

HEAT MINUTES – 23RD MARCH, 2022

- 1) **PRESENT** Helen Cukier, Daniel Cukier, Mark Greenwell, Penny Locke, Frances Lofthouse, Mark Lofthouse, Freddie K Pocock, Rose Somerset, Trish Witham
- 2) **APOLOGIES** Jonathan Baccus, John Downe, Tony Drewer-Trump, Pat Glover, Henry Mills, Maria White
- 3) **ACTIONS** from last meeting.
 - i) Trish to send photo of wormery to Pat
 - ii) Repair Café – a good success
 - iii) Lockdown Wood care, Saturday. Cannot use fresh wood chippings round trees. Likely to be low number of volunteers, so need to do what we can. No press release yet. Helen to check Primary Sch. banner. Plaque may be ready.
 - iv) Eco Conference. John confirms Nursery car park available. **ACTION** Everyone spread the message re this event.
 - v) Recycling – Pat has produced second poster. Penny has made video. Also following up on food waste at Prim. Sch. and Youth Community Centre. A3 laminated posters being sought by Helen. **ACTION**
 - vi) Ink Cartridges. Daniel – following up. Penny has got box for used cartridges at back of St Lawrence Church.
- 4) **LOCKDOWN WOODS MAINTENANCE.**

Susan Millington kindly coming with friend and tools. The more people the better! Bring loppers, secateurs, forks, strong gloves, and coffee. Meet at Marsh Lane Gate at 9 am.

The purpose will be to cut down and dig out brambles, remove new growth from ash die-back, and weeding.
- 5) **HUNGERFORD TOWN CO. MEETING.** Weds 30th March in the Croft Hall, set up - 6pm. **Heat Table with Flip Chart re Home Energy Show – 24th Sept.** asking people about their Priorities. 1st Shift (5.30 to 7.30) Rose and Mark G. 2nd Shift. (7.30 to 9) Helen and Pat and John. All Heat members welcome **ACTION** – Frances giving leaflets to MG, & checking with Claire Barnes re Second table for Recycling. Refreshments available at 6.30. Start time; 7 pm.
- 6) **FEED-BACK from REPAIR CAFÉ.** The morning achieved 51% repairs or advice about repairs, and £250 in donations. It was felt that the café was welcoming, but possibly the form filling a bit off-putting.
- 7) **SUNDAY MARKETS.** First Summer Market on Sunday 10th April, set up old Gazebo. Penny will be there early at 7.45. Trish and Rose able to help, each for approx. 1 hour. Pat will set up Recycling table. Sale of gifted plants – donations to subsistence Farmers. **ACTION** ALL – plants to sell. **ACTION** HEAT Banner. (Helen)
- 8) **FILMS** These are not happening at present. Discussion about what sort of films would interest the public and provoke conservation conversation. “KISS THE GROUND”?

9) ECO CONFERENCE. Sat. 18th June

Heat will be responsible for two 'side shows'. a) **EV's** – with 7/8 locally owned EV cars parked in the Nursery School car park for people to ask questions, etc.

b) **Home Energy without it costing the Earth.** Details to be worked out.

10) HUNGERFORD SUMMER FESTIVAL 2nd -10th July.

Rose has been working on various possibilities and timetable for two Heat events.

Tues. 5th, 7.30 pm Dr Mike Morecroft is available to give a talk with generous time for Q's and A's - in Croft Hall. Drinks Licence, £85. People pay for drinks. But free entry.

Thurs. 7th, 7.30 pm. in the Hub. Rachel Hammond. 'Positive impact of local plants.'

Both speakers to be asked if they are happy to be recorded.

11) HOME ENERGY SHOW – '*Home Energy without it costing the Earth*' – Sat. 24th Sept.

Mark G referred to the planning meeting held on the 8th March. John has launched a 'Press Release' for the NWN and the Advisor.

Mark suggested a Key -Note Speaker might be Martin Lewis or similar with high profile.

Further Meeting on this Event – Thursday 31st March 7 pm – by ZOOM. (see LINK on Email) *ALL WELCOME*. ACTION – Helen will send MAILCHIMP.

12) SOCIAL MEDIA Helen asked that everything we do is advertised on Social Media.

ACTION – Freddie – and ?

Generally agreed that Social Media is a valuable means of communicating – even though not everyone is connected.

13) COMMUNICATING – John had queried the value of 'What's App.' as not everyone uses mobile phone. General discussion about ways of communicating.

Frances may be able to connect main topics with anyone who is unable to access What's App.

14) ACTION – Please could people save/grow plants for the Rotary Club's Plant Sale, Sat. 14th May. 10 – 12pm, at 'Tumblings', 16 The Croft.

15) A.O.B. Thurs. 7th April – St Lawrence Church next Conservation – Painting the Dunmill Lock Gate. 9am kick off.

Food Waste Survey – Trish.

Helen's old seed collection to be taken to Sunday Market Stall – **ACTION** Frances

NEXT MEETING – re Home Energy – Thurs 31st March 7pm (See link enclosed)

NEXT Main Weds. Meeting, 27th April – 7 pm Zoom.