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### **Back 2 Basics Event – April 10, 2019**

Held at Ironbridge Gorge, our annual B2B event showcased some of our 2018 BESST Sustainable Business Awards and had the launch of the 2019 Awards. [Read more](#)

### **Wildlife Camera Footage – DENSO**

Martin Booth from Denso has kindly supplied some short wildlife footage videos from their Eco Garden and these can be viewed on [BESST's You Tube channel](#). If you have any appropriate videos you would like to share with BESST please get in touch and we can arrange for these to be uploaded.

### **BESST Event – Wednesday 5 June 0900 start**

Our annual biodiversity event will take place this year at Coalbrookdale Arboretum which falls within our World Heritage Site. This communal area is widely used and is need of some work to be carried out such as assembling new benches, replant trees, pruning, replacing bird and bat boxes and general tidying. Lunch will be provided and if you would like to join this activity please email [BESST](#)

### **Craemer Event/Site Visit – Thursday 27 June 0900-1100**

BESST members Amber Poppitt and Phil Evans have kindly arranged for BESST members to visit their site on Thursday 27 June. They will introduce the work Craemer do and also on how they are developing their Eco-Walk with their employees which led to them receiving a BESST award for Natural Capital Enhancement. A full agenda will be available shortly but if you are interested in this opportunity please [email BESST](#).

### **Creative Clay Workshop / Social Event: 26 June 1030-1300**

To encourage reduction of single-use plastics such as disposable cups, we are holding a creative clay workshop at the China Museum in Coalport, Ironbridge. Places are limited to 10 per workshop and will followed by a light lunch. Please [email BESST](#) to attend – 1<sup>st</sup> come, 1<sup>st</sup> served ! . *The best design will be used on a re-usable travel mug for BESST members.*

### **Veolia EnviroGrant**

The Veolia EnviroGrant scheme is once again being rolled out, to help not-for-profit organisations, community groups, societies and charities improve the communities and environment. Veolia will offer grants of up to £1,000 to fund these schemes. Applications can be made [online here](#)

### **BEIS Survey**

The Industrial Energy Transformation Fund (IETF) was announced in the autumn Budget in 2018. The Fund will support businesses with high energy use, such as energy intensive industries, to transition to a low carbon future [Read more](#) [take part in the survey](#)



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### **SECR Framework**

New Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) regulations came into force on 1 April 2019, replacing the CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme (CRC EES) which is due to end in 2019. SECR will affect all UK incorporated quoted and large unquoted companies and limited liability partnerships Companies that use less than 40,000 kWh of energy in the 12 month reporting period. [Read more](#)

### **ESOS**

The final deadline for compliance with ESOS Phase 2 and making your notification is 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019. [Newsletter link -Energy Managers Assoc](#)

### **2019 BESST Awards**

We are delighted to launch our 5<sup>th</sup> Sustainable Business Awards showcasing the work BESST members continue to do. The awards will be handed out on 13 November at our annual event with keynote speaker William Morris, CEO of Café Nero UK. Download the application form [here](#)

### **Steering Group Member Comment: Barbara Taylor, IGMT**

The new season for the Ironbridge Gorge Museums (IGMT) is now well underway. Pre-season activity, especially on the landscaping within and around our 10 sites was feverish and great fun! We held a Site Presentation Day on Monday 11 March.

All sites are closed on a Monday during the winter season, so we take the opportunity to get all the behind the scenes staff together to take on tasks to improve the environment. This year we all gardened at Coalport China Museum and Jackfield Tile Museum. The weather was beautiful and we managed to achieve a great deal, it is now wonderful to see the areas that were worked on flourishing and the wellbeing benefits for staff was clear to see.

IGMT is working closely with BESST to arrange another World Environment Day at Blists Hill on 5 June and to arrange a creative clay workshop at Coalport China Museum soon. We look forward to welcoming BESST Members to our sites and the opportunity to share collaborative environmental ideas and practical help.

**BESST Events -2019 – Save The Dates ! [View our upcoming events here](#)**

*We are planning to hold several workshops throughout the year and will keep you updated. If you have any ideas/suggestions for a workshop, please get in touch with us by [emailing](#) us – we are here to help you by providing events that are useful and informative to your businesses and welcome your thoughts on these.*