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Remember last year when oil reached around \$140 per barrel? We all noticed the effects on the cost of fuel and energy bills. Although prices have gone down again now, we are likely to see them rise again as the oil that we have gets used up. Many scientists believe that we have already used up half of all the oil available in the world – we are past the peak. If you think that this will not affect you, here are a few facts: we have allowed oil to become vital to virtually everything we do. Ninety per cent of all our transportation, whether by land, air or sea, is fuelled by oil. Ninety-five per cent of all goods in shops involve the use of oil. Ninety-five per cent of all our food products require oil use. Just to farm a single cow and deliver it to market requires six barrels of oil, enough to drive a car across America. Sustainable Thornbury invites everyone to come and find out the facts about Peak Oil. Ian Page, a local expert, will be explaining the issue and we will have time to talk about what this means for us. Come along to the Peak Oil event at the Chantry, 7.30pm on Tuesday 28th April. Admission Free.

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