



SUSTAINABLE COTTENHAM

Notes from the Meeting held at 19.30hrs on 30 September 2019
At 11 Margett St, Cottenham



Present: Christine Ward [chair], Catherine Burch, Terry Jackson, Peter Pilbeam, Jane Heath, Justin Hiscock
Apologies: Beth Fleetwood, Sandra Cross

		Action
1	<p>Finances</p> <p><u>Payments</u> since last meeting i/ insurance ii/ hall hire for Sunday Social [15.09] total £290.56 <u>Account balance</u> at 23.9 £1089.44 <u>Income due</u> i/ SCDC Community Chest grant £610 ii/ cash donations, Sunday Social £12 Current statement of accounts to be prepared by Catherine for future meetings</p>	CB
2	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>2.e <u>Management Committee</u>: Alana Sinclair confirmed as member 2.f <u>Plastics Sub Committee</u>: these members noted in addition - Heather Scicluna, Glynis Pilbeam, Claire Weston, Elizabeth Sharpe 7.a <u>Extinction Rebellion</u>: Sandra had confirmed an ER talk to be held at the Community Centre on 1 November, 7.30. Chris supportive of ER's awareness raising effort and has put a post on SusCott website. Agreed we ask ER to flag up SusCott's role and have our leaflets available at the event. Chris to contact Sandra. 7.b <u>Vegan Feast</u>: no progress to report. Idea potentially cld be incorporated into 'Eco Eats'.</p>	CW
3	<p>Social Cohesion / Inter-Generational Events: Cottenham Connected</p> <p>a. <u>First Sunday Social</u>, 15 Sept, successful with up to 30 seniors, 6 young and 6/8 volunteers. New volunteers Linda Morris and Ann Remnant will help at future sessions. Sessions will have different themes eg rummy, remembrance [November]. Andrea Cowley and Sarah Bellow are responsible for running the Socials, with Andrea currently doing so on a voluntary basis. SusCott's role is to support and be a vehicle for funding. b. <u>Sunday Social 10 Nov</u>: helpers on day - Peter, Jane & Chris. c. <u>CCF Cultivate Fund application</u> will seek funding for further series of Socials. Chris has a draft to discuss with Andrea and Sarah mid October. She will circulate revised draft to Committee before submission deadline 1 Nov. d. <u>Girton 55 Club</u>: Terry flagged up the 55 Club 'skillshare' approach focussed on tech sessions drawing on young people's innate skills in IT, devices, social media etc. He thought this might be brought into Sunday Socials. Suggested Andrea contact Girton 55.</p>	PP JHe CW CW ?
4	<p>Zero Carbon Communities Grant</p> <p>a. <u>Proposal</u>: Jane gave an update on three options assessed by the Working Party – a monthly Eco Event for exchange, recycling, products, info; cycling promotion centred on installation of cycle parking hoops; and an Eco Eats campaign/festival. For practical reasons the WP recommended taking forward Eco Eats – to encourage exploration of more sustainable food choices. This was endorsed. Cycle hoops, it turned out, are part of a planning agreement with Redrow housing – agreed Redrow be asked to consult SusCott on this at detailed planning stage. A big concern is to balance the scope of the Eco Eats proposal with our capacity to organise it. Jane was assigned overall coordinating role. Agreed we should look to contract out organisation of the Festival Fair - Jane is consulting Cambridge Sustainable Food. Alana to contact a food fair organiser in Bury St Edmunds. We need to look for partners/volunteers to take on organising other aspects as well. A positive response received so far from CVC and Adult Learning. There was discussion re the 'Bring & Share' feast – can this be kept optional? Further ideas to consider – produce a recipe book, link with allotments, sponsorships and donations. b. <u>Application</u>: next steps – continue contacts and research to work out practicalities; Alana & Jane to assess tasks and devise workplan; seek affirmations of support from CPC, District Councillors [Chris]. Draft application [Jane, Alana, Chris]. Justin ready to help on practical side.</p>	CW JH AS AS, JHe, CW, JHi

5	<p>Feast Parade Sunday 13 October</p> <p>Beth is prompting Scouts to adopt an 'oceans plastic threat' theme and carry SusCott banner [Chris] and 'Plastic Free Cottenham' posters [Beth or Jane] mounted on boards [Justin]. Elizabeth Sharpe and Claire Weston have links with Ladybirds and hoping for take-up of similar sea theme.</p> <p>Re help on day, Chris will try if back from holiday in time. Sound out Heather [not available] and Sandra.</p>	<p>BF, CW, JHe, JHi</p> <p>CW</p>
6	<p>Policies and Membership Guidelines</p> <p>a. <u>Policies</u>: Chris is preparing further policy statements. Alana offered to send CCF policy files to Chris as models.</p> <p>b. <u>Membership terms</u>: discussion deferred to next meeting.</p>	<p>AS, CW</p>
7	<p>Litter Pick Saturday 2 November</p> <p><u>Arrangements</u>: The British Legion Hall is booked as assembly point. Justin will distribute posters. Peter confirmed available on day, Jane can help. Cakes by Alana and Marie Claire [Hiscock]. Posters for cycle path and A6 leaflets [suggested 2-sided] for Community Centre.</p> <p><u>Publicity reach</u>: Alana suggested finding out how participants get notice of the Pick – might help streamline publicity effort in future.</p> <p><u>Bag hoops</u>: Jane put forward two options for purchase of bag hoops. Agreed to trial these by buying two of each type – cost approx £45. Catherine volunteered to do the orders.</p>	<p>CW, PP, JHi, AS, JHe</p> <p>CB</p>
8	<p>Any other business</p> <p>a. <u>Cottenham Repair Café</u>: how to keep the Repair Café running [quarterly] was discussed. Alana is already familiar with people and practicalities involved and is willing to take a lead initially to help establish an organiser/organising team. It was suggested Phil Ford might be interested – Peter to talk to him. Agreed that Alana, Justin, Peter, Chris Moller [if available] should meet, before November, to make a plan.</p> <p>b. <u>Cambs Climate Emergency</u>: following an approach received by SusCott via the PC, Stefan Haselwimmer of CCE had met with Terry and Andrew Zolnai. He had also met separately with Alana in her CCF role. Agreed to take no further action at this point.</p> <p>c. <u>Refill Scheme</u>: deferred for discussion at next meeting.</p> <p>d. <u>Rampton Sustainability event</u>: Rampton Village Hall Management Committee has invited SusCott to be represented at a 'Sustainability/Make & Mend event on 29 February 2020. No further details available. Agreed we book a table. Volunteers to help on day – Alana, Peter, Chris.</p> <p>e. <u>Recycling on the Go</u>: request from Neil Gough seeking SusCott help in developing better/brighter provision for public litter recycling – would like Cottenham to pilot a scheme. Chris and Jane to meet with Trevor Nichol, Head of Shared Waste.</p>	<p>AS, JHi, PP</p> <p>JHe AS PP CW</p> <p>CW, JHe</p>
	<p>Date of next meeting: 19.30hrs on Monday 25 November at 11 Margett Street.</p>	<p>All</p>

Jane Heath Co-Secretary 3 October 2019