



BYM Sustainability Gathering

Bridging the gap: hope and action

A weekend gathering organised by the
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19–21 October 2018

Hayes Conference Centre
Swanwick, Derbyshire

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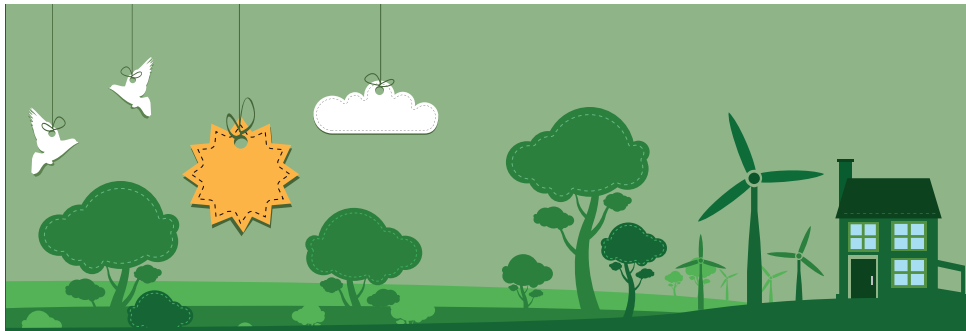
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