

Steering Group Minutes 14th October 2024

Minutes and Actions

Attendance: Cllr Karen Davies (KD), Cllr Simon Werner (SWR), Graham Owens (GO), Professor Sigrun Wagner (SWE), and Gavin Miller (GM)

Apologies: Simon Wilkes (SWS), Chris Joyce (CJ) and Martin Fry (MF)

RBWM: Heather Mynott (HM), Hayley George (HG)

Agenda

1. Roadmap for Climate Partnership

HM: Update on where we are on the road map and what needs to be done in the upcoming months.

Projects currently funded:

| Project | Community | Grant Processed |
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| Vegan Cafe and Social Media | Eco Action Hub | Y £2365 |
| Community Garden | Kerith Church | Y £2662 |
| Thrive Club | Queen Anne School | Y £3771 |
| Moving with Grief | Dr Ramsay-Jones | Y £3050 |
| Decarbonisation in Schools | Saveenergy | Y £5000 |
| Community Calm | Community Calm | Y £5000 |

Action: HM to continue to update roadmap

2. Climate Conference

What went well:

- Speakers were experts in their areas
- A lot of attendees (despite a lot of last-minute emergencies)
- Plenty of networking
- Good information exchanges
- Well-being walk – well attended
- Afternoon workshops were lauded for being good as plenty of room for discussion (and the Small-Scale Biodiversity got a lot of compliments)
- Timings worked
- There is an appetite to do more

Even better if:

- A comfort break during speakers
- It was clearer that people did need to RSVP to the event
- There was more discussion time during the morning workshops
- Clearer indication on what the workshops were on
- A clear overarching theme for the day
- Clear takeaway information at the end of each presentation/workshop

Additional ideas for next time:

- More information regarding how to apply for the CP grants
- Dragon styled event for people to bring their ideas to
- Share more great examples of good practice

All to be taken into account for the next event

3. Sustainability Strategy

Action: Steering group to share areas of interest in the six themes

4. Sprint Group Projects Update

- Business Membership: first meeting on the 24th October
 - Raise business focused event
 - Invite Cllr Helen Price
- Community Membership

Actions:

-HM to add Donna to Business Membership

-HM to email Cllr Helen Price regarding Business Membership

-HM to send information to those interested in helping set up the Community Membership

-Steering Group to send HM any other suggestions

5. Climate Challenge Fund Proposal

-All Saints Church (Dedworth) Greening the Church Grounds *funding agreed with an offer of support*

Filling Good – delivery service – *more information needed*

- Steering group are very enthusiastic in supporting Filling Good and about this project
- The Steering Group – in order to decide how much they want to contribute to this project would like to more about the following:
 1. Delivery vehicles (what, how many, upkeep etc)
 2. Projected amount of deliveries that are going to be taken on (and whether additional services such as container collection and other community support uses have been considered)
 3. How the ordering system will work (online, in shop etc)

Eco Action Hub – *steering group decision to not fund.*

- Feedback to be provided

Actions:

HM to outline some clearer governance regarding funding to published on the website

HM to email out feedback to all three proposals

AOB

KD, GM and HM – hold back for press release quotation related to the Climate Conference