

## Ide Parish Council - meeting 17 Nov 2021

### Report from Joint Projects Fund Raising Group

1. The group met on 27 Sept and 8 November 2021.
2. The response to the Appeal with the two brochures and leaflet, launched on 8 September, has been encouraging. Along with funds raised at events, 32 donors have so far donated or pledged funds, bringing the total amount raised to date to **£60,309** for both projects combined, broken down as:  
  
**£37,208 to Weir Meadow**  
**£23,101 to Victorian Orchard**
3. There remains interest from several more potential donors.
4. Our application to Viridor Credits under the landfill tax scheme for £33,000 for the Orchard has been accepted into the final stage. Their liaison officer plans to make a site visit on 1 December. We hope to hear the outcome during the second week of January 2022.
5. On 9 October Cheryl Haddy with help from Olivia Ambrose and others ran an open morning pancake breakfast in the hall. Mark Thomas and I mounted a display of plans and photographs of the Meadow, Northern Fields and the Orchard. 90-100 people attended. Later in the morning, interested residents made accompanied visits to each site (35 to the Orchard, 12 to Weir Meadow).
6. A jumble sale is planned for 20 November. Further events are planned in January and February.
7. The group is now running a second wave of the Appeal with a target deadline of 1 December. When we know the outcome of the Viridor bid, we will be in a position to determine how much to apply for as a loan from the Public Works Loan Board.
8. The group plans to conduct a consultation exercise on behalf of the Parish Council amongst residents during January 2022, consisting of two open public meetings on 22 January at 1pm and 5pm; and a survey letter with return slip delivered to every household. The purpose of the consultation will be to demonstrate support for applying for a loan for the balance of funds required.

Nick Bradley  
10 Nov 2021