Zero Waste Meeting (Hub) 27th June 2023 Draft minutes

Present: Rick Battarbee (Chair), Jan Hindle, Nicky Hopwood, Ian Benson, Rachael Sharples, Rachel Brittain, Malcolm Secrett (Notes)

1. Apologies: John Shaw, David Johnston

2. Matters arising and actions from last meeting (2nd May)

- Apologies to Rachael S and Rachel B for their first name spellings being wrong in the notes. Now corrected.
- The minutes were otherwise agreed.

3. Environment Weekend debrief

Our overall view was that the weekend was a great success, from organisation through to content and implementation. There was some discussion about whether we should do it again or perhaps hook individual aspects of the AEGs objectives into other events, for example the gala. This general principle was agreed. RWB said that the steering committee would be discussing all of this at its next meeting.

4. CAA matters

a. PC bins and butts update

The PC have agreed to continue the scheme and fund it with £2,500 during 2024.

b. Zero Waste objectives

RWB will circulate the objectives contained in the CAA minutes for zero waste, comprising the recycling of more household waste; reducing both raw and cooked food waste; reducing the use of plastic and eliminating single use plastic.

c. Short presentations on Zero Waste objectives

Short presentations which can be used at various village events were discussed, with RWB proposing -

- Household waste (IB and DJ)
- Use of wormeries and bokashi bins **RWB** will talk to Briony Holdsworth
- Reducing food waste **RWB** will talk to Pam Morgan about this.
- Reducing the use of plastic e.g. refills and ethical sources for products (NH)

d. Climate Action Questionnaire

- The questionnaire was approved by the CAA.
- **MS** will add 'Fly less' to the options in Q4 and add the ACS and PC logos to the online form and printed versions.
- **IB** will draft a focused zero waste version of the questionnaire.

5. Refill pop-up

- JH circulated a copy of the leaflet used at the Environment Weekend.
- Arrangements to have a refill pop-up stall at Mount Hermon on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 10:00 11:30 are almost finalized.
- Jackie Olive has kindly offered to organise the volunteers' rota.

6. Jumble Trail 2023 (24th September)

- Due to personal commitments NH is now unable to take the overall lead, **RB** and **RWB** will put it together.
- DJ will manage registration of participants.
- MS will look after mapping of the participants' locations.
- **RWB** will approach Henry Makin about the design of promotional leaflets.
- **RWB** will look after promotion on social media.
- JH will organize the information point.
- **RB** will organize the Scout Hut hub, and enquire about the provision of refreshments.
- **RWB** and **Gill Battarbee** will organise the hub outside Plan-it Earth.
- **RWB** will check the possibility of a hub in North Street, noting that there was discussion about the effectiveness of locations away from Main Street.

7. Blister pack recycling

RB reported that the wheelie bin for storing blister packs has arrived. However, Superdrug to whom the blister packs were being taken for recycling have now decided not to accept them in bulk. **RB** is exploring alternatives for bulk recycling.

8. Litter picking

RWB reported that the PC has agreed to act on our recommendations.

9. School update

RWB reported that activity with the school has not yet returned to the level prior to the arrival of the new head teacher, but that relationships are very good and building.

10. **AOB** None arising

11. Date of next meeting

Monday 7th August 18:00 The Hub