



Here in 2035 the communities of the Severn watershed have gathered to discuss water distribution and river care. Representatives from each town and community gathered around the fire to share food and ideas and work out fair distribution of resources and how to provide what all living things within the catchment need. The elected facilitator successfully assists the participants to engage in amicable and productive discussion. Representatives of the non-human world have their say. All are welcome to participate, young and old of all cultures and abilities. Some children join in the discussion, while others run and play in the evening sunshine. Life is thriving along the river, reed beds and woodlands flourish. There is an egret; there is an otter. The real frogs croak as the little frog representative speaks his piece. And over all the joyful streamers and the murmur of the river flowing.
Iszi Jones, Art to Imagine project team.



Here in 2035 enjoying nature has become even more important. People care for the places they live in and enjoy spending times outdoors. But the buildings are also designed so that nature becomes part of them too, so even being indoors is being close to nature.
Huw Evans, Art to Imagine project team.

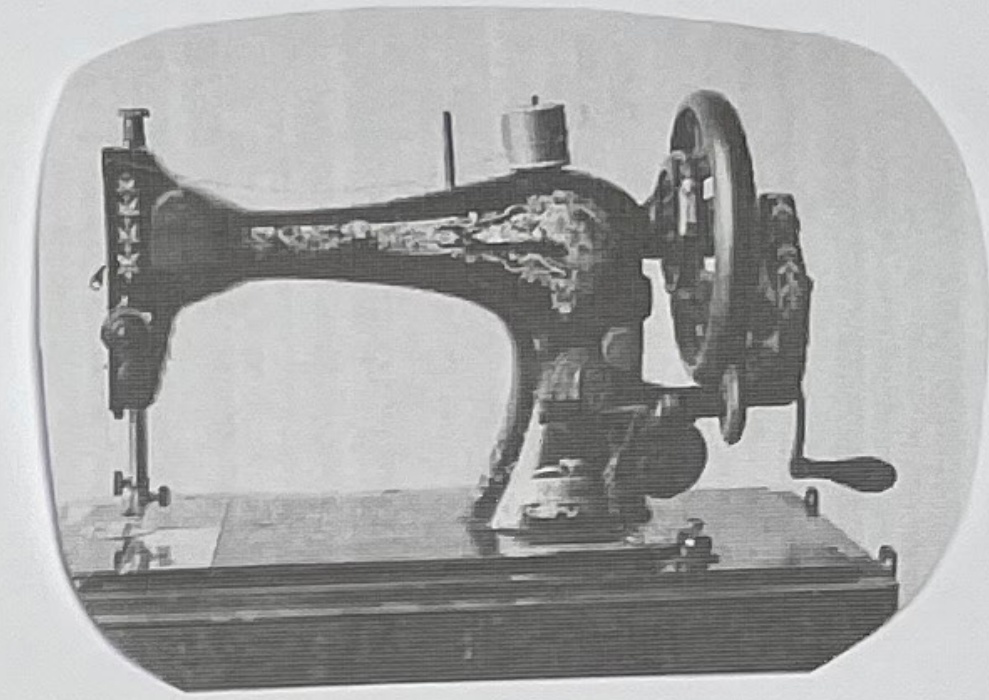
Writing and artwork from a workshop for adults at Ledbury Community Hub - June 2024

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A Special Day

By Sarah Bevan



*A weaving line of people, arms full of cloth, yarn, threads
Chatting about what to make.*

*Long tables with fabric spilling over,
all colours, many threads, heavy and light.*

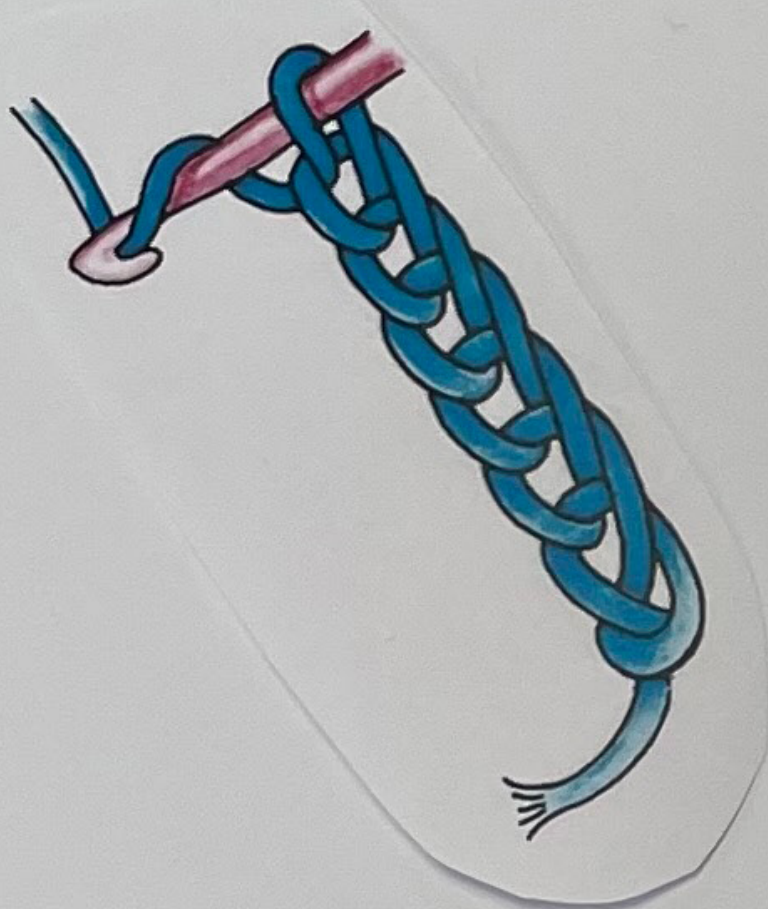
*Who has some blue cotton?
Over here....*

*A new dress, a pair of trousers,
Choosing the fabric
Finding someone to help cut out and sew
The clatter of needle and thread,
through linen, cotton, wool.*

*Sharing laughter, chatting while reusing, creating,
turning one thing into another.*

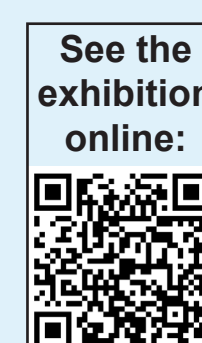
*A sense of purpose, common ground, plenty for everyone,
no request too big or too small.*

*Every wish celebrated, every choice supported,
Great joy in working together.*



*Poem by Sarah Bevan, Art to Imagine project team, from a workshop
for adults at Ledbury Community Hub - June 2024*

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Here in 2035 there is more space for more rivers. Lots of wildlife. Many More Trees. Hedgehog highways. There are many more bike routes. Writing and artwork by Molly, age 11.



In 2035 I am standing outside in a Forest School, one of the national forest schools where every school can send each class to camp outside and learn forest crafts. There is a great smell of cooking with food the children have foraged from the woodlands and meadow. I can hear singing and instruments playing and later the whole community is coming together for a shared meal and to listen to the elders in our community telling stories about when they were young. We will all sing together to celebrate our friendships and our beautiful environment with the birds singing along with us.

Writing and artwork from the Malvern Festival of Ideas workshop for families, March 2024.

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Collage by Iszi Jones, Art to Imagine project team

Here in 2035 the garden is multicoloured. The insects roam the grass and the birds fly free. The bees buzz around whilst the beavers take care of the river. The air is nice and warm. The children play in the grass running all happily.

Story by Year 8 student at The Chase School, Malvern, July 2024.

2035
 The garden grass is all green
 and the birds fly free,
 The bees buzz in the air,
 and the river is in good care
 by the beavers that stay
 Whilst the children all play.
 Running happily and free,
 Climbing up an apple tree.
 The water's clear,
 Just like the sky.
 I sit and stare,
 Just for a while,
 I smell the air,
 The air smells fresh,
 There are butterflies,
 In front of my breath,
 This is the life,
 This is the best,
 Nature is the best
 and it will be until I rest.

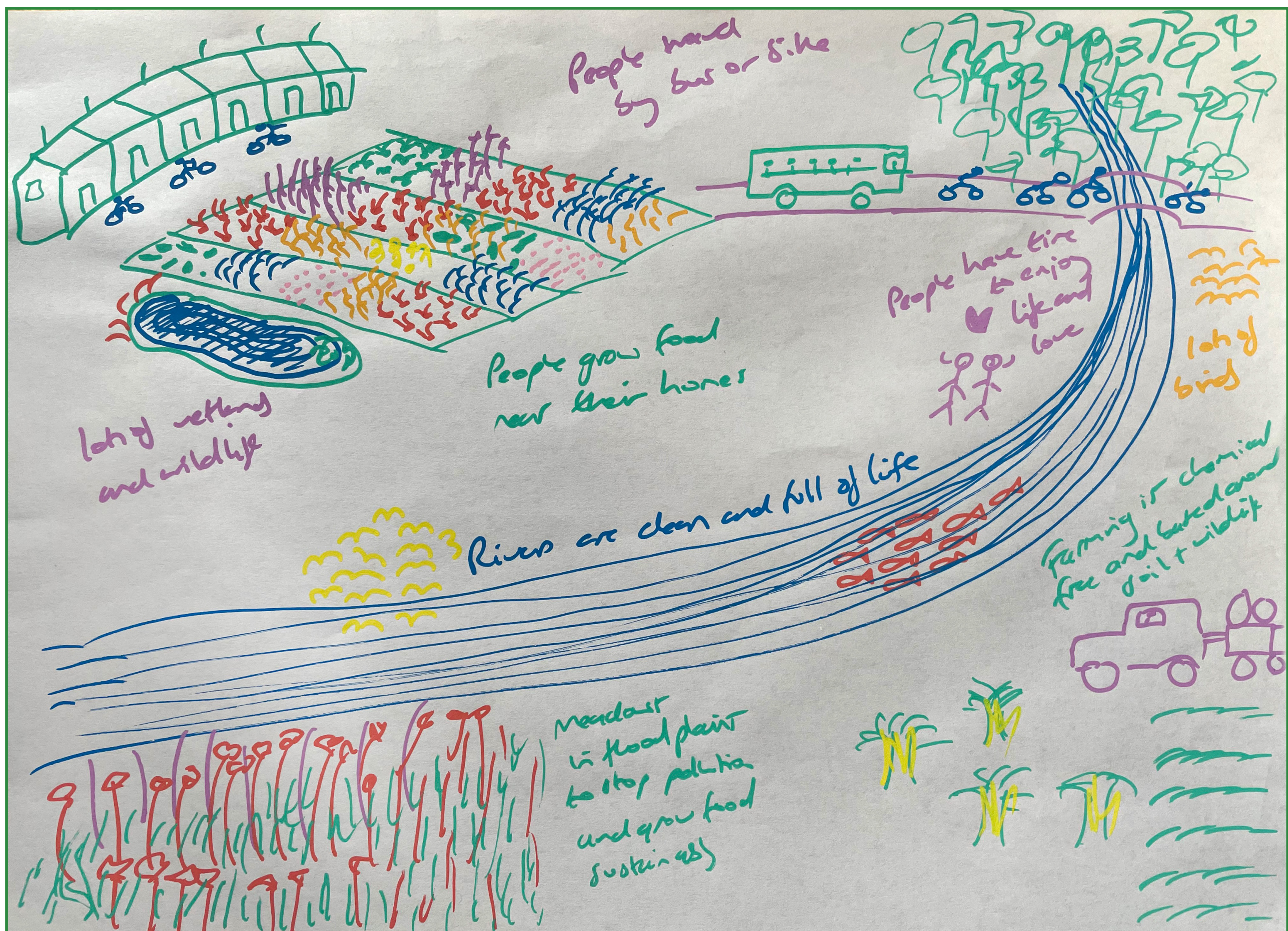
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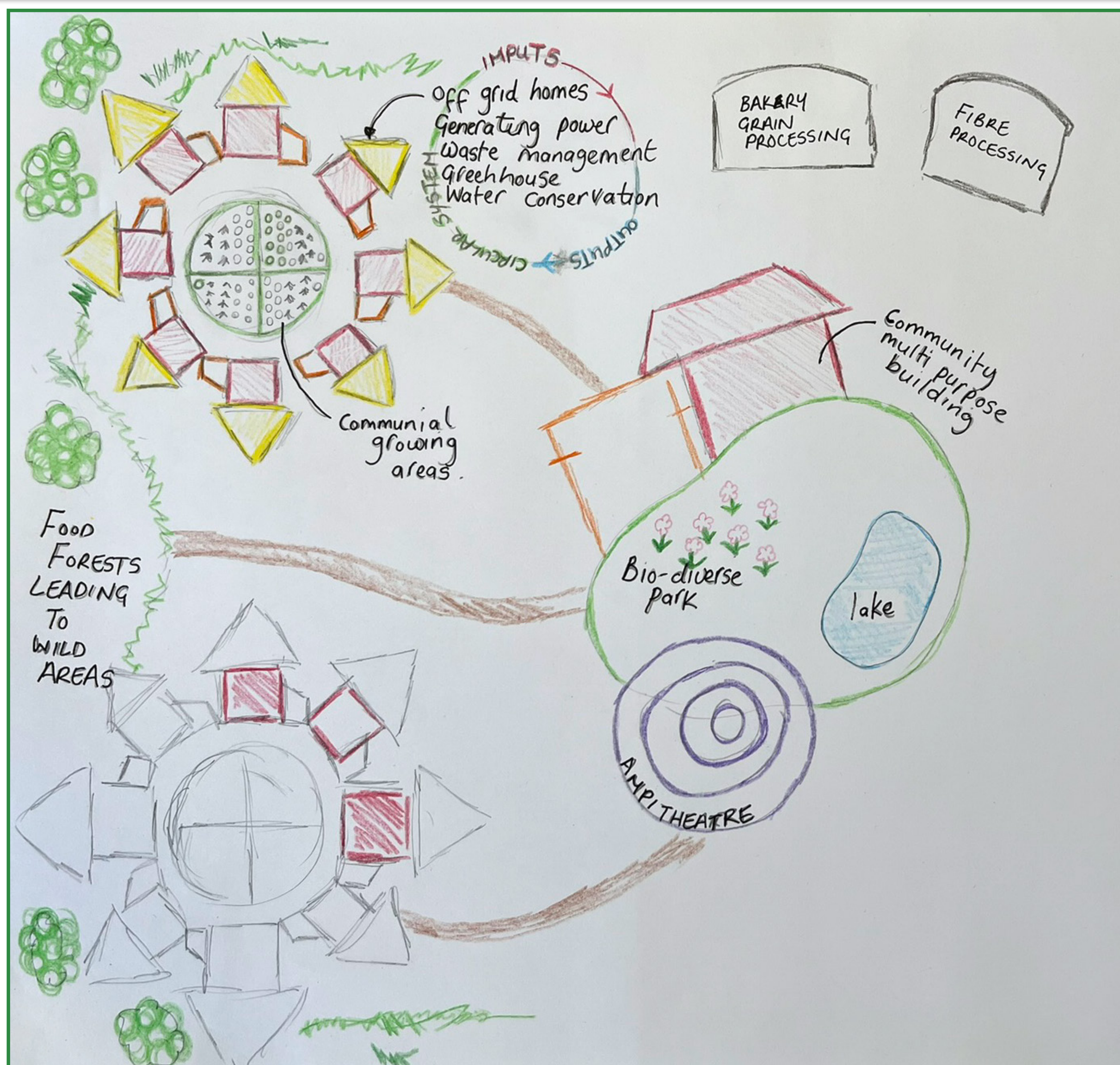
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Here in 2025 people travel by bus or bike. People grow food near their homes. Lots of wetlands and wildlife. Lots of birds. Farming is chemical free and based around soil and wildlife. Rivers are clean and full of life. People have time to enjoy life and love. Meadows in flood plains to stop pollution and grow food sustainably. Writing and artwork by Emma.



Here in 2035 houses are built to self-sustain and store energy, and waste management systems. Writing and artwork by Elen.