

EAST HARPTREE PARISH COUNCIL CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP (CNEWG)

Notes of meeting held on Tuesday 10 March 2020 at Keats, Smithams Hill, East Harptree

PRESENT: Paul Cullen (PC), Kate Gillingham (KG), Wendy Gregory (WG), Chris Head (CH), Jackie Head (JH), Bernice Roberts (BR) (**Secretary**), Nick Roberts (NR) (**Chair**), Steve Thomas (ST)

APOLOGIES: Sally Calverley (SC), Chris Johnson (CJ)

No	Item	Report	Action
1	Strategy for action		
	1.1	<u>Energy:</u> FD report to include revived Government subsidy for onshore wind turbines, links to B&NES Energy at Home, & opportunities for local application of CSE CHEESE project training.	BR to revise.
	1.2	<u>Transport:</u> JH to complete report with notes from SC. Meanwhile, encourage all to respond to WECA Transport Plan consultation before 15 March.	JH to issue V1 for WG review. Done; see JH email 14/03
	1.3	<u>Green Infrastructure:</u> EH Environment Group already progressing most of the strategy as core activity. May look to PC for support as appropriate e.g. allocating CIL funds for functional tree planting to include fruiting stock. An immediate action to boost parish GI would be for PC to press B&NES to improve rural hedge cutting contractor codes, citing damaging impacts of current bad practice on C&NE and cost issues (biodiversity & flood risk) and highway safety.	WG & KG to take proposal to PC seeking B&NES revised hedge maintenance contracts consistent with Council's direct maintenance policy
	1.4	<u>Planning:</u> Key issue is need to support the PC with the additional load of planning for C&NE on existing responsibilities, especially to be robust in fostering local development that delivers on climate change policy.	
	1.4	<u>Food:</u> FD report to include: allotments; opportunities to encourage 'local' food market for garden gluts & to enhance footfall to community shop; role of PC in giving confidence to Community Shop to diversify; using Flower Show to promote local produce and graphics to show progress.	PC/SC to revise & prepare topic summary sheet.
	1.5	<u>Waste and Recycling:</u> PC/KG working with Peter McKendry (Chew Magna) on V2. To be discussed at next EH WG meeting (14 April).	PC/KG issue V2 for WG review prior to next meeting.
2	Action Planning		
	2.1	Deferred to next meeting.	
3.	Next steps		
	3.1	<u>Report to EHPC - process</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Output of the WG will be the six topic reports, prefaced with an overarching Non-technical Summary, including recommendations. • Reports will be framed as professional documents, stating clearly what the WG recommends that the EHPC does next, and highlighting where other groups/agencies could be involved. • To be submitted as an interactive presentation to the EHPC meeting on 16 June 2020. • It is anticipated that, following their consideration of WG report, the parish councillors will make a collective decision on what strategy EHPC, representing the entire community, will take forward. 	

	3.2	<u>Final versions of draft reports</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Costings: PC actions must be cost sensitive. All authors to review/update reports with best available consideration of cost of recommended actions: (1) for the individual; (2) cost of not pursuing action; (3) cost to the planet. 	Added to actions under Item 1: Authors to add discussion of cost implications to reports.
	3.3	<u>Communicating the Strategy for Action: Ref: WG Proposed Communications Strategy (emailed: 7 March 20).</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task of developing the communications strategy allocated to dedicated Comms group: WG, ST, PC, JH & BR; • Comms Strategy to be prepared for submission to EHPC following PC deliberation on the Strategy Report. 	Comms group to meet and report progress to WG meetings.
4	Any other Business		
	4.1	<u>Annual Parish Meeting:</u> arrangements to be led by JH, CH & ST	JH, CH & ST
	4.2	<u>EHPC Green Awards Scheme:</u> ref: <i>JH Papers (emailed 8, 10 & 13 March 20)</i> . Proposal for a scheme to encourage and embed behaviour change that helps to tackle C&NE, to be promoted by EHPC and supported by others, including key influencers in the community.	Comms group to consider whether/how Awards scheme fits Comms Strategy
	4.3	<u>Sharing EHPC C&NEWG outputs with others:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • agreed that topic papers will be shared with Chew Magna WG, and others as requested. • protocol for sharing with Chew Valley PC WGs: assumed that each WG owns its own strategy and effort, sharing with others where common themes apply. • objective for wider action is for WGs to contribute to common C&NE response framework across the Chew Valley. 	BR to issue to CM WG CH to communicate sharing with CV Forum members
	4.4	<u>Legacies:</u> idea that individuals might be invited to contribute to community action on C&NE by leaving legacies to fund specific actions.	
	4.5	<u>Programme for meetings of Chew Valley Parish working groups:</u> CH to initiate programme of joint WG meetings, raising it as an item at the One Planet Living Q&A hosted by Chew Magna 11/03.	CH to attend/report back to EH WG.
7	NEXT MEETING		
	7.1	Tuesday 10 March 2020, 19.00 – 20.30 at Keats. <i>NB – it is suggested that to avoid risk of transmitting coronavirus, the next (April) meeting should be held via video conferencing, and future arrangements reviewed thereafter. Details to follow.</i>	Post meeting note: Government lockdown measures confirmed 23 March

**East Harptree Parish Council Climate & Nature Emergency Working Group - meeting schedule
December 2019 – June 2020**

PLEASE NOTE REVISED DATES (IN BLUE TEXT)

Date	Time	Venue	Chair
2019			
Tuesday 10 December	19.00 – 20.30	Lavender Cottage, Water St	Paul Cullen
2020			
Tuesday 14 January	19.00 – 20.30	The Old Byre Church Lane	Wendy Gregory
Tuesday 11 February	19.00 – 20.30	Ingleby, Coombe Lane	Sally Calverley
Tuesday 10 March	19.00 – 20.30	Keats, Smithams Hill	Nick Roberts
Tuesday 14 April	19.00 – 20.30	Keats, Smithams Hill*	Nick Roberts
Tuesday 5 May	19.00 – 20.30	St Michaels Cottage*	tbc
Tuesday 2 June	19.00 – 20.30	The Old Byre*	Wendy Gregory
C&NEWG presentation to EHPC Tuesday 16 June 2020	tbc	The Theatre, East Harptree*	

- TBC subject to Covid 19 restrictions