

# About Green-History.uk

#### A website and more

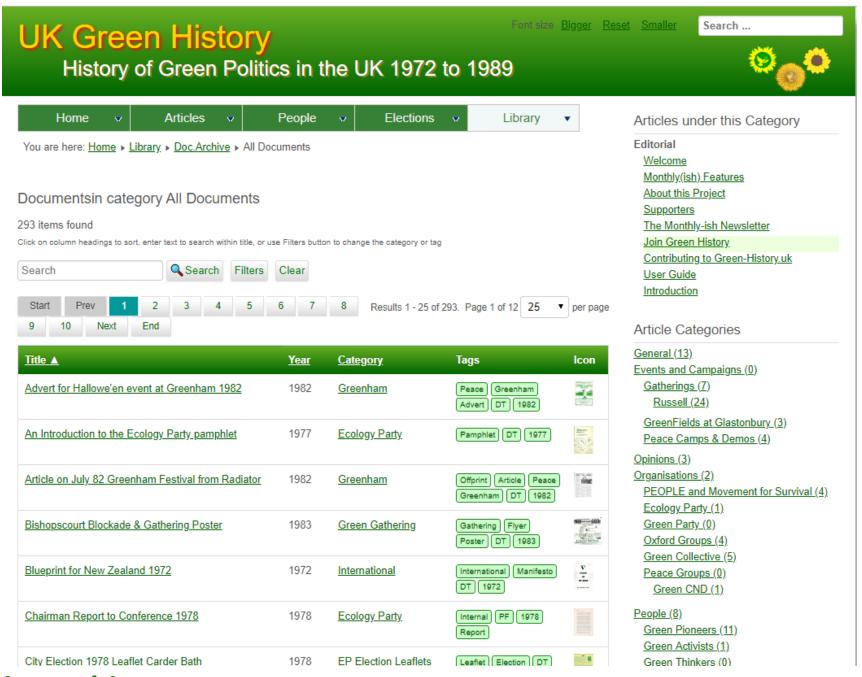
Firstly, understand that we are NOT a paper archive.

We have neither the skills nor the resources to store and archive physical material – that is a specialised area and ultimately we recommend you hand your old papers over to a proper archive. We can offer advice on this.

BUT be aware that once your papers are in an archive they are inherently difficult to access.

So PLEASE let us make a digital copy before you hand stuff over.

Our mission is to make historic materials about the development of the green movement in the UK freely available online as a resource for anyone to use.



This is our history.

As Greens we need to know it, to tell it, to learn from it and to use it.

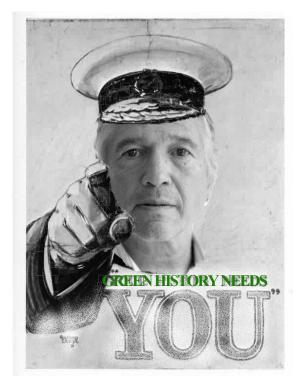


## Help Us!

### We need you.

Over the past year we have seen growing interest and enthusiasm for what we are doing with the project.

But we can't do it all alone – it takes time and personal energy to find material, scan, prepare and post it, write and publish commentaries on it – and we are aware that we have barely scratched the surface of what needs to be done.



#### Money

There are many many ways you could help. At the most basic level you can simply donate some cash to help

keep things going – already we have a backlog of material waiting to scan – it would be good to simply pay someone a basic wage for a month to do it, maybe a summer job for an interested student...

#### **Memories and Materials**

But we need people who were there in the 1970s and 1980s (and soon into the 1990s) to come forward and share their materials, their memories and to write down their stories – they are fascinating and need to be told.

#### Writing

Even if you weren't there we need people to use the materials and write commentaries on them and narratives of the events. It may involve research, or it may just be expressing your own opinion about the meaning of what happened in the past.

#### Wreading

We are only human and we make misteaks – do you have an eye for a typo, can you take something someone else has written and bash it into readable English? We need your help.



## The Future

Where you come from and where you are going to are the same place.

Time may be cyclical, but along the way there are some things we'd like to do with the project.

#### **The Thirty Year Rule**

So far we have focussed on 1972 to 1989. But time moves on, material from the 1990s is already hard to find – have you still got discs from your first wordprocessor that you can read?



Our concept for the GH project is that we will maintain a thirty year gap between the events and their appearance on the website.

Thus in 2020, we will open up to 1990 – and so on around the cycle.

#### **Education Education**

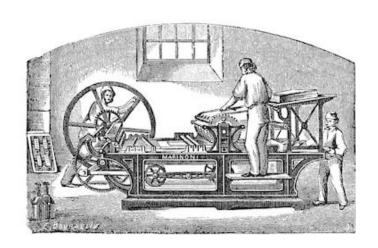


It's all very well banging stuff up on a website, but we also want to make use of it. We want to get out there and run more exhibitions, more talks, support academic research, engage students and young people. Invite us.

Maybe we will see the project morphing into an educational trust or charity – would you like to help run such a thing – talk to us.

#### **After the Internet**

Maybe you think the internet is here forever. We don't, and we do remember the time before digital. Since it now looks pretty certain that we are heading for some kind of civilizational downshifting, we wonder if a post digital era is coming.



Will we need to turn all the material back into something more long-lasting to feed future generations? Perhaps we'll end up printing it all out again. Maybe a book or two will be forthcoming...maybe you will help write it?