

Sustainable Villages Steering Committee Meeting

7th December 2016

at Kytton Cottage, Holcombe Rogus, TA21 0NG

Present: Sally Chapman (Chair), Richard and Tess Wiltshire, Derek Thomas, Gill Gale, Neil Purves, Hilary Corcoran, Claire Mountjoy, Kate Smith, Judy Summers, Wendy Frost, Jo Pedrick, Rosalie Chamberlin (Minutes)

Apologies: None

Item		Action
Welcome and Introductions	Kate, Judy, Wendy and Jo from Tiverton were welcomed to the meeting for the first time and Sally gave them an introduction to the group and the work we do.	
Minutes of last Meeting /Matters Arising	Ruth and Claire have been told by Devon County Council that local food waste currently goes to the In Vessel Composting Facility at Broadpath but from April 2017 it will go to an Anaerobic Digestion plant in Somerset and the garden waste will go to a composting facility at Hill Barton in Devon. . We have been invited to visit the new facility as a small group and will accept this invitation.	CM Accept DCC invitation to visit on our behalf
Matters Arising from Updates	<p>In future each subgroup will circulate an update before the meeting. Matters arising from them will be discussed at the meeting. The reports received before this meeting are attached.</p> <p>The Repair Cafe. They do not now have an electrician although they do have PAT testers. As most repairs requested are electrical they have decided, after the December one, to suspend the sessions. The team will meet monthly to discuss the situation. Claire will follow up on some contacts and is confident of finding another electrician. Regarding promotion, Phoenix Lane noticeboard, school newsletters and a banner on the railings near Banbury's were suggested and Kate also offered to publicise.</p> <p>Uffculme Green Team. 'Any Green Questions' event will be on Friday 20th January 2017, 7.30pm at Magelake. There will be a panel of 4 including Rebecca Pow, local MP who sits on the Environmental Audit Select Committee and the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Select Committee.</p> <p>Greenham Reach. Richard and Tess have visited James and he will be sending out Pig Club information soon.</p>	<p>CM Follow up on contacts to recruit an electrician</p> <p>GG and NP Follow up on publicity ideas for Repair Cafe</p> <p>JD Send out Pig Club details</p>

	<p>Resource Futures. Report attached.</p> <p>Beekeeping. Report attached.</p>	
Feedback from recent events	Sally and Jo went to the Oxfordshire CAG Skillshare event. Mainly sustainable groups from Oxfordshire were represented. They felt it was very worthwhile and came away with new ideas on communicating with schools, running meetings and recruiting volunteers.	
Future Events	<p>Post Xmas Give and Take. Not going ahead now as the Creative Hub shop is unavailable as it is being permanently used by an art project from 8th January. Sue Griggs is looking for an empty shop we may be able to use. There is a new Pannier Market Manager and Claire thinks we may be able to use the market building twice a year. She will give the name to Richard to contact. We hope to do another event in April.</p> <p>AGM. Tim Maddams is happy to be involved in a Dinnertime event. However the group decided it may be preferable that this isn't part of the AGM. Tim Smit would be preferred for the AGM and Sally will ask him if he is available on 7th, 8th, 9th or 22nd Feb and see if Uffculme School would be available. Richard will ask Paul Samuels if he would chair.</p> <p>Dinnertime event may be held in March. Suggested venues were St George's extension (behind Boots) or Halberton Village Hall. However Jo suggested Wilcombe School and this seemed to be the favoured option. We could start after school at 4pm. Kate offered to help looking after children. Everyone will be asked to bring unused food from home and Tesco to provide some basic. We could look at this event as a trial and then hold a bigger event later involving Tim Maddams. Tess and Claire offered to help Jo to arrange the event at Wilcombe School with a provisional date of 13th January. Claire, Tess, Wendy and Judy expressed interest in forming a Food subgroup.</p> <p>Upcycling/Re-use Day. Wendy and Judy may be interested in holding a swishing event as they have done so many times before. They normally charge and give the proceeds to charity so details would need to be discussed. Claire can arrange supply of clothes rails etc. They will think about it.</p> <p>Compost doctor training. Now to be held on 18th March.</p>	<p>CM Give Richard name of Pannier Market Manager</p> <p>RW Contact Pannier Market Manager</p> <p>SC Contact Tim Maddams and Uffculme School with dates</p> <p>RW Contact Paul Samuels re AGM</p> <p>CM, TW and JP discuss Wilcombe School event</p> <p>CM, TW, JS and WF discuss Food Group</p> <p>SC to send out Doodle date to arrange Food group meeting</p> <p>WF and JS Consider swishing event</p>
Website/Mailchim	Richard has put a new Food Waste page on our	CW Send CAG link to

p/ advertising and promotion	<p>website that Tess will update monthly. He will see if he can link this to the CAG website. Claire will send him the link.</p> <p>20th January Green Questions event, 18th March Compost doctor training and 21st and 22nd February Love Food Hate Waste training will be put on website.</p>	<p>RW for website</p> <p>RW Put events on website</p>
Accounts	Provisional Accounts attached. Gill will email outstanding financial information to Hilary. Tess now an approved signatory.	GG send financial info to HC
Political items (including local developments)	None discussed.	
Name of group	Our name is officially Sampford Peverell and District Sustainable Villages. This is rather long and we are usually referred to as Sustainable Villages. Other options mentioned were Sustainable Villages Transition Town; Tiverton and District Transition Town; and Transition Tiverton and Sustainable Villages. We may discuss it at the AGM. We could agree on a name and then have a relaunch, possibly in Tiverton.	SC SV name on AGM Agenda
Any other business	<p>Neil Parish replied positively to Tess when she invited him to attend the Give or Take event at parliament.</p> <p>Kate issued an open invitation to anyone to visit Tiverton Adventure Playground. She can be contacted on 07842 644880 or katesmithdevon73@gmail.com She also mentioned they have a hall that could be used by a sustainable concern if there was a mutual benefit.</p>	
Date of next meeting	Thursday, 12 th January at Sally's. 3 Lower Town, Halberton (Walk up driveway to the left side of the thatched cottage)	