

CCPC Environment Group Action Notes

In Person Meeting 10 March 2022 7.30pm Mortons Manor Hotel

Present – David, Helen, Luke and 3 members of the public.

1. Introductions

Apologies received from 8 people. Also Helen apologised that notes of the last meeting were not circulated by email, but advised that they would be sent round with the notes of this meeting.

2. Quick feedback on last EG Meeting actions

- Helen fed back that a pellet burner isn't on Giki as this is too specialised, but that they advised to be carbon neutral, users would need to be planting the equivalent of the wood being burned.
- Regarding hubs for charging of electric cars for residents who don't have a driveway; the PC is setting up a Working Party to look into charging points in the residents car park (next to the surgery in West Street / Hollands Close). This may then look into other sites, but at present there is only Helen on this Working Party.

Open actions

- **ACTION** Josey follow up on Richard's letter to the PC asking the PC to contact the planners about the new precedent set by the Durlston decision in relation to their previous negative response to the PC from DC. A further example is Exeter Cathedral that is Grade 1 listed.
 - **ACTION** Helen to raise use of Bio-coal (20% biomass) with Colin Morgan of Swanage Railway.
 - **ACTION** Helen / David / Tom to discuss further the Halves were discussed for some possible tree planting sites,
 - **ACTION** Helen to add people at the meeting would like to join the independent Our Secret Field Group to a new What's App Group.
 - **ACTION** Luke is writing a letter to DC on street lighting.
 - **ACTION** Helen to contact parishioner about being part of Dorset Greener Open Homes
- Feedback on other actions detailed in the relevant agenda items

3. Corfe Castle Primary School Eco Projects

- Luke said the school eco lead had hoped to attend but was not able to. He advised that the school are focussing on 5 areas – biodiversity, healthy living (including palm oil) litter, waste and water usage.
- They have already planted 5 trees, and hope to plant more, and a butterfly walkway from the rear school gate to the car park.
- It was suggested that a display board be created showing what the school have achieved for the Annual Parish Meeting on 23rd May, and the school Eco lead be invited too. **ACTION** Luke.

4. EG Jubilee Projects update

- David advised that following the walkabout site in March we now have 78 possible sites, plus additional sites at God's Acre (spoil mound next to ditch / stream) and Webber's Close. Survey required for these two sites, and photos of these and all sites not previously photographed. **ACTION** Helen / David

- Helen shared the plan of the ownership of the Halves from the Commons Hearing in 1987. This will provide information for further discussions about planting on the Halves. **ACTION** Helen / David / Tom
- Helen also briefed that we need to liaise with our Ward Cllr, Cherry Brookes, and work in partnership with DC for any sites owned by DC.
- Luke has secured 420 additional free tree plants for use in the parish in the autumn.
- David reminded everyone about the hedge planting completed at Kimmeridge. **ACTION** David to check the Kimmeridge planting dates to see if these can be included in the 70 x 70 Jubilee project; while not in the council parish, Kimmeridge is in the parochial parish, and so all agreed these could be included.
- **ACTION** David to investigate ownership of the piece of land at the junction of the A351 / Church Knowle Road, to see if this might be a suitable site for our ceremonial Jubilee tree planting in June.

5. Biodiversity Projects update (St James and butterfly surveys)

- David reported that the plan for further biodiversity improvements at St Edwards was generally well received by the PCC.
- The possibility of improving biodiversity in other churches in the parish / parochial parish was discussed – Church Knowle, Kimmeridge, Steeple Tyneham, and the old East Street Cemetery in Corfe Castle. **ACTION** David to liaise with Helen and Steve Earwicker about a survey at Kimmeridge. **ACTION** David to liaise with Linda Price about a survey at Tyneham.
- Helen advised we now have contact details for the two people who complete butterfly surveys on the Corfe Common transect. **ACTION** Helen to follow up to arrange a meeting.
- **ACTION** David to see if Martin Warren would be interested in doing some butterfly survey training to allow us to do other butterfly surveys in the parish.
- **ACTION** Luke to look at Roy's reports about butterflies and native plants to see if we can include extracts in information to the EG, either at meetings or in CVN.

6. Ideas for Corfe Castle APM 23rd May

- **ACTION** Helen to prepare a short presentation about what we are, how we make changes and what we have done so far.

7. Ideas for EG events for Planet Purbeck Festival (16-25 Sept)

- Ideas include a tree and / or wildflower giveaway. Roy offered to grow on wildflowers from our wildflower seeds. Also we should include a slide about ideas for our village contribution to the PP festival at the APM.

Date of Next Meetings

- Full EG meeting 7.30pm on 12th May at Morton Manor, **ACTION** Luke. Talk / topic - Coast management EA Dave Picksley - **ACTION** David
- Future talks / topics - **June** Ben NT slow the flow / Angus DWT re Riverfly projects – **ACTION** Luke.
- September** Jim White Heaths habitats - **ACTION** David. **October** Will Bond / Derek Moss energy

CCPCEG Core Group members; Josey, Helen, Tom, Luke, David, Richard

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