

Frampton Cotterell Parish Council



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An ONLINE DISCUSSION MEETING of the CLIMATE & NATURE GROUP was held on WEDNESDAY 9th February at 6.00 pm and was attended by the following:

Chairman: Cllr D Goodwin

Parish Councillors: Cllr L Williams, Cllr D Hockey, Cllr P Hockey, Cllr J Selman.

Non-voting member: D. Hanks

In Attendance: 4 members of the public

Climate & Nature Officer - Minute Taker: Daisy Finniear

ITEM	MINUTE	RECCOMENDATION/ACTION
1)	APOLOGIES	
	Cllr T Clark.	
2)	INTRODUCTION TO CITY TO SEA REFILLABLE CUP SCHEME	
	<p>City to Sea representative introduced the refillable cup scheme for community events to encourage people to use less single use plastic. City to Sea has partnered with Stack-Cup who offer Pint, half pints and flutes are available and half pints can be turned into coffee cups with lids:</p> <p>Stack-cup say most events hire now and the model is 15p to rent and wash a cup. Plus 40p if the cup is not returned plus VAT. The recommendation is that events charge attendees £1 for their first cup which covers these costs. Each time they go to the bar they get a fresh cup, as long as they return one. Stack-cup recommend that any profits made from the £1 levy / non-refundable deposit is given to City to Sea (or your chosen charity).</p> <p>Deposits vs levys Stack-cup work with a levy (non-refundable £1) instead of a deposit. This removes the need for stations where people are holding cash (£1 coins) and or people asking for refunds clogs up bars. They have found that as long as</p>	<p>Action to ensure that Frampton Festival and the Beesmoor Jubilee Celebrations people are aware of the refillable cup scheme via the events committee.</p> <p>Action to discuss with Comms Officer the idea of having an area on the website that contains info and links to sustainable providers.</p>

	<p>the messaging is clear people are happy to pay £1 especially if they know that no-one makes any money.</p> <p>Managing the system</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Having people (volunteers) with collection points in key locations to ask people for the cups back 2. Ensuring the cups are returned and are stacked back into the crates 3. Ensuring crates are returned (there is a 20% deposit on these) 4. Doing a reconciliation of cups and boxes arriving on site and leaving so you can quantify the numbers being quoted by the hire company. <p>Washing facility</p> <p>Washing of cups can be done in collaboration with local pubs, sports clubs or community centres. Also, washing facilities are available in the form of a shipping container. This would need input to make it work, Frampton may be too small but there may be a demand for one in South Glos.</p> <p>Cllr Selman raised that local pubs, sports clubs and traders could be encouraged to participate in the scheme.</p>	
3)	PLASTIC FREE FRAMPTON UPDATE	
	<p>Nature Officer attended a Plastic Free Frampton meeting 9th February 2022. The plastic free group recommended the Council consider trialling a PPE recycling box from REWORKED. This allows residents to drop off PPE recycling in the box at the Brockeridge Centre, which is collected when full by REWORKED. Costs range from £50-£75 per box.</p> <p>A member of the public recommended that local NHS and health care services should be contacted to investigate if they have PPE recycling schemes available to them.</p>	<p>Recommendation to purchase an 80L PPE recycling box from REWORKED at a cost of £50 to trial the scheme at the Brockeridge Centre.</p>
4)	BIOBLITZ/NATURE FESTIVAL	
	<p>Nature Officer explained the idea behind Bioblitz species recording sessions and the potential to tie this in with a Nature Festival.</p> <p>Cllr Selman suggested that arts and music could be included in the festival to celebrate nature. Stalls promoting sustainable food should be considered. Plastic Free Frampton should be involved.</p> <p>Cllr P Hockey raised that the timescales to organise a nature festival for June would be too tight.</p>	<p>Recommendation to arrange quarterly seasonal Bioblitz events with guided nature walks. Nature Officer to work with D.Hanks and the Frampton Nature Group to arrange.</p> <p>Action to investigate Climate & Nature drop in afternoon at the Brockeridge centre to gather, discuss and disseminate ideas for BioBlitz events and a possible</p>

	<p>D. Hanks raised that this event could be a collaboration with local organisation.</p> <p>A member of the public highlighted that a focus group should be considered to organise a nature festival.</p> <p>Cllr D Goodwin suggested a seasonal Bioblitz to capture different aspects of nature throughout the year, including guided nature walks.</p>	<p>Nature Festival, starting small and expanding on ideas.</p>
5)	HEDGEROW MANAGEMENT AT MILL LANE	
	<p>It was raised that the Mill Lane entrance hedgerow needs to be better managed for biodiversity, being cut back less frequently and less severely.</p> <p>Cllr D Hockey raised that when an information board is updated and the Centenary Field, a changeable noticeboard should be included to update users of the field on latest news, e.g. hedgerow management.</p> <p>Cllr L Williams raised that hedge laying should be investigated for nature.</p>	<p>Action for Nature Officer to work with Cllr J Selman to create a hedgerow plan for Mill Lane entrance and to obtain a quote from the woodland contractor to add these works to the existing management plan.</p> <p>Action for Nature Officer to investigate benefits of hedge laying and seek costs for Centenary Field.</p>
6)	JUBILEE ALLOTMENT ENHANCMENTS FROM FRAMPTON NATURE GROUP	
	<p>D. Hanks summarised the plans that the nature group has for Jubilee allotments, including hedgerow planting, pond creation and habitat creation. Plans were submitted to Frampton Parish Council for grant funding. Allotment holders have been in discussion with the nature group regarding these plans.</p> <p>Finance & Governance committee did not accept the grant applications and requested it to be reviewed from a Climate & Nature perspective.</p> <p>Nature Officer raised that the lease agreement does not state that trees and habitats cannot be installed. The allotment agreements do state that trees or fruit bushes need permission from Council before planting. Ongoing management and costs involved in removing habitats should be considered if required at the end of the lease. Landowners are being contacted by Clerk.</p> <p>Cllr D Hockey raised that consideration should be given to costs as there is only 7 years left on the land lease.</p> <p>Cllr L Williams raised that the plan should be approved as the benefits over 7 years will be worth it.</p>	<p>Action for the clerk to prioritise contacting the owners of Jubilee allotments to ensure they are happy with the enhancement proposals of the Frampton Cotterell Nature Group.</p> <p>Recommendation that Finance & Governance committee accept the grant application from Frampton Cotterell Nature group subject to land owners permission.</p> <p>Recommendation that Full Council give permission to Frampton Cotterell Nature group to plant three apple trees donated by South Glos Council at Jubilee allotments.</p>
7)	REFILL STATION INSTALLATION	
	<p>Nature Officer summarised plans to install a water bottle refill station at Beesmoor Road in time to unveil at the Jubilee weekend. Earmarked funds are available for three water refill stations. It was also raised that the events</p>	<p>Action to communicate with the events committee that free water bottles are not necessary for the Jubilee event and people should be</p>

	<p>committee have considered giving out free water bottles for the Jubilee instead of mugs to tie in with Refill Frampton Cotterell.</p> <p>Cllr P Hockey raised that Beesmoor Committee may be unable to clean the fountain regularly and another option for cleaning to be investigated.</p> <p>Concerns were raised over supplying plastic water bottles and the environmental impact of this if people litter the bottles if not required. Cllr J Selman raised that is the event is a small family event, people could bring their own bottles.</p>	<p>encouraged to bring their own. To leave the final decision to the events committee.</p> <p>Recommendation to install water refill station (bottle only) in time for the Jubilee at Beesmoor Road, subject to a suitable cleaning regime.</p>
8)	BEACON LIGHTING FOR QUEENS JUBILEE	
	<p>Cllr J Selman summarised that the Scouts plan to light the beacon at the Centenary Field for the Jubilee weekend. Risks for fire and damage to the longer grassland areas must be considered to mitigate damage to wildlife.</p>	<p>Action for Nature Officer to check the Centenary Field management plan for potential areas for concern and to liaise with the Events Committee and Scouts on risk assessments and mitigation plans when lighting the beacon.</p>
9)	POND AT CENTENARY FIELD	
	<p>Nature Officer summarised the history of investigations on installing a pond at the Centenary Field and considerations.</p> <p>Cllr D Hockey raised that the pond should be a suitable size to allow for pond dipping from school children.</p> <p>Cllr J Selman raised the need for fencing and the potential for a scrape area instead of a pond.</p> <p>A member of the public raised that a systemised approach and stakeholder engagement are key in this project.</p> <p>D.Hanks raised that installing a pond is the single best action to take for biodiversity and you could install one for dogs and one for wildlife.</p> <p>A member of the public raised that a pond would need to be at least 2 foot deep and be fenced off.</p>	<p>Action for Nature Officer to contact Churchdown Parish Council to discuss dog disturbance prevention measures.</p> <p>Action for Nature Officer to obtain a quote from Silverback ecologist to assess the suitability of the Centenary Field for a pond and to recommend a suitable location.</p>
10)	CITIZEN SCIENCE CAMPAIGNS WITH FRAMPTON NATURE GROUP	
	<p>D Hanks summarised the aims of Frampton Nature Group to survey and monitor wildlife across the parish through citizen science projects.</p> <p>Monitoring and surveying equipment should be available to parishioners, such as bat detectors and moth traps. This would tie in with BioBlitz events where the equipment could be used.</p>	<p>Recommendation to help promote citizen science nature projects run by Nature Group on Parish Council communication platforms.</p> <p>Action for D. Hanks and Nature Officer to investigate equipment required for citizen science projects and obtain 3 quotes for consideration. To recommend</p>

		suitable storage and administration of the equipment.
11)	FRAMPTON NATURE GROUP SCHOOL VISITS	
	<p>D. Hanks explained that Watermore school has eco reps in each class. The Frampton Nature Group are investigating developing the school site for nature.</p> <p>Cllr D Goodwin suggested the Youth Club could also be involved and the Parish Council could help young people and teachers to understand the grant governance system.</p> <p>Cllr Selman raised the importance of encouraging young people and praised the idea for the Parish Council to support school nature projects.</p>	Action for D. Hanks to keep the Parish Council updated on potential collaborations with the Nature Group and local schools on nature projects.
12)	TREE PLANTING DATES WITH FRAMPTON NATURE GROUP	
	Tree planting of 100 trees taking place at Centenary Field, 10am 12 th February. Bring gloves and a spade if attending.	
13)	TO NOTE RACs REPORT ON EMISSIONS FROM IDLING CARS	
	<p>Cllr J Selman summarised the RACs report on the damage car idling causes to the environment through emissions.</p> <p>https://www.rac.co.uk/drive/advice/emissions/idling/</p> <p>Winterbourne Environment Group have a campaign running to encourage people to stop leaving engines running when parked in cars.</p> <p>Cllr D Goodwin raised that the group should revisit this in July to see if the group can run a mini campaign in preparation for the next cold season where car idling increases.</p>	Recommendation to promote the issue of car idling on Council communication platforms and to contact Winterbourne Environment Group to see if they need help with their campaign.
14)	AOB/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA	
	<p>Cllr J Selman raised that there needs to be a Climate & Nature Committee and Council response to South Glos Council's Local Plan, which has contradictions for nature preservation. Only 6 weeks from the date of this meeting to response.</p> <p>Cllr J Selman raised that the community assets consultation should be prioritised.</p>	<p>Recommendation for the Parish Council to respond to the South Glos Local Plan phase 2 and consider the implications for Frampton Cotterell in terms of climate and nature. Cllr J Selman to present key concerns to Full Council and the Climate & Nature Committee and recommend a response from both.</p> <p>Action for Nature Officer and Communications Officer to</p>

		prioritise public consultation on Community Asset land applications.
15)	DATE OF NEXT MEETING	
	In person committee meeting: 9 th March. 6:30pm preferred. Online zoom meeting: 13 th April 6pm.	Action for Nature Officer to discuss with the Clerk if the committee meetings could be changed from 6pm to 6:30pm.

Meeting end: 20:01.