

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



CCWP Meeting - Actions and notes 5th April 2022

Present

Cllrs.Kiera Bentley, Lucy Martin, Liz Swallow, Jane Boulton

In attendance

Sally Thurston, Town Clerk

Sarah Johnson, Facilities Officer

1. Apologies

Cllr Castle, Cllr Leniec

2. Review of previous notes: Tuesday 15th February (attached)

3. Review of actions taken so far and actions going forward

a) Co Wheels – actions outstanding

- Visit to Henley deemed unnecessary as all data online
- Consult TBC
- GW to contact Tesco re-using their bays

b) Vale Grant

Applications are open.

Wilderness has been informed about these funds.

c) Tree and wildflower planting

ST met with Vale to look at suitable parcels of land where planting could take place. LS

suggested another project to plant bulbs in all appropriate areas, eg Town Park

LS to meet with officers and D/Cllrs once land check by Vale undertaken

4. Plastic Free Community

To be agreed at Full Council

LS to reach out to local residents and arrange meeting, community involvement needed to commit to a plastic-free Faringdon. A steering group to be set up to discourage single-use plastics. LS to contact local groups, businesses, schools etc to join with their own pledge.

5. Green Day event

LS to organise an event to be held in the Corn Exchange on Sat 1st October 2022 to coincide with Oxfordshire Big Green Week (<https://greenweekoxon.co.uk/>)

Wilderness to be involved. ST suggested possible sponsors, Lechlade Garden Centre.

Bat boxes

LS suggested that the community be encouraged to put up more bat, bird and hedgehog boxes, promote on FB, the newsletter, and investigate selling them in the info centre

BT to promote wildlife boxes at Green Day event.

6. Items for information

ST highlighted concern about internal capacity to really make a difference – projects that need action include:

- a. Solar panels
- b. Energy audit
- c. Co wheels car club

- d. Plastic free
- e. Wild planting
- f. Tree planting
- g. Promotion
- h. Advising public
- i. Organising events
- j. Checking planning applications
- k. Climate change policies for the FNP
- l. Running regular meetings
- m. Whipping up support
- n. Litter picking
- o. Recycling
- p. Sense checking what we as a council are doing
- q. The Wilderness
- r. Cleaning products
- s. Council machinery and Van

This could be a full time post and should be raised at Strategic Working Party so direction and priorities of Council are agreed

7. Next meeting 26th April 2022 1pm Jubilee Room