***“ We Care* “**

Campaign IoM

The Session is designed to:

* Help us become aware of how we as individuals (of any age) respond to the natural world.
* Help us identify what we perceive to be our own personal fears & concerns when we see this special place threatened by Climate Change.
* Encourage us to identify how we can become part of the solution rather than the problem
* Encourage us to engage in positive action.

**Discussion** : Share stories :

* What aspects of the Natural world do you like the most? *Why ?*
* How does it make you feel ? Do you care for it ?

**Subject : Climate Change :**

* What do we know about Climate Change ? ( All give one word answers only, go round the room until no one else can think of new word..... )
* How does it make you feel ? ( *all give one word answers only )*
* **Sum up:** that climate Change is linked with the increase of Greenhouse gases in the atmosphere caused by burning fossil fuels. If you’re working with a kids group make sure they understand what we mean by fossil fuels : that we sum them up with the words “ carbon emissions” & “ Global carbon footprint”
* Would your favourite thing in creation be under threat because of Climate Change ? How ? *( Discuss in twos with your neighbour. Report back)*
* What do you worry about most when people mention Climate Change ? (*See list A : “what we most care about” as a conversation starter)*

*Cut the list into words and ask them to take the ones that concerns them most.*

*What other words would you add?*

**Can we do anything about it ?**

* What do you think ? All Vote : yes / no
* In twos discuss what we could do to reduce our carbon emissions .....
* *come up with 2 ideas and share with the group*
* *Check against see List B. Ways to reduce carbon emissions.*
* *Or, cut out each option and invite them to pick up the options they are already doing.*
* *.... then pick up the options they may be able to add to what they are already doing.*
* *Introduce the “We Care” Campaign :The importance of making your voice heard because we care! Politicians see one campaign postcard representing the view of 100 people* ***who didn’t*** *contact them*

**Then go into action!!**

* *Sign a campaign postcard, fill it in and send it to your MHK or hand it to them personally.*
* Or, Fill in the colouring sheet, photograph it coloured in and send it to your MHK in support of their Climate Change action plan.
* Or be creative : turn a paper plate into what you care about most: ( see workshop resources) photograph it, and send the photo to you MHK. with the “*We Care”* postcard.
* Hang onto your paper plate , there will be a rally in support of the government’s plans for a greener Island. Bring your decorated plates and come join us to say that we really do Care for all creatures, people, places on this planet.

**And spread the word:**

* Let others know about the campaign, give out postcards for them to fill in , invite them to a paper plate decorating session and share this workshop with them!