**IDE PARISH COUNCIL-CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON Wednesday 8 January**

**at Plane Trees**

**Attended by:** James Romain, Alex Goodman, Carolyn Tysoe, Jenny Lundh, Pip Smithson, Richard Cottle, Georgina Ambrose, Olivier Ambrose, Stuart Brooking, Andy Swain

## Weir Meadow

Stuart Brooking joined us from the Weir meadow group to share the outline plans and answer questions. The planning sought at the moment is outline, not full. The outline planning is needed to start fundraising, and to secure the license to buy. Once we have the licence, we have 3 years to raise the money. Explained that the northern fields are currently renteds to a large scale commercial farmer with large equipment. That farmer is not prepared to access northern fields via the narrow lane at the top, so the Church Commissioners insisted on access for large farm vehicles through the playing fields, which is considered unacceptable. We looked at providing a track through triangular filed, requiring levelling work, and a bridge, cost to us of £40K and no real benefit to us for that spend. Preferred option is to buy the northern fields then let them to smaller local farmer who is prepared to use the top road for access. The scheme would bring income to the PC from letting farming on northern fields, renting the cricket field and space for their pavilion to the cricket club. Renting the cricket field to other local cricket teams. Other benefits to the village are, large area of green space with full public access guaranteed in perpetuity. footpaths through northern fields linking west town road to college lane extending our limited range of footpaths. There will be public events run by the weir meadow group on 22 and 26 Feb.

## Recycling

AS showed the recycling guide produced by a local group in Holmfirth Yorkshire. It is a short document (4-6 pages) lists a huge range of items and collection points in the area including but not limited to the curbside recycling and recycling centres. Action: AG will gather information to produce a similar local one for Ide. Action: all – please pass any info about local recycling centres to AG.

## Rewilding

We have had a very positive response from the Parochial Church Council (PCC) to the idea of rewilding the management of the churchyard to encourage wild flowers and diverse habitats. There is also a possibility of influencing Teignbridge management of verges in the hams to encourage wild flowers. AS has made contact with Teignbridge regarding reducing changing the mowing patterns, apparently this is possible but will not reduce the cost to Teignbridge (perhaps there is a large fixed price contract) Action: AS to continue discussion with Teignbridge. Check if the PCC agreement refers to the churchyard or cemetery or both.

## Plastic free Ide

## Need to promote through public events. Action: GA to attend meeting on 12 th February and have a table promoting Plastic Free Ide.

## Suggestion to bring green box with contents (Action: PS if possible source a green box with suitable waste).

## Community shop is constrained on space so can’t have a plastic recycling box for Ellies. Action: GA to

ask Ann Boyce if the school can have one.

GA has written an article which will be published in February Ide Times. GA and AS have written a proposal for IPC to support Plastic Free Ide at next week’s IPC meeting.

GA suggested holding a drop and swap in summer. Milk refilling station – shop can’t accommodate yet but there is one in Longdown. Charlotte Ives has equipment for letter picking. GA to contribute to April meeting too.

## February meeting

## Refreshments Action:AB, JL and OA to talk to shop about possibility of sale or return for bottled beer and cider and to provide tea and coffee from shop. Kate and RC to talk then break to chat then AB talk.

Action: PS to double check that the hall is booked (Carol accepted the booking verbally)

Action: JR and RC to put up interactive educational info boards used previously.

Action: AS to ask AB if we can borrow school projector.

Action: RC to check if we can borrow one from St Thomas library.

Action: JR to write leaflets which can be given back to us with ideas (ideas welcome) and leaflet with future plans.

Action: JL to upload poster to website. Poster to go in Ide Times (deadline 20th January).

Action: CT to print Poster, and put up in prominent places around village.

Action: ABr to ask Annette if Pilates could finish a little earlier.

Action: OA to bring cake!

Action: JL to bring laptop.

Action: JR to ask for Kate’s power-point ahead of time.

Action: PS to put together programme and AS to chair it.

Action: AS to share Exminster experience of hosting similar meeting with PS.

## April meeting

Action:CT to ask Ide Growers (MT) if they have a date for the seed swap so we can decide on a date if we wish to hire the school hall.

## Transport

Action: CT to ask PB what info he found out about plans for increasing public transport services and

changing to electric.

## Facebook

Need to turn from a page into a group – Action:JR to ask Jessamy and we need three people to moderate (AS, CT and one other). JR recommends following Hennock Facebook Climate Change group.

## Next meeting

 7.45pm on 5th February at High Planes (thanks Richard!).

Also 7:30 Wed 22 Jan Informal meeting/social in the poachers.

Action Points.

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