



Steering Group Monday November 14th 2016

Present: Pat Baker, Denise Renshaw, John Handley, Jean Hill, Heather Calderbank
Pippa Jones, Chris Frankland, Anthony Jones, Garry Olson,

Apologies: Andrew Backhouse, Anita Willoughby, Jane Selva

Minutes of last meeting - Approved

Business Arising:

The Wilmslow Show event was cancelled due to flooding

The 2 Lindow Moss walks, the dawn walk and the September walk were very successful, attracting new people in.

The foraging event in October was successful and another one is planned in 2017

The Public Lecture by Derek Alcock on local procurement created interest and gave rise to a good discussion

Group reports

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Energy Group:

a) I have recruited Sarah Fox, Althea Wilkinson with Garry Olson to work with Chris Daniel and hopefully me to revise how to use the thermal camera, do energy surveys, and get more surveys done to meet the 30 more that we expected to do for Wilmslow Town Council in return for their funding last year. They did surveys with us 4 years ago and Sarah often shows up at our stalls when we do them, We need more people to want surveys done though, so if anyone knows/could encourage someone please let Ali know.

b) Ali may be able to say more, but Mike Rance from Go Lo Macclesfield is going to come and talk about the installation of batteries and solar power in Peaks and Plains houses for those who are finding energy bills too expensive - a project Go Lo are working with Cheshire East and which seems quite exciting. Sounds like the 1st December is the likely date.

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ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING REPORT TO 14 NOVEMBER 2016 STEERING GROUP CHESHIRE EAST LOCAL PLAN

Jeans revised report to be inserted

Lindow Moss Group

Successful walks led by John have attracted a lot of interest.

Planning application: In early September Crogan Peat submitted a revised restoration

3 plan and submissions had to be made within a very short time frame following this. John submitted the document which is attached. He particularly drew our attention to Item 5 in this document referring to the pivotal role that the proposed “Restoration Committee” will play.

Anthony raised anxieties about toxic waste finding its way into Sugar Brook from Newgate.

Food Group

Garry Olson will liaise with Gavin Mendham and Chris Frankland to organise a Saturday morning pruning workshop at the Meriton Road Orchard in January.

The new Coop branch on Water Lane is offering community grants. At the next Food Group Meeting costs for replacing trees at Gravel Lane and extending the raised beds will be discussed in order to put together a grant application.

It was noted that Food4macc Direct has ceased to trade, a future project is to put together a directory of the places where locally grown and produced food can be purchased for the website.

Tree Group

Tree walk was a great success, 22 came including 2 children and 2 teenagers.

Raised awareness of the need to ensure the right trees are planted and properly maintained. A report from the walk should be submitted to the Wilmslow Partnership with recommendations for tree planting.

Date and Time of next meeting December 12th. Bring ideas for forward planning