

## Green Activities 2023

Interest in and concern for the environment continued to be a focal point at All Saints through 2023. Regular Green Watch talks were held, and our thanks go to Fiona Earle who was instrumental in arranging them, Wendell Newbold for the arresting publicity, Richard Toyn for organising the projection and the willing team of helpers who provided and organised the teas, coffees and lunches for everyone. The bakers among us provided delicious cakes for the Cake Sales and Mary and Martin Penny created a special atmosphere with their piano accompaniments. Many, many thanks to all of these loyal supporters.

The talks covered a wide variety of topics, all relevant to our lives in Hertford. The monthly calendar was as follows:

January - Insulation with Andrew Goodman

February - Amphibians, Julie Battersby and Kim

March - Water Voles, Josh Kalms

May - Butterflies and Moths, Andrew Wood

June and July remained clear for weddings

September - Dragonflies and Damselflies, Roy Woodward

October - Waste Aware - David Birley WasteAware Co-ordinator, Hertfordshire Waste Partnership

As an additional point of interest, Gillian Harman and Diane Warburton provided beautiful artwork on the theme of *The Wind in the Willows.*, promoted by The Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust. Shirley Glover made blank cards using these paintings and drawings. Some are still available for purchase.

We look forward to renewed activity in the latter months of 2024.

Nerine Chalmers