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## NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2024

## **NEWS FROM LCAG**



### **LGAG Conference 2024**

22 October 2024 1pm – 7pm (EC2R 8JB)

Early bird ticket price £70 (until 09/09/2024)

Standard ticket price £90

Tickets: www.tickettailor.com/events/lcag/1304918

The Rt Hon the Lord Mayor, Alderman Professor Michael Mainelli will throw down the opening challenge before delegates:

- Explore the issues & risks that we face;
- Consider whether planned innovative solutions will be effective;
- Debate how we need to adapt to the impacts of climate change;
- Discuss building resilience around waste; conserving water; generating affordable green energy; maintaining biodiversity; & ensuring future green skills;
- Hear from London school students about their insights & hopes;
- Network with attendess over buffet lunch, drinks & canapes.

This Conference is open to all & we welcome Livery Companies, City businesses, SMEs, faith communities & interested individuals.

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**MEMBERSHIP**: Meet the newest LCAG members



# CONVENOR'S COLUMN

Alderman Alison Gowman

The momentum of the Livery Climate Action Group continues to build with another 4 Livery Companies having joined the Group & a couple more on the brink. The number of Livery Climate Action Plans published on our website has grown too & we have been busy building many links & engaging in numerous City events.

June 4 saw the City host the 3rd Net Zero Delivery Summit in Mansion House. The last week of June is branded London Climate Action Week & this year rivalled the similar New York event for both purpose & glitz. It showed how businesses & civil society are determined to turn talk into action. Much focussed debate was COP29 when countries will be brought to account on how they have met their pledges towards net zero.

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## **FUTURE EVENTS**

## **BUILDING A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN**

Speakers: LCAG Team

17 July / 10 & 20 October / 17 December 2024

5pm – 6pm (online)

Open to all SPOCs, join the LCAG team for this introductory session on what is involved in building a climate action plan. If you haven't yet started or an early on in your journey this session will help you understand what is involved and hear about best practice.

Email: info@liverycag.org.uk to register.

#### **VISIT TO 41 LOTHBURY**

Site visit 29 July 2024 10am – 12pm (EC2R 7HB)

LCAG is invited to view 41 Lothbury by Wates who are refurbishing & extending this Grade II listed building in the heart of the City. The building is targeting BREAAM Excellent with material re-use & circular economy central to the work. PPE is required & numbers limited

Email Alison Gowman: Alison.gowman@cityoflondon.gov.uk

# ACCELERATING THE TRANSITION TO A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Water Conservators City Environment Debate 1 October 2024 4.30pm – 7pm (W1T 4BJ)

This debate on UN SDG 12: Responsible Consumption & Production, will focus on humankind's unsustainable consumption of material resources. Key speakers will present prior to the debate, followed by networking & refreshments. Chatham House Rules. Free by invite only.

For questions & invite, email Allan Barton: allangbarton@outlook.com

## **ALL SPOC MEETINGS:**

7 October 2024 5pm - 6pm (ONLINE) Join the meeting here.

18 November 2024 5pm - 6pm (ONLINE) Join the meeting here.

# CONVENOR'S COLUMN CONT...

The week comprised a whole host of summits, seminars & discussions across the capital where many Livery members attended & took part.

LCAG is working with many partners across the Livery as well as being consulted by the Lord Mayor, City Corporation & other external organisations. We look forward to sharing ideas & promoting what Livery Companies are doing.

Watch out for ideas emerging around promoting the circular economy (working holistically on recycling & re-manufacturing) as well as the outcome of an amazing summit led by the Insurers Livery on how to work across professions to ensure insurance is ready to deliver on innovation & infrastructure.

Most importantly please book your place for our annual Conference on Tuesday 22 October 2024 at Merchant Taylors' Hall on the topic "Planning for a Resilient Future". See you there!

To find out more or get involved email <a href="mailto:info@liverycag.org.uk">info@liverycag.org.uk</a>

## **NEWS FROM ELSEWHERE**



# LCAG FOUNDER NAMED IN KINGS BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Alderman, Alison Gowman has been named in the King's birthday honours list with a CBE for her outstanding public & voluntary services & continued commitment to sustainability & climate action.

Alison said "This is a great honour...my work is a collaborative effort, where we all need to do as much as we can. I will keep up that commitment".

Read more here.



# RESTORING OUR PEATLANDS

Restoring peatlands isn't just an environmental duty; it's an economic imperative. With over 80% of UK peatlands in a degraded state, restoration is crucial for climate repair, biodiversity preservation, water quality improvement and flood prevention.

To find out how to seize the opportunity to safeguard our peatlands as part of your environmental strategy read more <a href="here">here</a>.



# MITIGATING THE RISK OF GREENWASHING

In our global quest for true environmental sustainability, transparency & accountability in our environmental claims are not just beneficial; they are essential. With up to 40% of green claims made online in 2021 being potentially misleading we all need to enhance our collective sustainability efforts responsibly.

Read practical insights & strategies from Zacc Tullett, from the <u>Anti-Greenwash Charter</u> & Coachmaker here.



# CIRCULAR ECONOMY IN PROPERTY

At an event on the circular economy within real estate and construction, hosted by the Property Association, examples materials being passported to other buildings; cultural issues such as overdesigning; economic barriers to change; & the impact of alterations office occupancy to were discussed.

Read more here.

## **MEMBERSHIP & ENGAGEMENT**







WC OF BAKERS



WC OF LORINERS



FOUNDERS COMPANY

We are delighted to welcome four new members to LCAG bringing our total membership to 104.

Our latest addition to our library of 12 Climate-Action Plans is the Mercers' Environmental Action Plan.

We have had two excellent online seminars recently that are now on the <u>LCAG YouTube</u> Channel for those who were unlucky enough to miss them:

Delivering Net Zero and Beyond for Buildings Estates and Archetypes

Modern Farming, Food and Health

Gordon Masterton, Recruitment & Engagement

### **NEWS FROM YOU...**

LCAG is a peer support network which aims to support Livery organisations within their environmental work. If you are running a sustainability event that could benefit the network or have related information that you would like to share please email us at <a href="mailto:info@liverycag.org.uk">info@liverycag.org.uk</a>. We are always on the lookout for content for the LCAG website and future newsletters so please do get in touch. If you're unsure how to write up your story, see our blog-writing guidelines <a href="mailto:here">here</a>. The deadline for inclusion in the Autumn Newsletter is 20 September 2024.

Helen Dobson, Editor

### **ABOUT LCAG**

The Livery Climate Action Group was formed in 2021 to assist City of London Livery Companies & Guilds to manage their impact on Climate Change & the environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions & making responsible use of resources. Contact info@liverycag.org.uk for details on how to join.







