



## **Minutes of the GHGW meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00 p.m. at The Methodist Church.**

**Present:** John Ambrose (JA), Ed Basham (EB), Jo Hazlewood (JH), Simon Hooton (SH), Gerald Laws (GL), Matthew Shenton (MS), Kath Smith (KS), Suzanne Steer (SS), Brian Whales (BW)

Apologies were received from Mel Holmes.

1. **Matters/Actions** arising from the previous meetings not included in Agenda:  
None
2. **Participation in Pre-School Harvest Festival event at the village hall on 27<sup>th</sup> September:** 10 – 2 p.m. SH explained the proposals based around Hedgehogs and Food as the two key themes; SH has created a treasure hunt which is a board of 91 squares, people will choose where the hedgehog is – the nearest person to the hedgehog at the end will win a small prize. There is also a hedgehog snout game where participants will try and pick up sweets (as hedgehog food) and put them in a pot. For the food activities, SH will re-create the carbon footprint quiz and also a true or false game: participants can take part individually, or against others. They will collect curtain rings for each right answer – winner gets an apple!. JH will get a float together. All profits will go to Pre-School. It was agreed to keep entrance fees for games reasonable – i.e. 50p. JH will feed back to pre-school about what we are doing. Unfortunately, only MS and SH are available on the day now – any additional help for half an hour or so would be welcomed.
3. **Attendance at the presentation ceremony on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 4.30 p.m. onwards at Suffolk Food Museum at Stowmarket:** JA and MH, or if MH was unable to go, SH will replace her. As this is to be kept secret until after the event on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, a note will be put in the Parish Papers, as it will not be delivered to the public until after the presentation..
4. **Beach Clean as part of the Great British Beach Clean 19<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> Sept:** Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September morning 10 a.m. at Holbrook Creek (high tide 16.15 p.m.). Bring own gloves, JH will bring black sacks – advertise on bike and on facebook – open to all. JH will see if we can register with the Great British Beach Clean and, if so, if there is anything need to do (SH mentioned that recording each bit of rubbish may be a requirement)

5. **Terms of reference:** to review/revise the GHGW terms of reference: JH has circulated a version incorporating many of Mel's suggestions. It was agreed to adopt these and if any changes are needed, they can be reviewed again.
6. **Action Plan:** to consider an action plan for the forthcoming year – this was deferred to the next meeting
7. **Community Events from Suffolk Climate Action Team:** Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November (Kesgrave), Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November (Bungay): booking first come first served: JH will send a reminder out to see if transport can be shared to either event.
8. **Thermal Imaging Camera:** HPC has been asked if we would like to participate in this. We participated two years running but not last year. It would need volunteers to use the camera. To get the best readings it is best to do it at dusk. Following a discussion, it was agreed that JH will request the camera – EB and MS volunteered to carry out some surveys. A note will go in the Parish Papers asking people to get into touch if they would like their house included in the surveys.
9. **Parish Papers:** JH to add a note about thermal imaging and a brief note about the award. JA to add something to his Chairman's article about cutting back hedges.
10. **Updates (if any) on the following:**
  - Eco Church: - GL the side wall of the Chapel has been renovated and there will be a small garden.
  - EV Charging Point: JA reported this is ongoing with the Village Hall Committee
  - Annual Survey: Andrew King is collating surveys, JH to follow up.
  - Storytelling for a Changing Planet: no further update.
  - Peninsula Green Network event: not yet been discussed with the Alliance
11. **Any other business/ideas:** JA gave a brief report about his meeting with Richard Parmee (RP) from Babergh DC and RP has agreed to dig out all the brambles and Alexander at the Hapenny Field stumpery site and will take down the ash tree but leave parts of it there as a refuge and will plant some native plants. There is already a pear tree which is being watered by a resident. Hopefully over time the wild flowers will suppress the grass. JA and RP also looked at the Reade Field and RP liked the long grass and suggested we put some seeds, shrubs etc. He has suggested crocuses and snowdrops. Hopefully, we could get some more trees and get residents involved in watering (a good soak every few days is recommended). The PC has been donated £100 towards bulbs.  
**KS** volunteered to help with planting bulbs etc.  
**JH** needs to chase water testing results

**JA** mentioned the Village Archive Day on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall. **SS** mentioned that Fran had been donated all of Marion Godley's papers and they may start to be catalogued at the event.

**EB** can store the bike over winter.

**12. Next Meeting: 7.00 p.m. Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November at the Methodist Church**