### **Transition Towns**

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# **TRANSITION STROUD**

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## Living Experimentally



## A brief history . . .

- Transition Towns launched in Totnes in September 2006
  - if we wait for the governments, it'll be too little, too late
  - if we act as individuals, it'll be too little
  - but if we act as communities, it might just be enough, just in time.
- Transition Stroud launched in January 2007

### Three key concepts

- Resilience: 'the property of a material to absorb energy when it is deformed elastically and then, upon unloading to have this energy recovered.'
- Ecological citizenship: intrinsic and ethical motivations towards protecting the environment
- Critique: the importance of political economy

# Psychological aspects

- 'Moving from probabilities to possibilities'
- http://www.youtube.co m/watch?v=0q90\_phxA Ok



## Locality: Walking the Land

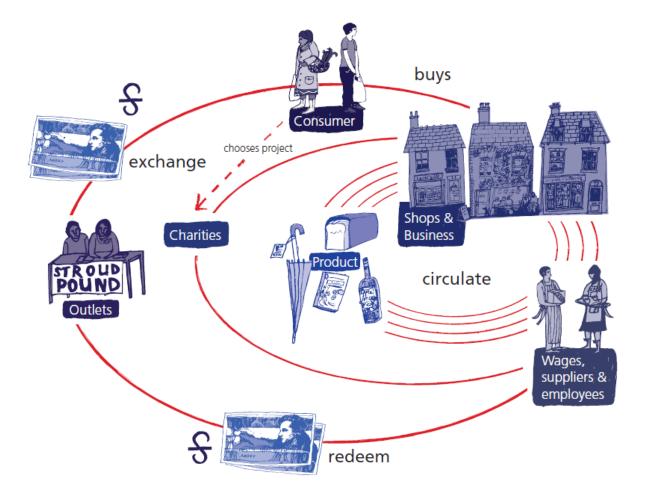


### Accountability: Stroud Community Agriculture





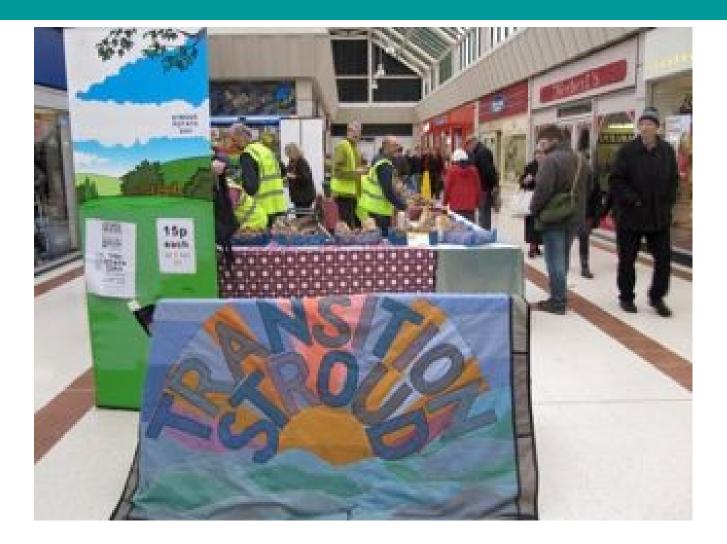
### **Community: Stroud Pound**



#### **Conviviality: Stroud Farmers' Market**



### The Seeds of a Greener Future?



#### **Open Homes and Gardens**





