



Ecochat

Minutes of the meeting held at 11am on Wednesday 2nd May 2018 at Greenlink, Malvern

Attendance: Robin, John, Ian, Seonaid, Dinah, Helen, Julian, Ginny

Apologies: Philly

Tourist Information Window

Booked for a week from 11th June

Physical examples eg biodegradable straws, reusable nappies, water bottle, shopping bag, soap

Posters and Leaflets

Design discussed

Same design for A4 posters and A5 leaflets

Message is to cut down on single use plastic.

- Use fewer wet wipes
- Give link to Field of Our Dreams Facebook page

Actions: Ginny investigate sources of plastic-free wet wipes

Ginny contact reusable nappy service

Seonaid email local shops to ask for samples of plastic-free bags

Observations

Technology has moved on, so alternatives to plastics are more available.

There may be a case for plastic designed for many years of use.

The CO2 emissions from alternatives should be considered.

Displays

Game to sort rubbish correctly - recyclable, compostable, non-recyclable

The octopus is showerproof, about the size of a person, with detachable arms.

Different locations - outside supermarkets, fairs, schools

Actions: Collect hygienic examples of rubbish

Need lots of volunteers, working in pairs

Jo take the octopus to Ginny's

Help needed to set up the Tourist Office window on 11th June

Cost

The AONB cannot donate retrospectively and would need to know of prior engagement with the supermarkets.

Helen would be willing to donate her time.

If the wind turbine at the Fold goes ahead, Transition Malvern Hills has about £1200 in the bank.

Actions: Anything for website to Ian before late Bank Holiday

Distribute posters and flyers

Julian contact schools to ask for permission to put up the display eg for part of assembly, or when parents are collecting children

Colwall Ale House Festival 30th June - Ginny will be away, and possibly Robin

Action: Ian ask for volunteers for manning the display when some dates are known

GDPR

So far 35 people have signed up to remain on the mailing list.

AOB

Robin write about Ledbury Tesco supporting an electric bike for trials.

Date of next meeting

Extra meeting 16th May, 11am Cube Café to sort out the display including the Octopus. (Dinah late)

Ecochat, 13th June, at Greenlink, 11am

(Apologies from Ian and possibly Robin)

Topic - The display on the problems of plastic