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THE FDA GREEN NETWORK

FDA ADC Fringe Session
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- What the **Green Network** is
- What the **Green Network** has done so far
- What you would like the **Green Network** to do next
- Forward look

Today's fringe session

The Green Network has been created as a space for discussion of green issues, including:

- the environment and climate change
- sustainability
- biodiversity

The Green Network will:

- educate individuals (within the network and outside) on how they can make a difference
- drive organisational and societal change
- persuade employers to act responsibly and sustainably

The Green Network will achieve this by:

- sharing information, resources and best practice
- providing networking between members
- encouraging members to take an active role in their local branches and sections

The Green
Network vision
and principles

What the **Green Network** has done (so far)

- Zoom meetings to get us going
- Attracted members from a wide range of employers and regions
- Contributed to the climate emergency motion submitted to ADC 2021 by DWP – **passed unopposed**
- Added the Network to the FDA website and article included in Public Service Magazine
- Two members ran a Switch-off Session on composting (29 April)
- Discussions started to investigate green offers for FDA Portfolio

Splitting into breakout rooms, please discuss with each other what sort of things you would like the **Green Network to do. Areas to think about:**

- How could we facilitate networking and linking opportunities between members/departments?
- What resources do you need to have conversations on these issues within workplaces?
- How can we make the most of the expertise of our members?
- What do we want to learn about? Electric/hybrid transport, green energy for home/office, etc.
- How could we use FDA Portfolio/introduce green benefits?
- What webinars could we have with FDA Learn?
- Do we want events with speakers?
- What other Switch-off Sessions would be helpful?
- How could we publicise what the FDA and its members are doing?

What you
would like the
**Green
Network** to do
next?

25 minutes

Events/dates for the diary

- Next **Green Network** meeting: Wednesday 26 May, 15:00-16:00, Zoom
- World Environment Day: Saturday 5 June, theme of restoring and rewilding nature
- Switch-off Session on Electric Vehicles: July
- COP26: November. This is an international summit under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The United Kingdom will host the meeting, taking place in Glasgow.

Other issues to look out for!

- Green Recovery (from pandemic) and Just Transition (ensuring workers in carbon intensive industry get appropriate support)
- Future ways of working, including location changes and home working

Forward Look

Questions, links and closing remarks

- **Green Network** page on FDA website (to send to your friends!): <https://www.fda.org.uk/home/Getinvolved/FDA-networks/Green-Network.aspx>
- Civil Service Environment Network: www.civilserviceenvironmentnetwork.org
- Whitehall and Industry Group (WIG) events – note your employer needs to be a member to participate: <https://www.wig.co.uk/networking-events/networks/sustainability-network.html>
- COP26 Coalition: <https://cop26coalition.org/>

THANK YOU
FOR COMING!
