

# **Test Valley Energy Initiative**

# Test Valley Energy Initiative

The TVEI was established in 2008 as a voluntary group of parish representatives from villages along the River Test between Andover and Romsey. The organisation is fully supported by the Parish Councils of

- Abbots Ann
- Chilbolton
- Broughton
- Goodworth Clatford
- Houghton & Bossington
- Longstock
- Stockbridge
- Wherwell
- Upper Clatford
- Anna Valley

TVEI's objectives are to identify and facilitate actions to increase environmental, social and economic resilience, and to reduce the impacts of climate change and high energy costs across the community.

# Activity Streams

- Energy saving and renewable energy schemes
  - Public meetings – Upper Clatford (11/08), Longstock (5/09), total attendance c. 150
  - Domestic renewables – Case studies being developed
  - Community renewables – Paper on grants & support options
  - Training – Green communities training day
- Village based Greening campaigns
  - Seen as a key way of generating interest and encouraging participation
- Climate change teaching in local schools
  - Clatford Primary, Farleigh done last term – many more to go
- Allotments – expanding existing and helping identify new allotment opportunities
- TVEI renewables – area wide survey of generation options – low priority
- Outreach and extension
  - linking with other transition town and greening campaigns, Test Valley Borough Council initiatives, Hampshire County Council and local MPs