts turn to giving presents...  
Here is a chance for children and young people to buy or swop gifts with other youngsters

*unwanted gifts, hardly used toys and games, good quality gear, books, music, DVD's and even well kept clothes and bags.*

**Save your pennies-and save the environment at the same time.**

***BUT NO CARS ALLOWED-*** bring rucksacks/bikes/wheel barrows/cardboard boxes and shopping trolleys. We will be in *St Aldhem's Church Hall, Spa Road, Weymouth, DT3 5EW*

**Free Entry**

### Don't be COLD this winter

SO WHERE DOES YOUR HEAT GO?



Transition takes place in your own home. Saving carbon also means lower bills ! Once insulation is sorted there are new schemes for guaranteed income with photovoltaic panels. Solar seminars now will be after Christmas.

We are planning to have a pre-Christmas energy advice session on Friday 10th Dec in the newly refitted Co-op at Littlemoor and will be using out large Eco-house 1 inside the Co-op. Timings to be decided, but probably late morning to early evening.

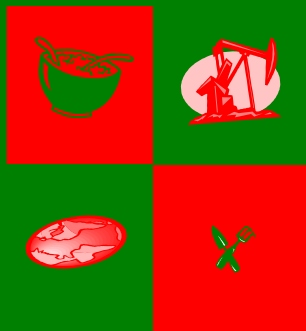
Next WEAC meeting is at Robbie's in Preston on Thu 20 th Jan at 7..30

<http://weymouth-and-portland-transitiontown.co.uk/>

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# Transition Times

November 2010



## Christmas 2010

### Food, glorious food.

Houses are filling with fine food at this festive time. Yet our plentiful supermarkets are only 9 meals from anarchy.

This is the result of globalisation and industrial food factories.

Our cheap food comes from around the globe just in time. We have become detached from the land and the seasons.

Yet many long for the good life. The grow your own message and gardening ethos is a natural urge within us.



A curious offshoot of this impulse is seen in the simulated game that links to facebook.

This has 62 million active users.



How much better to have these skills in the real world. One of the most practical steps one can take towards the transition to a low carbon life is growing food.

Members of the group have been working on a garden share scheme, to link keen growers with willing owners.

Also we are looking for any available land for a community farm or orchard. The good news is that there are practical actions we can take as individuals and families to build a healthy future.

Nine meals from Anarchy. [neueconomics.org](http://www.neueconomics.org)

Food futures: [chathamhouse.org.uk](http://chathamhouse.org.uk)

### Apple Pressing Day

On a bright sunny autumn afternoon a happy band gathered to wash, cut, smash then press apples.

The event was a great success and we aim to build upon it next year by teaming up with the open days at Lorton Meadows with the Dorset Wildlife trust.

One part of the transition is re-skilling in the traditions of local food and drink, that preserved past generations.



### Ingredients of Transition

The ideas around Transition are constantly being updated and refined as we go along. A "pattern" can be described as just another word for "we've seen this problem before" and this is what we did about it. Another word is 'ingredients' and also "A Collection of Ideas and Solutions for Setting Up and Running a Successful Transition Initiative". Read more about the ideas behind the 'pattern' approach here <http://www.transitionnetwork.org/patterns>

### Other peoples events:

**planning application for wind turbines in East Stoke** A special meeting of Purbeck district council's planning board will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at Purbeck School, Worgret Road, Wareham.