

## Community in a time of Climate Change - Iona Community Young Adult Week 2019

### **What is it?**

An Iona Community style week living in community with other young adults aged 19-30 in the beautiful, remote and unique setting of Old Chapel Farm in mid-Wales, exploring what 'community' means in the current and ever-growing climate emergency. We will spend time each day contributing to the work of the community where we'll be staying as well as talking, reflecting, learning and building community together. The week is organised by the Iona Community Young Adult group, but is by no means exclusive to just this group or those connected to the Iona Community.

### **When is it?**

14th - 20th August

### **Where is it?**

We will be spending the week at Old Chapel Farm near Llanidloes in mid-Wales. Old Chapel Farm is a community living and working together all year round with a core of volunteers and it was started by the Blockley family - Fran Blockley is an associate of the Iona Community. They work on the land farming food and animals, making cheese and keeping bees, weaving and working with wood and other natural materials, restoring buildings and much more! All of the energy used comes from renewable sources.

They describe themselves as - 'Old Chapel Farm is an adventure in living. At a time when the gap between rural and urban life is ever widening and people are increasingly divorced from the very basic processes of existence - like the growth of food and creation of shelter - we aim to bridge the divide. A bridge stretching back to the places where we can rediscover the beauty of the wilderness within ourselves as well as learning some very practical skills. A bridge reaching forwards into a newer, more sustainable way of being in a rapidly changing and highly populated world.'

If you'd like to find out more about Old Chapel Farm, visit their website -

[www.thewildernesstrust.org/old-chapel-farm/](http://www.thewildernesstrust.org/old-chapel-farm/)

### **How much is it?**

The cost will be between £60 and £75 per person for the week, depending on how many times our group can cook for everybody staying at Old Chapel Farm. The cost includes accommodation (of either camping or sleeping in the old chapel) and food, we may be able to get some subsidy for travel costs to the farm.

### **How do I book?**

If you are interested in attending this week please fill in the form overleaf and email it to Annie Sharples at [annieesharples@gmail.com](mailto:annieesharples@gmail.com). If you have any questions, please contact Annie Sharples at [annieesharples@gmail.com](mailto:annieesharples@gmail.com) or Maddey Watson at [maddeykate@gmail.com](mailto:maddeykate@gmail.com)