

GREEN AND
ETHICAL

checklist

Commerce with a conscience – these environmentally-balanced businesses are run with strong principles, aiming to be good for the soul and the planet too

Help to tackle climate change and make a return



IT IS TIME FOR a new type of investment that benefits both you and the planet. Egni Co-op's share offer is open for investment and we have already raised over £650k of our £750k target. They have secured the Feed-in Tariff (FIT) subsidy for rooftop solar panels on over 250 sites in Wales and is currently installing panels to generate a further 5,000kW. Egni Co-op's sites include businesses, community centres and universities; golf, football and rugby clubs; a brewery; leisure centres; and schools. This will save the sites £8m over the next 30 years and prevent 35,000 tonnes of carbon emissions. The team behind this share offer have already successfully delivered 179kW of rooftop solar on seven sites during Egni Co-op's first share offer in 2014 (www.egni.coop). Also developed was Awel Co-op (www.awel.coop), raising over



£3m from community shares, and built a 4.7MW community wind farm which was commissioned in January 2017. Together with their linked charity, Awel Aman Tawe, these initiatives have won multiple awards (see the share offer on their website for details or phone up for a hard copy). Research shows that 42% of British adults with investments want to "make money and make a difference", with over one in three wanting at least a quarter of their investments to include green and ethical considerations. But it's about more than just income – it's also a way to help our community tackle global issues. Egni Co-op are inviting anyone across the UK over the age of 16 to invest from as little as £50 with a predicted 4% return on investment.

Visit egni.coop or call 01639 830870 if you have any questions.

Egni is a bona fide cooperative registered with the Financial Conduct Authority No. 32008R. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. The value of investments can go down as well as up.



Power your home from the sun, at night

BE PART OF THE FUTURE of energy by generating your own solar energy and storing it for when you need it. Moixa Smart Battery has helped over 1000 customers lower their energy bills, reduce carbon emissions and unlock the full potential of solar energy. With a Smart Battery you can store the energy you generate from solar during the day to give you access to clean, free energy at night.



You can also join our GridShare Membership, giving access to a free extended warranty for the membership duration and to earn additional income.

GridShare is Moixa's way of using spare battery capacity to support a renewable energy powered future and trade spare electricity with the grid.

- Key Benefits**
- Cut your energy bills
 - Reduce your carbon footprint
 - Support the future of renewable energy

No solar panels? Buy a Moixa battery and solar package! Act fast though, time is running out to make savings with the 20-year government Feed-in Tariff payments and installation slots are getting reserved fast.



Quote **CHECKLIST** for a £250 discount at moixa.com. Email enquiries@moixa.com or call 0161 883 2374.

The eco-friendly laundry solution

THE ECOEGG LAUNDRY EGG is an environmentally friendly replacement for laundry detergent and fabric conditioner. It cleans and softens clothes without the use of harsh chemicals thanks to two types of mineral pellets that ionise the water and naturally lift away dirt without fading colours or leaving residue on clothing. Perfect for even the most delicate of skins, the ecoegg Laundry Egg is hypoallergenic and holds Allergy UK's 'Allergy Friendly Product' award. Available in Fresh Linen, Spring Blossom and



Fragrance Free, the Laundry Egg is refillable, allowing you to say goodbye to single-use plastic detergent and softener bottles. In fact, if you normally put one wash on a day, you will save around 40* bottles of detergent and softener each year! You'll also be helping to save tonnes of harsh chemicals from going down our drains and polluting our water systems each year.

Shop at ecoegg.com or call 01622 535200 to find out more.



Exacompta – the eco-friendly stationery company

FOR OVER 40 YEARS, Exacompta has been integrating ecology and sustainable development into its corporate strategy. Our Forever® range of filing and desktop accessories is the best example of the group's environmental commitment, as the entire range is made from Blue Angel certified paper and plastic – some 60% of their products are from certified materials.



To know more about our Forever® range and environment strategies visit exacompta.com/eco



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The London-based company cleaning up the coffee industry

WITH ALMOST 75% OF US now claiming to be passionate about sustainable living*, a drive already well underway in the takeaway coffee market, with more and more of us ditching the disposables for the reusables. But what's happening on the supermarket shelves? Well, one retail coffee company has been causing quite the stir.

Percol Coffee has achieved a world's first with the launch of plastic-free packaging across its range of ground and beans – a pioneering move to combat the 100 million non-recyclable plastic packs used in the industry each year.

Made from renewable resources such as plant fibres and eucalyptus wood pulp, the Percol packs are also fully home-compostable, meaning you can chuck them straight in with your food scraps.

If you're a coffee lover all about the beans, fear not – Percol's new range doesn't skimp on flavour. In fact, it's 100% organic, Fairtrade certified, and made from single-origin Arabica beans.



Percol spent decades investing in the farmers who grow their delicious coffee, generation after generation. Percol Coffee's next mission? To be the most sustainable coffee company. Plastic-free. Carbon-neutral. Fairtrade-certified. Here's to positive drinking.



This is a cuppa that does good and tastes good too. So are you ready to take the plunge? Visit percol.co.uk

*Research commissioned by Percol and conducted by Censuswide, with 2,024 general respondents between 26/10/2018 and 29/10/2018.

The boiler with ultra-energy-efficiency built-in

AS THE COLDER WINTER MONTHS approach, your boiler will become one of the hardest working appliances in your home. But is it also working hard at keeping harmful emissions low too? If it's an Intergas boiler then the answer is 'yes'. You may not be familiar with this Dutch manufacturer, but it's a brand leader in the Netherlands, and punches way above its weight. First, over 20 years ago Intergas created the prototype for a game-changing boiler with design engineering that was simple, yet so advanced that today it remains at the cutting edge of boiler technology. Second, there are only four moving parts in the entire boiler and, with fewer parts, there's less to go wrong. Third, the robust aluminium and copper heat exchanger (the heart of every boiler) is as reliable as they come, so won't let you down. Fourth, it's the only boiler in the UK which condenses all of the time in both heating and hot



water modes, which keeps energy bills low. And fifth, the newest boilers from Intergas, the Xtrema and the Xclusive, only emit between 17.06-20.33 mg/kWh of nitrogen oxides (NOx), making them the lowest-NOx domestic boilers in the world. (NOx is a pollutant created when fossil fuels are burned, and prolonged exposure can irritate the airways; children and the elderly are at greatest risk.)

If you're looking for an economical boiler that will look after you, your family and the environment, it's time to go Dutch; it's time to call 01384 389064 or email marketing@intergasheating.co.uk



Woolcool insulated packaging - flying the flag for natural materials

WITH THE WORLD CRYING OUT for sustainable alternatives to man-made packaging materials, the winning of a 2018 Queen's Award for Enterprise in Innovation by Staffordshire company Woolcool demonstrates the real credibility of using a natural, renewable packaging resource: sheep's wool. Conceived by founder and CEO Angela Morris in 2001, Woolcool is superior insulated packaging for transporting temperature-sensitive goods for the food and pharmaceutical sectors.

Created by nature, driven by science

The company's philosophy is based around the concept of Woolcool being 'created by nature, driven by science'. As a result, more than £1m has been invested in research and development – supported by three rounds of Government funding via Innovate UK.

Not only is wool renewable and sustainable, it is also a naturally superior insulator. Available in abundance as a by-product of rearing sheep, wool insulation is totally compostable and biodegradable, releasing valuable nitrates back into the soil. Independent tests show that Woolcool outperforms conventional insulated packaging on every level.



From farmer to pharma In the last five years Woolcool has grown significantly, in line with the growth of the online food sector, supplying pioneering customers Abel & Cole, Fortnum & Mason and more recently Unilever Foods and John Lewis. Woolcool is now expanding into the global pharmaceutical sector, providing patented, sustainable packaging.

Helping reduce waste Thousands of tonnes of non-biodegradable plastic packaging waste have been saved from landfill by UK customers switching to Woolcool. In 2018 alone, Woolcool has prevented the equivalent of 75 Olympic-sized swimming pools full of polystyrene going to landfill.

Visit woolcool.com, call 01785 262030 or email sales@woolcool.com



Reduce food waste in the kitchen with perfectly pre-portioned meal kits

THE UK'S LEADING MEAL KIT COMPANY, HelloFresh, is focused on reducing food waste by delivering the exact pre-portioned ingredients needed to cook chef-inspired recipes from scratch at home. Food waste is not only reduced in households but also in the supply chain by ordering accurate amounts of produce each week for customers' recipes. The little food surplus at HelloFresh's

packing facility is given to those in need, through partnerships with food charities like The Felix Project. In addition, buying direct from local suppliers and delivering to customers



cuts out wholesalers and supermarkets and reduces carbon emissions, making meal kits like HelloFresh more environmentally friendly when every step in the process – from farm to landfill –

Beauty, hair and skincare naturally

ONE OF THE ORIGINAL PIONEERS in natural beauty, hair and skincare products, Faith in Nature has been creating recipes from naturally derived sources for over 40 years, and all from humble beginnings at the kitchen sink.

Faith in Nature doesn't use animal ingredients in any of our products, making them suitable for vegetarians and vegans.

Our products are made using the highest quality, naturally derived, cruelty-free ingredients, with 100% natural fragrance – and they work beautifully.

Being sustainable is in our Faith in Nature brand DNA and informs everything that we do – from the formulations and ingredients we use, to our manufacturing techniques and the packaging materials as well. All our formulations are biodegradable to ensure that they are gentle on the planet, minimising the impact they have on the environment and helping to protect aquatic wildlife.

Plastic is a major concern in today's plastic-



reliant world, and rightly so – which is why all of our bottles are made from 100% recycled plastic (and have been since 1999!). But not only are they recycled – they're also recyclable. For those consumers who are keen to reduce their plastic consumption, we also have a 5-litre range, whereby the product can be decanted into our 400ml bottles to be reused over and over again.

So there you have it, natural products that really don't have to cost the earth, and are great for you and the environment too. Follow @faithinnature_uk



Are we really just 12 years from climate catastrophe?

UNFORTUNATELY, THAT'S THE BRUISING TRUTH about climate change. The UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) has said definitively that we now only have a dozen years to make a difference – a dozen years to make the changes needed to prevent climate change from taking an irrevocable grip on our planet and the life on it.

From an individual point of view, our own part of the solution is entirely straightforward: it's about changing how we heat our homes, how we get around, and what we eat. Energy, transport, and food – between them, those three areas account for around 80% of our personal carbon emissions.

That's why Ecotricity focuses on the frontiers of those three areas. As an individual, changing your energy supply is pretty much the simplest



change you can make. Not everyone can make the jump to buy an electric car yet – though you can think more closely about how you travel and when you travel. Not everyone can immediately cut meat out of their diets – though reducing the amount you do eat is certainly a great first step.

Switching to a green energy supplier, however, takes only a few minutes. And in just a year, you could prevent over a tonne of CO2 from entering the atmosphere – that's the equivalent of taking a car off the road for 5,000 miles. It would take over 500 trees one year to absorb that much CO2. We need your help to make the next 12 years count.



If you switch to Ecotricity for your energy, you'll receive a FREE £50* (*£25 per fuel) voucher to spend with John Lewis. Just quote **CHECKLIST** when you join at ecotricity.co.uk



is taken into consideration. HelloFresh is a rolling weekly meal kit delivery service with no minimum term or commitment. You choose what goes in your box and when you want it and we'll deliver all the fresh ingredients to your door.

To find out more about HelloFresh's approach to sustainability, visit hellofresh.co.uk/about/sustainability

