

## **Notes of Meeting 28 June 2022**

### **Environment and Climate Crisis Action Group (ECCAG)**

Present: Nigel Chatterjee (NC), Trudy Reynolds (TR), Pat Smith (PS).

Both PS and TR expressed their pleasure in NC remaining part of the group despite no longer being on the Parish Council.

### **Diggers and Doers Up-date**

TR said that the next planned session was at Carrickowel Point on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July. So far, only a couple of people were able to attend. PS said she would post it on Facebook. TR said that in view of the parking situation at Carrickowel she had not circulated it too widely but it was agreed that it should go on Facebook with her contact details if anyone had concerns.

\* **Action Point:** TR to send D&D poster to PS

### **Local initiatives**

PS and NC praised the local cafe at London Apprentice for selling local products and was also a refill store. NC said you could also buy refill milk in Charlestown. TR also said she had seen details of a Repair Cafe being run in Tregrehan. PS said there was a similar one in Trethurgy.

It was agreed that it would be useful to have an index of nearby enterprises that enabled residents to refill/repair etc and to generally reduce their carbon footprint. TR suggested a list could be put on the PC website as some facilities were already advertised on parish noticeboards.

\* **Action Point:** TR to ask the PC for their approval. If obtained the group would compile a list restricting it to this and adjoining parishes at present.

### **Theme for Next Poster(s)**

PS had sent some suggestions prior to the meeting. It was agreed that a "hidden plastics" poster would be created. NC said he could do some of the artwork. TR suggested a "summer sunshine" poster stating the problems with the overheating of the planet. NC and PS said it should be kept to a more local level. A poster on the issues of clothing/mass production/resources was also discussed for a later time.

\* **Action Point:** TR to work on a "summer sunshine" themed poster for July and NC to work on a "hidden plastics" poster for August.

### **What can you Council Do?**

It was agreed that many of the actions were already happening. One action highlighted was "Become a "dark sky town" and turn off street lights after 12pm". PS commented on the amount of lighting around the harbour which remained on all night. These were "decorative" lighting rather than "H&S type" lighting. It served no purpose, wasted energy and was a cost to whoever the bill payer was. It was agreed that the matter would be raised with the PC and James Mustoe.

\* **Action Point:** TR to raise issue accordingly

### **AOB**

TR raised concerns about the veteran sweet chestnut tree and a large oak tree between the Church Road Playing Fields and the potential building site at the end of Church Road. Whilst the developers were aware of the need to safeguard the trees, if planning permission was not obtained and the site sold on there was nothing in place to protect the trees if new owners were unsympathetic. It was agreed that a TPO would be desirable as the trees could be at risk.

\* **Action Point:** TR to ask the PC to apply for a TPO on the trees.