

DEVON EARTH AND FAITH NETWORK (DEFAN)

“Inspiration for Action”

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EARTH MATTERS, FAITH MATTERS 2

Around 40 of us gathered at Exeter Mosque on 10th April to share in networking and listening to Muslim environmentalist Dr. Husna Ahmad and from Tony Reese from Exeter Synagogue. The highlight was the planting of a cherry tree as a gift to the local Islamic Community. The main outcomes of the day were pledges to walk more and eat less meat. Also a possible ‘*Dining with Dignity*’ meal and a Toilet Twinning project for the Mosque.

The event was well covered in the Express and Echo. For a write up please see: www.dcgga.org.uk or www.devonfaiths.org.uk or [Facebook page](#)

Martyn Goss showed two short videos presenting following-up to the Paris Climate Summit on Pilgrimage [click here](#) (5 minutes) and Transition [here](#) (16 minutes).

DARTMOOR PILGRIMAGE

Plans are progressing to organise a walking pilgrimage on Dartmoor for Sunday 17th July. Richard Dealler is planning a circular route from Throwleigh of about 6-7 miles, mainly flat and taking about 4-5 hours. We would hope to encourage car-sharing from Exeter, Plymouth, North Devon, etc. Maybe from the Mosque, Hindu Community and others? It will be important to know numbers in advance, so if this is of interest could you please let us know asap? joanie@exeter.anglican.org

CORE GROUP

At the moment there is a small planning group for DEFAN – Hamzah, Martyn, Richard and Sandhya but we would like one or two others to join us. Please let us know if you can. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 2nd June 7.15pm at the Exeter Phoenix in Gandy Street.

AUTUMN CONFERENCE

We would like to arrange a third conference in North Devon this Autumn but we will need people who live there to help organise this. If you are interested please let Martyn know at the address below.

E-MAILS

This news update is being circulated by email to all those who have attended our two events and whose address we have. We propose in future to circulate information as an open group so we can contact others and network. If you would prefer to be removed from this or to receive blind copies, or know of others who would like to be added to the mailing please tell us! Thank you.



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