

# Sustainable Villages Steering Committee Meeting

**6<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

at 3 Lower Town, Halberton. EX16 7AU

**Present:** Sally Chapman (Chair), Gill Gale, Richard Wiltshire, Tess Wiltshire, Neil Purves, Derek Thomas, Delia Kennedy, Ann Hill, Rita Balado, Steve Bush, Rosalie Chamberlin (Minutes),

**Apologies:** Hilary Corcoran, Jeni Lupton, Helen Kearney

| Item                                    | Comments  | Action   |
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| Minutes of Last Meeting/Matters Arising | <p>Repair Cafe email contacts – very few given so no further action.</p> <p>Insurance and membership of Community Action Group (within umbrella of Resource Futures). Neil has spoken to Clare re Repair Cafe insurance. If we become a member they provide insurance, templates, publicity and other help. They have some requirements including having a Constitution and a bank account, therefore best if SV applies and insurance would then cover all events. Sally signed the Application Form as Chair of SV.</p>   | <p><b>SC</b> Email group with document outlining conditions of CAG membership.</p> |
| Proposed Tiverton Riverside Development | <p>Steve Bush attended the meeting and gave us a very interesting overview of a proposed Riverside Development in Tiverton. He is a Town Councillor and also a member of the Allies Community Group. This group is concerned about a lack of social cohesion in the town. They have proposed to develop land behind the Town Hall in Tiverton.</p> <p>Several attempts have been made to develop this derelict site for residential use but the flood plain issues, environmental considerations and siting of the main Tiverton Sewer across the site have made such development economically unviable. The new proposal is for a Community Green Space including River Walk, potential Café/Retail units and Dementia Sensory Garden. In order to fund maintenance of the project they also propose having a turbine on the main Weir on the River Exe to provide Hydro-Electric power. This would provide green energy and a sustainable income.</p> <p>The Allies plan to fund the development through a Community Share Issue. The proposal is currently being considered by MDDC. The next stage is to complete a Pre-Application to the Environment Agency.</p> <p>SV agreed to give any support we can, in particular promoting the share issue.</p> <p>Allies have a Tiverton local groups promotion day at the Memorial Hall on Sat 15<sup>th</sup> Oct at 2.30pm tables are £5 each. SV could do a stall there</p> |  |
| Repair Cafe                             | Articles are appearing in the Mid Devon Star and  | <b>NP</b> Forward new  |

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|                      | possibly the Gazette this week. The new insurance will allow events in other locations.   | poster to <b>SC</b> for Mail Chimp reminder of this weekend's event.  |
| Beekeeping           | Problems have continued and now only one healthy hive. We will persevere and review our swarm management for next season.   |   |
| Greenham Reach       | No update at present on the Pig Club. Elder Farm have their Open day this Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept from 10am-4pm.   |   |
| Update from Uffculme | A trip has been arranged for Uffculme villagers to visit Broadpath Landfill Site on Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am. A similar visit could be arranged for SV and they can take up to 20. The Green Team are also compiling a map of Green Uffculme businesses. Richard suggested the Survey Monkey website may be useful when compiling the questionnaire for businesses.  |   |
| Future events        | <p>Upcycling/Reuse Day and Post Xmas Give or Take to be discussed next time.</p> <p>AGM - Agreed Simon Tytherleigh would be a good speaker for meeting in Feb/Mar next year Sally will ask.</p> <p>Apple Day - Sampford Peverell Village Hall on 29th October 11am to 3pm. We will start at 10am and juice for an hour.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Richard has spoken to Peter who will contact people who have helped in the past.</li> <li>- Bottles can be bought for £21 for 192 from Gundenham's.</li> <li>- The occupants of the house next to the Village Hall will let us use his water supply and would like some apple juice.</li> <li>- Ann happy to organise refreshments.</li> <li>- Richard will email our group and Peter's people to ask for volunteers for day.</li> <li>- Sally do email to list to put date in diary and ask for help.</li> <li>- Richard will check equipment - how many tubs we've got; Derek has additional tables for outside if necessary.</li> <li>- Derek will ask local farmer David about taking away the waste.</li> <li>- Sally has a gazebo, Tim Pointing has one.</li> <li>- Need dumpy bags.</li> <li>- People to be asked to bring washed apples.</li> <li>- Sally ask James if he will do his compost guessing game</li> <li>- Wasp in the Apple happy to do music</li> <li>- Sally will put in Parish Mags. Tess will write something for the paper. Gill will adapt Jeni 's risk assessment template if there is one.</li> </ul> | <p><b>SC</b> Ask Simon T to speak at AGM</p> <p><b>APPLE DAY</b><br/> <b>ALL</b> Contact Ann directly with offers of help with making soup or cakes and/or helping on the day. Bring apples on the day. Save juice on day for neighbour supplying water<br/> <b>RW</b> Email committee and Peter's contacts for volunteers for specific tasks. Check equipment. Ask Peter about banner and other signage. Buy bottles.<br/> <b>SC</b> Mail chimp asking for help. Provide gazebo and ask Tim Pointing about borrowing his. Ask Jeni if she has risk assessment. If so <b>GG</b> will adapt. Also ask Jeni about signage. Put notice in Parish mags. Ask James to do game<br/> <b>GG</b> Confirm with Wasp in the Apple<br/> <b>GG</b> and <b>SC</b><br/> Make soup<br/> <b>TW</b> Write article for</p> |

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|  |   | newspaper<br><b>NP</b> Ask Resource<br>Futures for risk assessment template<br><b>DT</b> Ask farmer about taking waste<br><b>DT, NP, RW, SC</b> provide dumpy bags<br><b>RC</b> Ask Ruth and Alex if they would like to sell apple trees |
| Website/Mailchimp/ advertising and promotion | All to let Richard know if they want anything to be put on the website or Facebook and Sally for the Mailchimp. Sally will do poster for Apple Day  | <b>SC</b> Write poster for Apple Day   |
| Accounts                                     | Tess brought documents from Hilary that need to be signed to be the bank signatories - Tess, Sally and Gill.  |  |
| Political item including new developments    | This week Westwood are presenting their latest plans re J27. Thursday in Cullompton and Friday at Tiverton Town Hall, both 12noon to 6pm.   |  |
| Any other business                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A new waste and recycling centre has opened at Hitchcock's Business Park between Uffculme and Willand. Moved from centre of Tiverton.</li> <li>- Freely wheely website worth looking at for recycling <a href="http://www.freelywheely.com">www.freelywheely.com</a></li> <li>- First of David Fleming's books we ordered has arrived. Derek will borrow. Event in Totnes on 12<sup>th</sup> October with Shaun and Rob Hopkins<br/><a href="https://www.schumachercollege.org.uk/events/dr-david-fleming">https://www.schumachercollege.org.uk/events/dr-david-fleming</a></li> </ul> | <b>SC</b> Send out Shaun's email re book launch on Mail Chimp  |
| Date of next meeting                         | Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm at Sally's house, 3 Lower Town, Halberton (Walk up driveway to the left side of the thatched cottage)  |  |