Electronic Press Kit for Zero Carbon Band



Zero Carbon Band (ZCB) is the world's only premiership Eco-pop band, writing unique original Indie/funk Eco-pop and they chuck in the odd up-cycled eco-worded tune for a live set. A power-pop quartet of home-grown hooks, earworms and melody - this eight legged groove machine is on a mission to help you save yourself and save the planet.

We aim to get the urgency of climate crisis action over in a fun way, with heartfelt vocals and singing about simple solutions anyone can manage at home or in their community.

The band is a regular on the local scene, appearing at local festivals such as the Carshalton Eco Fair and the Wallington Music Festival. They also play for the Summer Solstice on the Allotments, the Carshalton Frost Fair and in all seasons at the Wallington Farmers' Market.

As long as they can keep their carbon footprint down to a get to a gig they are happy to do it!

The present line up of the band originated in 2018 and they rehearse weekly in all weathers in an unheated classroom on an allotment: fertile ground!

This is their first time in the recording studio. The resulting EP "**The Great Rewilding**" contains all-original material from band leader Si-Fi with input from the rest of the group. See below for more info on the tracks. The EP was released online on 5 May 2023. It's also available on CD from members of the band or our online shop.

Members of the Zero Carbon Band on the album are:

Si-Fi - lead guitar and backing vocals

Benjamin Simha - lead vocals, acoustic guitar

Rat Thunder - drums and other percussion, backing vocals, harmonica **Nic** - bass, flute

Their debut EP "The Great Rewilding" consists of five tracks.

It was recorded at the Brook Studio in Wallington. The songs are:

I'm a Tree - A celebration of trees and how they might feel about what mankind is doing to their ecosystems. Do trees know best?

Our Allotment - Inspired by allotment culture which includes a strong sense of community, the chorus describes Si-Fi's first plot layout which was a smiling face.

Sinking Seasick Homesick Blues - A possible future scenario if runaway climate change causes rising sea levels. The wind effect at the start was produced by whirling round some old guitar strings.

The Great Rewilding - Another possible future scenario inspired by Knepp Farm and various good eco-environmental news on the radio around the same time. Listen for the African bird call!

Commotion in the Ocean - David Attenborough brought plastic pollution in the sea to the world's attention and inspired this song. Listen out for kisses, crunchy crisps, a sponge, an emergency siren and some gargling!

Musician Bios

Founder, song writer and guitarist **Si-Fi** has been on an epic sonic journey since the days of twin tape deck dubbing, through 48K computers, sampling, manipulating sound and listening to all sorts of sound since an early age. All this led to the formation of the Zero Carbon Band and his having to learn to play guitar better (he is still learning!). **Benjamin Simha**, is a cracking songwriter, prized lead vocalist and could front any of a number of South London bands, (indeed he is in another two). Ben sees the environmental crisis as "the biggest issue that needs addressing right now". As such, Ben is the perfect front man for Zero Carbon Band. Ben is also a sound engineer; he runs the PA at local festivals, and is a driving force in crafting the ZCB sound. Sticks man **Rat Thunder** is a much sought-after drummer on the South London scene. He plays with several other bands including Gerry Scales and the Lost Planet Cowboys and the Big Red Band who are a marching protest band. He asked to join ZCB and writes a catchy song or three for us. Rat's ability to play multiple percussive instruments simultaneously is second to none!

Nic was headhunted from the local jazz scene and still plays in two other bands. She only took up bass guitar a few years ago; prior to that she played flute and saxophone in various bands in London and the South East. Nic is a key force in arranging the band's material and has recently discovered the ability to write some catchy tunes which the band looks forward to showcasing in future.

Links:

Here are some photos of the band (password: zcb) - please ask if you need more. More photos, reels and news on our Instagram account and Facebook For further information see the website: zerocarbonband.uk To contact the band, use the form on the website or email the media officer: erica@zerocarbonband.uk Download pdf version of EPK here Online shop for limited-edition CDs and T-shirts here

Zero Carbon Band is available for festivals, corporate events (subject to ethics, morals and credentials and a solid Net Zero policy commitment of said corporation), weddings, celebrations, tours, support act and headline slots, venue residencies, interviews, collaborations, etc, etc.