

**Principle
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Reviving Co-operative Culture

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This is the first edition of the Principle 5 newsletter.
This month's theme is
community resilience and co-operation

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In these times of uncertainty, with climate change affecting everyone, how can co-operation help us to make our communities more resilient and sustainable?

There are already co-operatives which have taken up the challenge.

Hazelhurst Community Supported Agriculture
www.hazelhurst.coop

Greening Wingrove
<http://greeningwingrove.org.uk/>

Sheffield Renewables
<https://www.sheffieldrenewables.org.uk/>

Carbon Co-op
<http://carbon.coop/about-us>

And many others

Here's what they say;

Hazelhurst

“Hazelhurst Community Supported Agriculture Co-operative Ltd (CSA) aims to reconnect people with where their food comes from, by growing organic fruit and vegetables on a beautiful site in south Sheffield. They run a veg box scheme, selling to local people to provide a direct link between the production and consumption of food, and create a mutually supportive relationship between local growers and local communities. There also are opportunities for newcomers to join and to volunteer, as well as many learning and social activities”.

<http://www.hazelhurst.coop/>

Greening Wingrove

“The Greening Wingrove Community Interest Company (CIC) is a community co-operative that aims to improve the appearance and social ambience of its area in the West End of Newcastle upon Tyne with the intention of creating a sustainable, inner-city garden suburb, reflecting the diversity of its population as Newcastle’s ‘Rainbow Ward’.

<http://greeningwingrove.org.uk/>

Sheffield Renewables

“We are committed to improving Sheffield’s environmental sustainability. We aim to harness local enthusiasm, knowledge and skills by creating an energetic and committed social enterprise. We want to fund, develop, own and operate renewable energy schemes in a way which brings benefits to both the city and its people. Sheffield Renewables is all about working together to make a difference. We are proud of our city. We enjoy living and working here. However we don’t want our lifestyles to cost the earth. We want Sheffield to be a forward thinking place and we’re doing our bit.

We are concerned about the impacts of climate change and the risks of fossil fuel depletion. In responding to these challenges, we see opportunities for building a fairer and more inclusive society”.

We are a registered society under the Co-operative and Community Benefit Societies Act 2014.

<https://www.sheffieldrenewables.org.uk/>

Carbon Co-op

“Carbon Co-op is officially known as the 'Society for the Reduction of Carbon Limited' trading as Carbon Co-op (in Manchester).

We believe the process of improving our homes to 2050 standards will be quicker, easier and cheaper if we work together, teaming up with friends and neighbours to share experience, knowledge and reduce costs through bulk purchase”.

<http://carbon.coop/about-us>

Books which help to address the challenges of climate change and the fossil fuel crisis;

Co-opportunity

John Grant

<https://www.principle5.coop/books/co-opportunity>

read an extract from Co-opportunity

<https://www.principle5.coop/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/from-Co-opportunity.pdf>

The Power of Just Doing Stuff

Rob Hopkins

<https://www.principle5.coop/books/the-power-of-just-doing-stuff>

The Transition Handbook

Rob Hopkins

<https://www.principle5.coop/books/the-transition-handbook-from-oil-dependency-to-local-resilience>

This Changes Everything

Naomi Klein

<https://www.principle5.coop/books/this-changes-everything>

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See article in the Co-operative News

<https://www.thenews.coop/115600/topic/technology/principle5-launches-software-for-developing-co-ops-diagrams/>

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