

Greening Chiddingly Meeting
Thursday, 25 July 2023
Village Shop, Muddles Green

Notes

Attendees		
Mark Valleley (Secretary)	Peter Gunner	Mike Goss
Winnow Hardy	Helen Denning	Tina Letanka
Noel Hardy		
Apologies		
David Nash (Chair)	Sheryl Rennison (Treasurer)	Gail Giles
Sally Ashby	Cat Wood-Evans	Sue McHale

Item	Action
1. Notes of previous meeting	
1.1 Actions carried forward from last meeting were reviewed. 1.1.1 Sheryl to submit text for 'Think about where you invest' page for website. Ongoing. 1.1.2 Sally to write text for Future Farming section of Website. Ongoing.	SR SA
2. School colouring competition update	
2.1 Callista Giles has agreed to design the Greening Chiddingly logo using colouring competition entries as inspiration. 2.2 Plan is to develop 2-3 rough ideas for discussion at next meeting in August. Budget £150. 2.3 Cat to organise display of all entries on art wall in village shop in August.	CWE
2. Green weekend – washup following event	
2.1 Went well overall, although weather may have dampened turnout. 2.2 £44 income from stalls. 2.3 Eco-house tour was a success with two groups of six to ten guided to eco-house at 11am and 12pm. 2.4 Helen's craft stall well received. If to do it again would like to do eco-printing, but this involves boiling water so would need to be carefully supervised. 2.5 Simone's spinning wheel at craft stall generated a lot of interest. 2.6 Travelling Future Roadshow well received.	

2.7 Shop takings were up. People wanting to use loo in shop. Need to ask Tony Penrose to open loo at rear of buildings.	
2.8 If to run again next year will need to attract more stall holders.	
3. Tour de Chiddingly 2023	
3.1 Mark to meet Mike and Will Rennison on Thursday 27 July to plan the event, which will take place on Saturday 16 September.	
4. Future Farming Update	
4.1 Helen gave an update on the Future Farming Initiative. Individual applications for Sussex Lund Funding under a Future Farming Banner to be pursued. One big application on behalf of multiple applicants would not meet criteria. Individual applications for up to £15k each.	
4.2 Range of different types of projects being considered including habitat creation, rewilding, flower meadow creation, pond creation, flood management, climate sequestration. Range of topics, landowners to submit individual bids.	
4.3 High Weald AONB administer Fund. Christine from High Weald AONB had undertaken site visits in early June to several farmers to discuss content of potential bids.	
4.4 Sussex Lund Fund deadline 3 October 2023 with a decision by December 2023.	
4.5 Sally preparing overall unifying Vision for Future Farming initiative.	SA
4.6 Further meeting of Future Farming Group to be arranged by Sally. Date to be determined.	SA
4.7 Dave had met with Deputy Head at Primary School to investigate possibility of bid based on school activities. Very keen to develop bid. Could build on existing activities on school site. Pond improvements, wildflower meadow, forest improvements.	
4.8 Mark to contact Christine at High Weald AONB about developing school bid.	MV

5. A.O.B.	
5.1 Helen had been in touch with local bee-keeping group who were going to install hives on her land – item for further discussion at future meeting about other villagers hosting hives.	
5.2 Tina explained that she would not be available for the next meeting but would liaise with Gail about opening shop as Mike also on holiday.	TL
5.3 Date and time of next meeting: 19.30, Thursday 24 August 2023 – Village Shop, Muddles Green	