

Sustainable Villages Steering Committee Meeting

6th Novembr 2016

at 3 Lower Town, Halberton. EX16 7AU

Present: Sally Chapman (Chair), Derek Thomas, Gill Gale, Neil Purves, Ruth Leonard-Williams, Richard and Tess Wiltshire, Rosalie Chamberlin (Minutes)

Apologies: Hilary Corcoran

Item		Action
Minutes of last Meeting /Matters Arising	Ruth will look into where Mid Devon food waste actually goes.	RLW
Repair Cafe	The team have decided to continue at their present location for the time being but they will do a one off session in Halberton on 4 th February. Electricians were very busy last time and they are still looking for another electrician.	ALL Look out for another electrician
Beekeeping	Although now down to one hive it was a little reassuring to hear that a very experienced local beekeeper has also had a very poor season. May be because queens didn't mate well, possibly due to adverse weather. Asian Hornet has now been found in Somerset. Lesley is leaving the beekeeping group so anyone interested in joining us would be welcome.	RC Send beekeeping group information on making Asian Hornet traps. ALL Invite anyone interested to join hands-on beekeeping group
Greenham Reach	No-one at meeting to give an update.	
Update from Uffculme	Delia has arranged a ' Question Time' in Uffculme on January 20 th with Neil Parish MP, Oliver Dowding from the Green Party; Rob Hawkins, Waste Manager at Viridor; and Caroline Pomeroy, Director, Climate Stewards. Jack Wakefield from Tearfund will chair the meeting. She has also sent Rosalie a list of where posters are displayed.	
Resource Futures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Compost Doctor training date being changed to a Saturday in March. - A Love Food Hate Waste training event is being arranged. Tess went to a similar training day in Somerset concentrating on domestic household waste including use by dates, portion control, how to use freezer wisely etc. Their Food Champions will cascade the training and do what they can in terms of events. They have access to lots of training resources. Tess plans to have table at next Give or Take event and has also arranged to speak to local Women's Institute. - Saving food at Christmas. Claire has booked a slot at the Electric Nights Street Food Market in Tiverton on Fri 3rd Dec – where we hope to serve free food waste “canapes” – and give out information to help people 	ALL Volunteers needed for Electric Night event on 3 rd Dec to plan the event, gather the food, cook it, or just being there

	<p>reduce food waste.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dinnertime. An event where people bring unused food and prepare a community meal together. They have acquired all the equipment needed (Derek will store) and all that is needed is water and electricity. - Food Cycle in Exeter is willing to come to Tiverton to do an event. They collect waste food and do a weekly community meal. - They have made contact with Refurnish in Crediton. - They're making a flag for the Repair Cafe. - They plan to attend big events in Tiverton and asked for ideas like the Balloon Festival, school fetes.etc. - Reminded us to send them risk assessments for all events, don't need one every time for regular events. - Ruth will circulate suggested SV info for CAG website. - Sustainable Crediton may joint CAG. 	<p>on the night to hand it out and chat to people.</p> <p>ALL Send RF risk assessments for events.</p> <p>ALL Suggest events RF could attend</p>
<p>Feedback from Apple Day</p>	<p>Went really well. Good weather, lovely atmosphere, great music and stalls and a steady flow of people and apples. An article Tess wrote was published in the Exeter Express and Echo and brought in some people. We estimate that we pressed about 1,200 kg of apples. Our apple pressing equipment as also been loaned out seven times for donations. Over £300 was donated on the day for juicing and refreshments.</p> <p>Richard and Tess were thanked for organising the day and Sally has thanked Anne for organising the excellent refreshments. The Give or Take stall was also popular and worked well.</p> <p>Suggestions for next time were to advertise in advance in parish magazines for more volunteers; charge 20p for plastic bottles; improve signage to encourage people inside; give volunteers on the day a voucher for a free lunch; develop a system for borrowing the equipment including a set charge as it was very expensive and will need replacing at some stage.</p>	<p>GG Thank Wasp in the Apple for their excellent music</p> <p>RW Thank Ron Venner and Alan Weller for their help on the day</p>
<p>Future events</p>	<p>Tim Smit has offered to come and speak. Agreed this may not be appropriate for AGM but Sally will suggest to him coming in April. We could possibly ask Tim Pointing or Paul Samuels to share the stage. Rob Hopkins will not be able to attend</p> <p>AGM - It was agreed that a "Dinnertime" event may be a good idea when a community meal could be cooked using waste food. Ruth will ask Tim Maddams, a celebrity chef who used to work at River Cottage and is passionate about food waste, to help. Ruth will circulate a handbook as to how to run one. She will also ask Simon from CAG if he could attend to coordinate the cooking. Halberton Village Hall was suggested and a tentative date of 9th February.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Transition Town Totnes are holding their third Film Festival in March 2017. They are offering films to other 	<p>SC – Agree possible dates with Tim Smit office. Ask Tim and Paul if they would participate</p> <p>SC - Ask Tim Maddams if he will speak at the AGM and, if so, confirm date and ask if Simon can help</p> <p>SC Book Halberton Village Hall when date agreed</p> <p>ALL Look at TTT Film Festival information</p>

	<p>Transition Towns who may want to have a festival. We agreed to consider further with a view to maybe having a Film Festival next summer.</p> <p>- Post Christmas Give or Take "Out with the Old, in with the New". Tess will book the shop in Tiverton for Wednesday, 25th to Saturday 28th January. Sally will try and put in Parish Magazines before Christmas and on Mailchimp.</p>	<p>TW Contact Sue Griggs to book Creativ Hub</p> <p>SC Advertise Give or Take on Mailchimp and in Parish magazines</p> <p>RLW Do poster for Give or Take and investigate students designing the window</p>
Website/Mailchimp/ advertising and promotion	We agreed to put monthly Love Food Hate Waste tips onto our website.	TW Put monthly LFHW tips on our website
Accounts	<p>Pete will remain a building society signatory until Tess has been in with evidence of her identity.</p> <p>Hilary has provided details of the funds spent and received on the Apple Day. Richard clarified his costs were for buying bottles.</p>	TW Take identity documents in to building society
Political item including new developments	At Emma Croft's request, Tess invited Neil Parish to attend a Restart Repair event in Parliament on Tuesday.	
Any other business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sally has met Fran Box from Ebear Farm in Westleigh and will invite her to a meeting to tell us more about EM Bokashi composting. - Sally is going to the Oxford CAG skillshare event. - Rosalie will compile a list of where posters for events should be displayed. 	<p>SC Invite Fran to next meeting</p> <p>ALL Send Rosalie locations of where you put posters up locally</p>
Date of next meeting	Wednesday, 7 th December, at Richard and Tess's house, Kytton Cottage, Holcombe Rogus. (use postcode TA21 0NF.) Go through village with pub on the right. Take next left turn signed to Kytton Barton. Pass Fenton Farm on the right. 200m later take right turn. Their house is the first at the bottom of the hill.	