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Staverton Climate Emergency Action Group

20th January 2020 at 7.00 p.m, Live & Let Live pub

Present : Carmen, Simon, John, Mel, Dom, Julia , Anna , David, Annie, Malcolm , Annie, Lynne , Nick, Pa

Parish Council Report, Carmen.

Parish council have supported the creation of a specific ring fenced fund for the Climate Group
The 'friend referral fee' from Octopus when a new customer switches to them for electricity can be directed into this fund.

Feedback from Action Groups

Energy	<p>Energy audit set up on website. 16 households have registered their data. FTF effort may be needed to encourage parishioners to join the audit. Action Simon will attend Saturday market to publicise the audit. Plan to offer data input service for those without computers. Flyer to be designed . and ?Distributed house to house Annie reported that SSB had done a similar exercise and found it hard to engage people. Small groups to cover certain area .</p> <p>Home energy improvements .Case study houses could be used to demonstrate sustainable Eco- Retro fitting of old buildings .Simon knows an architect who is an expert .Could share a Retro fit supply chain . Simon will set up web page to share information about upgrading house to be carbon neutral. Information needed about eligibility for grants . Regen South West, DCC Kerry Hayes ,the Energy adviser for South Hams and National social enterprises The Energy Saving Trust all sources of information. Annie contact. Open Meeting to be organised as soon as possible for information dissemination about energy saving. Visit to Regen South West, Simon and Dom.</p>
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<p>Transport</p>	<p>Cycle Tracks. Plan for Staverton to Dartington Estate cycle path is moving forward . From the Deer Park path 300m needs an upgrade and 300 m new cycle track. Dartington applying for funding to lay a track . Carmen has been in touch to offer support from this group. Bob the bus. Open to collaboration and developing a Community bus service. The current twice weekly bus service to Dartington could be extended but too similar to public bus service to be used . Hitch a ride scheme. John . No other examples in other villages .7 destinations proposed including Staverton to Landscope. Signs to be kept in the bus stop and used to 'hitch a ride. Budget needed £150. Insurance covers you to give lifts when not charging. Disclaimer in bus shelter . Start with bus shelter and then distribute signs to those who use them regularly in future. Potential to engage other parishes. Simon and Carmen to contact press. Carmen will approach Parish council for funding. Or ?Jacqui Hodgson for district CC funding. Discuss colour scheme with Wendy Bloomer to aid accessibility.Could encourage use of bus back to Staverton. Needs to be branded ,have simple logo and in future car sign to indicate driver is part of the scheme? Action John to attend Parish Council 5/2/20 to demonstrate scheme.</p>
<p>Trees and Land</p>	<p>Julia. More investigation needed with local landowners to find land for tree planting and a community tree nursery. Visit to community orchard at Huxhams completed.Research Visits to Moor trees , Schumacher tree nursery and Scorrilton Down Farm to see mature trees planned. Learning from community woodland in Broadhempston Wendy Warren to write to local landowners about land for tree planting. ? possibility of using the allotments as a communal tree nursery. Carmen will take to Parish council Feb 5th. Link to the Woodland Trust to go on Staverton.org website. Annie growing nut trees. Woodland Trust speaker needed for tree group meeting Parish tree day to be arranged later in year. Next meeting tree group 29th January.</p>

Carbon Off setting	Scale of tree planting needed for carbon off setting is huge. Scheme for carbon off-setting could be to pay into the ring fenced Parish fund to fund local carbon reduction schemes locally to off set carbon emissions. Simon will provide a Visual representation of how much carbon produced on several regular flight routes. Also can be offset can on an insulation project.
Wildflower planting	Malcolm. Decline in insects and wildflower population nationally. Proposal to plant grass verges with Wildflowers .Carmen to liaise with parish council. contact Jo from West water.

AOB.

- Sustainable South Brent visit to be arranged. Simon, Julia, John and Dom would like to visit. SSB Climate Emergency Day 18th April . Gather ideas from their website.
- Further energy audit. **Please update your data for 2019.**
- Each group to update Simon with info for the website.
- Totnes Share shed. Mobile sites already sorted but will consider Staverton in future. Consider local share shed.

Next meeting: 24th February 2020 7pm, location TBC (Live & Let Live if possible again).