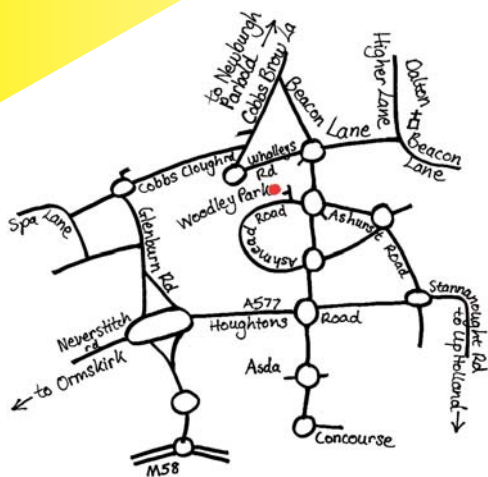


Solving the Emerging Energy Crisis What you can do

An inspirational talk by renowned environmentalist **PAUL MOBBS**, author of the ground-breaking book *Energy Beyond Oil*

Sunday 14 September, 7.40 pm

Woodley Park Centre,
Woodley Park Road,
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Paul will address the issue of the increasing cost of fuel, food and energy

All visitors to the talk can collect a voucher for a free bottle of organic wine with their first order from The Farmshed – local suppliers of organic produce

Why do we need to use less energy?

Fossil fuels are in decline. Peak Oil is when the volume of oil we can extract has reached its peak and begins to reduce. The remaining oil is more difficult and expensive to obtain. World Peak Oil has probably already happened. Peak Gas is expected in around 2020. Demand for energy is increasing – especially in the developing world. Renewable energy cannot possibly replace the quantities we use of oil, coal and gas.

Why will energy prices continue to rise?

As the level of oil or gas production goes down, unless consumption falls, prices will continue to rise.

How are high food and energy prices connected?

Pesticides are made using oil. Nitrogen fertilisers are made using natural gas. Long supply lines, combined with globalised food transportation, high levels of processing and packaging are the reasons why the main use of energy is in food production. When oil and gas prices go up, food prices tend to follow.

What can we do?

Reduce energy use and save money by growing our own food in a garden or allotment, without the use of pesticides and fertilisers. Go organic and 'think local'.

Our future

Cutting back on energy use may mean fewer ready meals and cheap flights, but it does not mean Cinderella-style poverty.



Paul will explain more about the changes in lifestyle needed to create a naturally abundant, sustainable local economy involving:

- less pollution
- less waste

- less plastic
- more natural materials
- more renewable energy
- better public transport

A follow-on to Paul's talk is a film showing:

Power of Community

How Cuba survived an oil crisis through mass growing of organic vegetables in gardens, on rooftops, and city farms.

21 September, 7.30 pm
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- film shows and talks on environmental issues
- workshops on how to grow organic veg, composting, etc.

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