

**Greening Chiddingly Meeting
Thursday 27 June 2024
Village Shop, Muddles Green**

Notes

Attendees

David Nash (Chair) Tina Letanka Helen Denning

Mark Valleley (Secretary) Sue McHale Noel Hardy

Sally Ashby

Apologies

Tony Penrose Gail Giles Mike Goss

Peter Gunner Sheryl Rennison (Treasurer) Winnow Hardy

Item	Action
Actions from previous meeting	
<p>1. Actions from last meeting were reviewed</p> <p>1.1.1 Sheryl to submit text for 'Think about where you invest' page for website. Ongoing.</p>	SR
2. Update on Restoring Nature Project	
<p>2.1 Sally gave an update on Phase II projects for submission for potential funding from the High Weald Nature & Community Fund (formerly The Sussex Lund Fund)</p> <p>2.2 Deadline for submissions is 15 July 2024.</p> <p>2.3 List of Phase II projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hawthbush Farm • Smithlands • Hale Farm • School Biodiversity Garden • Jubilee Field Pond reset project - Parish Council • Community Orchard wetland project – Parish Council • Project management, public engagement, community surveying <p>2.4 Jubilee field pond reset project to include input from The Conservation Volunteers. Part of project will include training for community members on how to maintain pond area. Project to also include time allocation for development of management plan for the pond area.</p>	

<p>2.5 Meeting to review progress to date and discuss potential applications for 2024 took place on 29 May. Great turnout.</p> <p>2.6 Potential future activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open farm afternoon at Pokes Farm • Bird Survey (Charlie) with community engagement walk through area where survey has taken place immediately following survey <p>2.7 Initial results in from water monitoring. Water quality good with slightly elevated levels of phosphate at one site down stream of an outfall. eDNA results awaited.</p> <p>2.8 Meeting on 1 July 19.30 at the Gun Brewery Taproom to discuss Phase II applications.</p>	
3. Planning activities for the 2024 Green weekend	
<p>3.1 Green Weekend to take place on Saturday 6 July and Sunday 7 July 2024.</p> <p>3.2 Activities run both in village shop car park and also in Jubilee Field.</p> <p>3.3 Most things in place! Advertising Boards in place at key junctions and ongoing social media blitz.</p> <p>3.4 Outstanding issues were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dave to liaise with Sue about arrangements for getting chairs, tables and display board from village hall to shop car park on Friday 5 July • Dave to pick up bamboo from Noel on Friday 5 July • Mark to chase Ohm Energy to see whether not they will be having a stall 	<p>DN/SMcH</p> <p>DN</p> <p>MV</p>

Activity	Content	Actions	Responsible
Eco Craft Stall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various craft activities including eco printing 		Helen
Willow Man Workshop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating items from willow for children and adults 		Mark
Greening Chiddingly Stall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display board on current status of Restoring Nature projects 		Dave
Childrens activity stalls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Bug Hotel making</u> (In Farley's Car Park) • <u>Seed bomb making</u> 		Gail/ Sheryl
Travelling Futures Roadshow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Various stalls with eco activities and information including energy advice 	Mark to liaise with organisers.	Mark
OHM Energy Stall??	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solar panel installer 	Mark to confirm that they are having a stall	Mark
So Wild	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wildflower seed provider 		Gail

Guided Nature Walk – Rewilding Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guided wildflower walk in Jubilee Field and Rewilding Area 		Gail
Local Producers market (7 July)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the Gun Brewery as part of regular Sunday food market 	Dave liaising with Harvey the bar manager at Gun Brewery	Dave

4. Planning for other events		
<p>4.1 School Colouring Competition – Mark attended school assembly to give feedback on last year’s competition and launch new competition to design image for inclusion in Tour De Chiddingly 2024 advertising. Closing date for entries Friday 27 June. Need to agree judging arrangements.</p> <p>4.2 Church Fete – Decision not to have a stall at Church Fete on 20 July. Mark to email Rose to confirm this.</p> <p>4.3 East Hoathly Preservation Society – Talk on Greening Chiddingly on Friday 11 October 2024.</p> <p>4.4 Possible screening of Nature related films at Village Hall – “Six Inches of Soil” or “Wilding”.</p> <p>4.5 Possible “Hearing from the Elders” event. Identify long-term village residents to share their experience of living and growing up in the area and their experiences with nature. Aim to inspire children and convey message that wildlife was more abundant in the past, so this is what we should be striving to return to.</p>	<p>MV</p> <p>MV</p> <p>GG SA</p> <p>SA</p>	
5. A.O.B.		
5.1 Date and time of next meeting: 19.30, Tuesday 16 July 2024 – Village Shop, Muddles Green.		

2024 Meeting Dates: Tues 13 August 2024 (revised date), Tues 24 September 2024, Thurs 24 October 2024, Tues 26 November 2024.