

Greenprint Forum Event – Plastic Action – 26.9.2018

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Following up the Year of Plastics for Greenprint Forum, another successful event was hosted at Riverside, Lowestoft with over 25 attendees, guest speakers and stalls from environmental organisations.

The evening covered the Plastics Industry in East Anglia by Deborah Wargate followed by CEFAS sharing recent research surrounding plastics in the ocean and closing with local action taken by Rubbish Walks. The evening consisted of constant action focussed discussion between attendees with specific emphasis on micro-plastics, finding solutions, the fishing industry and related waste.

With special thanks to Get Composting, CEFAS, Suffolk Wildlife Trust, Anglian Water, Broads Community, Suffolk Coasts and Heaths for setting up stalls at the event and inspiring attendees.

We are proud to announce that we received 2 sign-ups for Plastic Action Champions from this event, deeming yet another successful step towards combating our 2030 goal of living in a pollution free environment. In addition, it was inspiring to hear that M&H Plastics, Beccles have organised a beach clean on the 21st October in Pakefield to fight back and display their environmental awareness of the afterlife of plastics.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Plastic Action Champion, contact greenissues@eastsoffolk.gov.uk

Remember, you can make a difference by giving 2 minutes of your time when walking at the beach or countryside collecting litter and disposing of it accordingly. Avoid picking up sharps e.g. glass, needles and dog mess. If possible, we advise you wear gloves or sanitise your hands as soon as possible.

