

# Renewable Energy in Action: Rural Carbon Challenge



Under the Rural Carbon Challenge Fund, Envirolink Northwest and Energy Saving Trust are hosting two site visits to showcase existing renewable energy installations.



## Event 1

**Date:**  
Thursday 26  
May 2011

**Venue:**  
Southport Eco Visitor  
Centre  
Park and Ride  
The Esplanade  
Southport  
Merseyside  
PR8 2BZ

**Register here**

## Event 2

**Date:**  
Wednesday 20  
July 2011

**Venue:**  
Cumbria University  
Newton Rigg Campus  
Penrith  
Cumbria  
CA11 0AH

**Register here**

These visits will allow you to see the technologies working and learn about the practical issues involved in installing and running renewable energy technologies.

The visits are being staged in two separate sessions so you can book onto the most convenient to you - morning or afternoon. Each session will include refreshments and a short presentation on the technologies which include wind, solar thermal and biomass heating. There will also be an informal guided tour of the renewable energy technologies explaining the pros and cons of each.

**Please book a maximum of one session per location.**

### Event 1 - Southport Eco Visitor Centre

The Eco Visitor Centre combines environmentally friendly building materials with renewable energy technology, including a 20kW wind turbine and solar-thermal panels.

“The Southport Eco Visitor Centre is a unique gateway for travel into Southport, offering a practical demonstration of sustainability and inspiring visitors to consider the impact on the environment through stimulating information about energy, transport and tourism.”

Session One	Session Two
10:00 - 10:30 Refreshments	13:30 - 14:00 Refreshments
10:30 - 12:00 Presentation of centre and tour of technologies	14:00 - 15:30 Presentation of centre and tour of technologies

### Event 2 - Cumbria University

The Newton Rigg campus uses a biomass boiler to heat several halls of residence. The campus also showcases a wide range of sustainability measures including green buildings, water harvesting and high-tech composting. It is a great example of how these technologies can be applied to small-scale local communities.

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