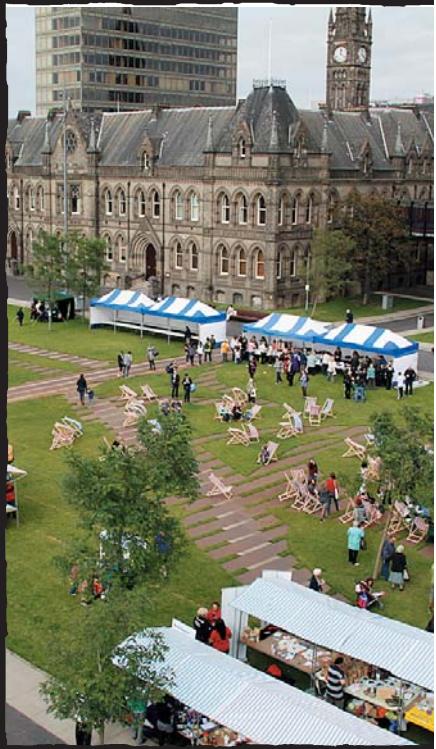


Middlesbrough Community One Planet Living Awards 2013



Are you a community organisation, business, school, college or volunteer that has been involved in an environmental project in the last year?

Then why not apply for an Award?



application form

Name of Group/Volunteer:

Details of Contact:

Name:

Address:

Post Code:

Daytime Telephone Number:

Email:

Category under which application is made:

Most relevant One Planet Living Principle:

Brief details including why the project/person is being nominated:

Signature

Date

Thank You for entering the awards and for your commitment to improving the environment of Middlesbrough

One Planet Living in Middlesbrough

What is One Planet Living?

One Planet Living is a global initiative based on 10 principles, which define what sustainability means in an easy to understand way. The model was developed by international charity BioRegional.

The One Planet Living concept is based on acknowledging that the world's resources are limited. At present the UK population is using resources as though society had three planets to support it. For the long-term maintenance of reasonable living conditions, our demands must be reduced to one planet, but the challenge is to do this by improving environmental conditions and local well-being in an affordable way.

Why hold the One Planet Living Awards?

Middlesbrough Council has supported the development of One Planet Living in Middlesbrough and has produced a One Planet Living Action Plan. It includes information on how the Council and some of its partners will address the challenges of One Planet Living in the coming years. The Council is one of three local authorities in the UK to be endorsed by BioRegional.

MEC has also developed a One Planet Community Framework, describing actions local organisations and individuals can take to live a more sustainable lifestyle.

There is already much taking place in our local community that is contributing to the achievement of One Planet Living in Middlesbrough. This includes work being undertaken by volunteers and community groups, schools and businesses. The Awards will celebrate this achievement and help demonstrate to others how they can make a difference and contribute to making Middlesbrough a One Planet Town.

Please return to:

Community One Planet Living Awards 2013,
Middlesbrough Environment City
1 North Road, Middlesbrough, TS2 1DE
by 5pm on Friday 20th September 2013.

the principles...

The ten principles of One Planet Living are a framework to help us enjoy a high quality of life within a fair share of the earth's resources:

1. zero carbon

Making buildings more energy efficient and delivering all energy with renewable technologies.

2. zero waste

Reducing waste, reusing where possible, and ultimately sending zero waste to landfill.

3. sustainable transport

Encouraging low carbon modes of transport to reduce emissions and reducing the need to travel.

4. sustainable materials

Using sustainable healthy products with low embodied energy sourced locally, made from renewable or waste resources.

5. local and sustainable food

Choosing low impact, local, seasonal and organic diets and reducing food waste.

6. sustainable water

Using water more efficiently in buildings and in the products we buy; tackling local flooding and water course pollution.

7. land use and wildlife

Protecting and restoring biodiversity and natural habitats through appropriate land use and integration into the built environment.

8. culture and heritage

Reviving local identity and wisdom; supporting and participating in the arts.

9. equality and local economy

Creating bioregional economies, that support fair employment, inclusive communities and international fair trade.

10. health and happiness

Encouraging active, sociable, meaningful lives to promote good health and well-being.

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Who can apply for an Award?

The Awards are open to community, voluntary, education and business organisations and will be judged in the following categories:

- Community Environment Project;
- Community Health Project;
- School Grounds Improvement;
- Sustainable School Project;
- Young Peoples' Project;
- Green Enterprise (a business based on a green idea or a business improving its environmental performance);
- Promoting Fairtrade;
- Individual Volunteer.

Groups may nominate themselves. Volunteers should be nominated by somebody else. Give Middlesbrough Environment City a call if you can't decide on the most appropriate category.

What are the criteria for the Awards?

- Projects must be in Middlesbrough;
- Although they do not need to be complete, they must have happened at least in part during 2013;
- Projects must contribute to one of the ten principles of One Planet Living.

How do we apply for an Award?

Please complete the form attached to this leaflet. You may also like to send some photographs or other information about your project. You need to specify a category and also say which of the One Planet Living principles is most relevant to your project. All applications must reach Middlesbrough Environment City by 5pm on Friday 20th September 2013.

What happens after we have applied?

All of the projects will be assessed, with up to four shortlisted in each category. Shortlisted projects will be visited by a judge who will make the final recommendation on the category winner.

All shortlisted projects will be invited to an Awards Ceremony, where the category winners will be announced. Winners will receive a certificate and £100 towards their project. The other shortlisted projects will receive a certificate. Owing to space restrictions, only short-listed projects will be able to attend the Awards Ceremony.

This year's Award Ceremony will be held at Middlesbrough Town Hall on Tuesday 22nd October 2013 from 4.30 - 7.00pm.

For further information, please contact Middlesbrough Environment City on (01642) 243183.