



MINUTES OF A ZOOM MEETING OF CAG 21st July 2022- start 8 pm

Present: Peter Condon, Hilary Young (delayed), Keith Warburton, Jenny Shelton, Kirstin Rayner (minutes)

Apologies: Jean York, Adrian Semerene, Sarah Howe, Guy Kiddy, Nicola Jenkins

Items to discuss: - Carbon Literacy, and Engaging Communities- feedback from training-JS and PC
Big Green Week, Groundwork East training-PC. NJ- has difficulty joining with non-numeric passcodes by phone.

Minutes amended-NJ comments incorporated.

Isabella Tree-Wilding-KW summarised KR read on holiday. Based on Knepp Estate in Sussex. Recently released bison in Kent. Understanding of the term 'wildwood' not a closed canopy of trees as portrayed by historians/folklore. Importance of browsing scrub- larger animals retain open areas like the New Forest. Terms of reference- need to report on main aims by November 2022 to the Parish Council.

JS summarised carbon literacy training from Groundwork East. Cambs carbon footprint high on transport, food, consumer goods, recycling is happening, won't solve the problem on its own. Scary map showing risk of flooding with Ely under water, and town in Wales evacuated by 2050. IPCC report must reduce emissions by 50% in 7 years, Paris agreement reduction in temperatures of 1.5% to net Zero by 2050 if not sooner. Cambs CC to halve emissions by 2030- through supply chain. Individuals responsible to act-smaller boat to steer. What you can do individually how often fly/drive/walk cycle more. Cambs Carbon footprint -hire out heat camera to see which properties are most leaky. Farms-shopping local- low carbon miles, second hand clothes, buy less stuff. Inspiring making changes- not just climate -walk to school, health benefits/safety benefits-how to pitch it-actions to take forward. Possible article for the Gazette, thermal imaging camera/walking bus to school. PC-brilliant summary -so much global mining/industries/greatest polluters. Calculate own carbon footprint//footprint.wwf.org.uk. KW summaries show enlightenment -looking at different angles-JS refresher-press release call to arms-personal interest in biodiversity angle. KW- buy less- JS people indoctrinated by this hard to break this- only 7% emissions less over lockdown due to home shopping.

Pressure on sewers, heating homes individually, JS- looking at holidays by train instead of flying.

Cambridgeshire -Peat problem. Guy meat production-grazes under solar panels-environmentally minded. HY joined the meeting.

JS- Lower Field wildflower project- costs 8 times annual cost for cut and remove twice. To be discussed at Parish Councils next meeting. Carbon negativity in question due to diesel trips of lorries removing arisings. HY- churchyard project- PC to help, JS unable to take on another project. PC compost wormery-possibly in church hall garden. HY-heads together what to do-frustrations with the permissions required-how to make it happen. Planned a long-term green project for the community. The congregation won't run the project- need to rely on volunteers year on year-material removal. Wildlife trust to be contacted to do survey of what is there already-apply for an award. Parish Council needs to see the design idea to understand changes to the current contract and who is responsible for what maintenance wise. Parish Council have to maintain gravel paths. HY to share plan-to show what the ideas are. Needs clarification from the WT that the right areas have been identified for what is already there.

PC- Engaging Communities talk-

Meeting suspended

Meeting re-opened

Climate psychology Alliance- younger generation how they reference climate agenda. KW finding the hot



buttons to engage-idea that the issue is too big to handle—nudge behaviours. PC how to present to show it is not insurmountable - attitude of hope and action. Good information sources on course-how to present to groups. Local sense- terms of reference- more pointed-what should we be doing. KW-What could the Parish Council be doing to deliver on behalf of the working party. Thermal imaging camera-project could do this-street by street. Everyone to look at TOR to see deliverables, Extra insulation in houses could help. KL joined the group- JS- money saving angle could help people engage with this. Heating through the roof? Report is needed by November- some actions-need to be refined.

Green Week- KL-September- speaker is booked for Weds evening- environment theme-HY- end of that week is harvest festival- like to be village inclusive. Display churchyard green project at event.

Talk of bulb plantation with the school-KL has bulb budget for Kingspan garden- could combine efforts there and do joint planting project. JS like to tie the two together. Will involve the headmistress and class involvement-end of September. Peter-energy bulbs- energy monitors potential for kids school project. KL- needs one person responsible for the camera and concern about risk of damage- not particularly easy to operate-needs an adult. Find hotspots in village a good task. KL- teachers are over committed- may be too much of a rush as now not back until September. JS- suggested Wi involvement-PC-Scouts-Steve Palmer-cubs-talk about waste and recycling-Waterbeach recycling may be able to attend. JS-how to make it fun. KL suggested a village litter pick and recycle talk

Scouts- Heat Camera (HY-also Guides)

Benita finding the right guider is important for talk

Thermal Camera- can we book it for that week? PC to email and ask. (KL provided email)thermalimaging@scambs.gov.uk shared

Clothes swap event- anything left over to go to the clothes bin/charity shop. Ask Sarah Howe if she could lead swishing event.

Community Feast- first weekend- using foodbank food, leftovers, veg from village show (donated), KW- keen to do a chilli- veg, part veg/meat and meat version. Encourage people to bring a dish. HY- lentil carrot soup-competition soup an idea. HY- perhaps Adrian -another group could deliver this.

Sept gazette next week needs to have a rough plan to publicize.

24th Sept to 2nd October

1st Saturday can do food fest-KL hub provisionally booked main hall 2-4. 30pm.Green feast-Kitchen needed

Roderick- best recipes- ask

Jannah or other food outlet sponsor- possibly to take part

Promote Big Green Week

- 1) Catered event first weekend
- 2) Church concludes final Sunday harvest festival
- 3) PC Village Show -promote the event
- 4) Backroom café on the Monday- veggie soup
- 5) Talk Weds Midweek
- 6) Possible swishing event
- 7) School bulb planting

Subgroup needs to be set up PDQ- JS/KW/PC/HY ask Adrian and Sarah

Need to check with footballers- 24th Saturday- hub use/whether want to be involved?

KW initial programme for the Gazette- schedule in another meeting. Hilary to set up link for next meeting (problems this time)



Meeting closed 9.20pm.