

Sustainable Youlgrave



Sustainable

sus·tain·a·ble (sə stáynəb'l) *adj* Causing little or no damage to the environment and therefore able to continue for a long time

Youlgrave

A village in Derbyshire

*“Achieving sustainability through innovation,
education and empowerment.”*

Sustainable Youlgrave is a new community initiative by and for the people of Youlgrave, Middleton-by-Youlgrave, Alport and Harthill. We aim to reduce our impact on the environment both locally and globally through a range of innovative energy projects. Among the possibilities are:

- A process whereby methane gas is ‘harvested’ from farmyard manure to generate electricity
- solar panels on house roofs and farm buildings
- small-scale wind turbines suitable for houses and farms
- harnessing the power of local streams and rivers

If these ideas can be proven, we would seek to establish a locally-controlled company. Money raised through the sale of shares (with priority for local people) would then be invested in the generation projects. A proportion of the profits would be used to fund local energy conservation and educational initiatives, such as:

- helping those who can least afford to insulate their homes
- encouraging community-wide recycling
- establishing a village composting facility

*“It’s about our local community taking
control of its own future.”*

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