

ECC Meeting 20.05.2021  
Minutes- FINAL Web

Attendees 19.30 Via Zoom	JM (Chair)	
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Welcome New Members- None

There is an open invitation for all stakeholders to write features for the Guildford Dragon on their projects and what is occurring, why and what the benefits are. These can be ongoing reviews and sharing of information. 200 words max and submit to Chris Dick for consideration and publication. Verges Projects is being written up currently.

A review of Projects –

		Participa nts
Recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• hoping to launch the search tool on the BRA website in June as I've just done an article about it for the BRA newsletter which comes out next month. Will cover not only Terracycle collections but also MVDC council collections. I can't ask for GBC info to be added but maybe you could do a deal with BRA to use the same format.</li> <li>• I have also updated the Terracycle spreadsheet and Word document that are currently on the EPC and EFFRA websites, so we can get them updated when I get back.</li> <li>• Two important government consultations ongoing  <a href="https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/consistency-in-household-and-business-recycling/">https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/consistency-in-household-and-business-recycling/</a> 4th July deadline  <a href="https://consult.defra.gov.uk/extended-producer-responsibility/extended-producer-responsibility-for-packaging/">https://consult.defra.gov.uk/extended-producer-responsibility/extended-producer-responsibility-for-packaging/</a> 4th June deadline</li> <li>• Nice articles in Which  <a href="https://www.which.co.uk/news/2021/04/refillable-plastic-bottles-how-eco-friendly-are-they/">https://www.which.co.uk/news/2021/04/refillable-plastic-bottles-how-eco-friendly-are-they/</a> and <a href="https://www.which.co.uk/reviews/shopping-sustainably/article/what-are-supermarkets-doing-about-plastic-ahzAC2s22tXv">https://www.which.co.uk/reviews/shopping-sustainably/article/what-are-supermarkets-doing-about-plastic-ahzAC2s22tXv</a></li> </ul>	
Cycle Paths	Attended Taylor Wimpy Cycle path Zoom meeting . Proposals enclosed and letter to be sent with feedback by 25 <sup>th</sup> May, copy to be shared	
Grass Verges	<p>Communication on-going with SCC on areas identified to promote wilder flower growth and less mowing to encourage more insect life. Blue heart sign posts to go up over the next few weeks. Summary of initiative to be promoted on EPC website to inform residents of what and why and how</p> <p>How to get access to wilder flower planting on verges and how to promote more grassy areas to be replanted with wild flowers</p>	
Biodiversity	Garden wildlife survey is almost complete and we are planning to launch it around the time of Bookham/Effingham open gardens i.e., end of June.	

	<p>We'll be meeting in the next week or so to finalise things. It is in consultation with Surrey WT.</p> <p>Also, through SWT's empowering communities project, we've been offered 5 free places on a wildflower identification course on 15/6. I know two places are taken, but if anyone else is interested, get in touch with me</p> <p>Which has a good article on bees too  <a href="https://www.which.co.uk/reviews/gardening-for-wildlife/article/gardening-for-bees-aZiIE7U7SCnW?utm_medium=Email&amp;utm_source=ExactTarget&amp;utm_campaign=4069150-c_sus_em_160521">https://www.which.co.uk/reviews/gardening-for-wildlife/article/gardening-for-bees-aZiIE7U7SCnW?utm_medium=Email&amp;utm_source=ExactTarget&amp;utm_campaign=4069150-c_sus_em_160521</a></p> <p>JB offer a wild flower walk across the golf course later in spring/summer Covid permitting. Will suggest dates in due course- all welcome</p> <p>Date for your diary this week  <a href="https://www.surreywildlifetrust.org/events/2021-05-19-online-talk-greening-your-street">https://www.surreywildlifetrust.org/events/2021-05-19-online-talk-greening-your-street</a> Kirsty Porter of SWT, one of the speakers, is one of my extremely enthusiastic Bookham Blue Hearters and responsible for about 20 hearts up/ about to go up in Childs Hall Road in Bookham! I've been briefing her about the projects we're running in Bookham and Effingham and she will be spreading the love! She's also aware of the work Claire C has been doing with our biodiversity team.</p>	
Pond	BM has come forward to lead this project, no updates Toad lanes	

Survey	Survey launched on EFFRA and EPC websites for residents to complete. 38 respondents received to date.	
Tree Planting	<p>Martin Suttle in discussions with St Lawrence school to plan Elm trees in school field.</p> <p>5 new Hawthorne Trees selected to be planted on Effingham Common in consultation with all stakeholders. Proposals submitted</p> <p>Proposal to plant a mixed variant hedge around the Effingham Cricket Pitch is ongoing with all stakeholder</p> <p>Publish Surrey Map of Trees planted on EPC website</p>	

Next meeting TBC

JM.  
20.05.21

Ideas previously captured- UPDATED	Comment
1. Can we use the land in the village and green spaces to better use? 2. Introduce lowland grasses to scrub areas - cut end of season 3. Identify places to plant more trees- Can the Effingham Gold Club help/assist.	Biodiversity  Project underway Locations identified, but rejected
4. Update TNP to incorporate more sustainable building methods and sustainable living • Encourage developers to plant bushes not wooden fences • Tree protection initiatives	LH to update in 2021
5. Promote more practical actions by residents who can apply for a Community Fund grant	Discuss further in EPC meetings
6. Plastic Free concept	TJ to assess in Recycling Project
7. Water filling tap in village	TJ to assess in Recycling Project
8. Retro Fitting of homes by 2050 to be carbon neutral and energy efficient	AP updated that there is £2b in funds available to be spent by march 31 <sup>st</sup> 2021
9. Reactivate contingency planning management and assessment	AP
10. Road Flooding in Village	JM - Complete
11. Use the time to form alliances with other councils to talk with a louder voice to apply greater pressure on local MPs	JM to join with WE Horsley, Ripley and Shalford PC for sharing and updates
Ideas captured at meeting on 24.09.2020	
12. Expand and develop cycle paths in village	Effingham Common Rd added to J lles projects. ME to expand with JI
13. More car sharing to train station	
14. School Mini busses to be carbon neutral	
15. How to reduce and slow down traffic in village	
16. Promote more cycle racks at KGV	
17. More enhanced Recycling facilities in Village	TJ
18. How to conserve and use less water	
19. Biodiversity in the Village	HG
20. Conduct a census /questionnaire via Roundabout magazine on capturing current housing energy rating, use of solar panels, green energy consumption	Survey Project
21. Look to create a collective for those that want to improve their insulation or to become more energy efficient in their homes to the go to market for solution	
22. Conduct a review of energy consumption via energy providers to set a benchmark	Survey Project