

TDEG: Steering Group Meeting

Minutes



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| Date & time | Wednesday 31 st March 2021, 8pm | | ACTIONS/ NEXT STEPS |
| Chair | Claire McKenzie | | |
| Minute taker | Alice Overton | | |
| Attendees | Claire McKenzie, Lynn Crowe, Sheelagh Handy, Alice Overton, Julia Fell, Rob Mitson, Laura Saunders, Suzanne Leckie | | |
| Apologies | Sue Barber, Steve Elliott | | |
| Mins of last meeting | Approved? | Sheelagh proposed, Lynn seconded | |
| | Matters arising? | <p>It was decided to put the Bulb energy £50 referral link on TDEG website. The refund will go to Jules who will transfer it TDEG. Rob will arrange with Pete Hawkins.</p> <p>New dates for litter pick(s). Steve will fix a date and advertise it on the web site. Steve has delivered litter picking sticks. He has discussed the problem on cleaning the main road with DCC. It's a very busy road so difficult to have volunteers on.</p> | |
| | | <p>Rob</p> <p>Steve</p> | |

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| <p>Actions from last meeting (5 mins)</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vacancy for secretary – job description (Alice). Jules suggested going through the list of members and approach individuals who may be possible candidates. An email will go out to whole group to let them know that this vacancy has come up and asking if anyone is interested in supporting the group 2. TDEG whole group meeting 24th February - (Claire). Thanks to Sheelagh and Andrea, there was a good turn out (more than 50) and it was an interesting and successful meeting. The promotion worked really well. There was good feedback, people liked meeting their local representatives. Answers to unanswered questions will be sent out with a PDF to keep communications open. Six parish councillors attended (Andrea spent time personalising invitations here which proved productive). One has since been in touch with Sheelagh about potential car plug in points. 3. TDEG whole group meeting 21st April – see Item 3 (Claire) see below 4. Request to fund printing and Zoom (Lynn & Rob). A bid was successfully put in and £250 has arrived from DDDC local project fund. 5. Steering Group name – change to Support Group? (Rob). It was AGREED to change the name to the Committee. | <p>Lynn & Alice</p> |
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| <p>Agenda item 1: Committee reports (10-15 mins)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair (Lynn): Update on - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Peak District Local Plan Review: LC circulated this. Hope Valley Climate action have arranged various meetings on this, LC has attended some. Thanks to Lynn for keeping up with this. - TDEG views on planning applications. Update on three planning applications: 1. Affordable houses Fountain Sq Church, refused because of the trees. 2. Middle Farm, Wheston: TDEG expressed concern. 19th April will be the decision date on this. 3. Sherwood Rd housing scheme, 23 affordable houses. Again TDEG expressed concerns, the decision date here is 3rd May. - Mailchimp: The litter picking group has been taken off the joining page so Steve doesn't need to use it. - Successful grant bids: Thanks to Rob and Sheelagh for acquiring funds for the group. Sheelagh received funds for the Youth Forum (VAT hadn't been factored in) - Secretary (Alice): Nothing to report. • Treasurer (Rob): We have approx £500 in funds although most is allocated. See attached breakdown. Thanks to Rob | |
| <p>Agenda item 2: Project group updates (5 mins)</p> | <p>Refer to latest TDEG newsletter sent out Saturday 20th March – anything further to discuss? (Claire) People enjoyed the format, thanks to Claire for producing this.</p> | |

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| <p>Agenda item 3 (5-10 mins)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of next whole group TDEG meeting: (Claire) Wednesday 21st April 2021 at 7:45pm 'Sustainable food: how to be an ethical consumer' <p>Speakers: Ruth Strange from <i>Ethical Consumer</i> will talk about the magazine's product rating system and things we can all do to help us make more ethical choices about the food we eat and buy. Laura will talk about her seed swap and food map initiatives, and Jules will give us the latest information on her Tidza Buying for Good (BfG) project.</p> <p><i>'Sustainable food: good for the planet, our conscience and our health - and maybe our pockets too!'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should we have a zoom meeting to go through plan? Zoom meeting arranged for Claire, Jules, Laura and Suzanne – 6 April at 5pm • Promoting the meeting: will consider targeting specific people. Jules is keen not to tread on local traders toes, so suggested inviting them to the meeting. We should also contact the village allotment group - they might be interested in the seed swap. Sarah Price and Denise Dupont as local cafe owners would also be invited along with Merchants Yard, local pubs and farmers. Laura and Adam's sustainable food map details providers who are already being ethical. • Claire will design a simple poster/flyer for local shops and distribution to farmers and shops. There may be Facebook pages targeting these groups. Laura, Jules, Claire & Suzanne to plan the promotion at the Zoom meeting on 6th. • Rob and Lynn have offered use of their colour printers. • Laura confirmed she will give a brief presentation at the meeting. | <p>Claire to coordinate</p> <p>Claire</p> <p>Claire, Laura, Jules & Suzanne</p> |
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| <p>Agenda item 4 (5 mins)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next whole group meeting – When? (suggestion: 23 or 30 June?) Topic/focus? This will also be the AGM. • Frequency of meetings: stay the same, or go quarterly? (Lynn). It was thought a whole group meeting every 2 months and slotting other group meetings in-between might be too many. It was AGREED to change whole group meetings to every 3 months but to keep the next AGM, as planned, towards the end of June. | |
| <p>Agenda item 5 (10-15 mins)</p> | <p>Insurance (Lynn) It's clear that we need insurance. DDDC confirmed that it is needed. As a local group we do come under Friends of the Earth insurance cover but unfortunately it doesn't cover everything we do, some activities would be additional to their policy but could possibly be included at an extra cost.</p> <p>Lynn offered to contact FoE to check the position with litter picking, practical conservation, clothes sales etc.</p> <p>Also Zurich policy could be considered.</p> <p>There was particular concern about the litter picking group. A Risk assessment has been done here. We could tie in with FoE giving them notice of our litter pick dated. Individuals litter picking on their own should be aware they are not insured.</p> <p>Project Group leaders should be aware of the need for insurance for their activities (ie contact FoE to check whether cover is provided).</p> | <p>Lynn</p> <p>Lynn to instruct once decision has been made</p> |
| <p>Agenda item 6 (5 mins)</p> | <p>Climate Pathfinders Youth Forum update (Sheelagh). The group is finding their feet. They are a group of 12 at the moment and growing with an age range of 11-19 years. They are enthusiastic to get on with a physical project. Safeguarding policies completed. FoE have been very helpful with links to resources etc and also a donation of £50 for 2 people in the adult support group for specific training in online activity (NSPCC course).</p> <p>It was AGREED to Invite the Youth Forum to speak at the AGM. A suggested topic could be "How we'd like the world to be".</p> | <p>Sheelagh</p> |

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| <p>AOB (5 mins)</p> | <p>Recycling of pill packaging. This may already be being done by the surgery.</p> <p>County Council Elections are on May 6th (Lynn) - Individuals can put forward their questions to lobby councillors. Sheelagh has information on how to do this which could be circulated in a newsletter. Sheelagh will send a paragraph and link to Lynn for inclusion in the newsletter and on Facebook</p> <p>Update on the uptake on the Food Group (Jules). The group has been launched and there has been a small response of about 6 who have signed up. Jules expects the uptake to be slow. The first delivery has been organised with Lembas in Sheffield on 16th April (orders in by 8th April). There has been interest from non-TDEG members. All traders have been informed of the scheme but they are not interested in joining. The Food Group is currently keeping small to see how it works. Maybe it can be re-promoted later with a less wordy communication.</p> <p>The whole group meeting should be a good platform to communicate the group's ideas. It was agreed to put a link on the website before the meeting so that it can be easily referred to.</p> | <p>Could Rob investigate?</p> <p>Sheelagh & Lynn</p> <p>Jules</p> |
| <p>Suggested items for next meeting</p> | <p>Not discussed</p> | |
| <p>Chair of next meeting</p> | <p>Lynn Crowe</p> | |
| <p>Date of next meeting</p> | <p>TDEG Committee (Steering Group): Wednesday, 9th June</p> <p>AGM & whole group meeting: Wednesday, 30th June</p> <p>We need to discuss the format of the meeting, which can be done by email and arranged by a small group before we next meet. Sheelagh will discuss this at the next youth Forum meeting in 2 weeks time and report back.</p> | |
| <p>Dates of following meetings</p> | | |

Tideswell & District Environment Group
Accounts Interim Report
1 April 2020 to 31 March 2021

| General | |
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| | £ |
| Brought fwd | 69.61 |
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| <u>Income</u> | |
| Contributions | - |
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| <u>Expenditure</u> | |
| Hall Hire | - |
| Speakers' exp | (10.00) |
| Other | - |
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| Balance | <u>59.61</u> ===== |

Contributions from members

| 1 Local Project Fund 1 (Neil Buttle) | |
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| | £ |
| Brought fwd | 115.00 |
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| <u>Income</u> | |
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| <u>Expenditure</u> | |
| Ethical Consumer sub | (6.95) |
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| Balance | <u>108.05</u> ===== |

Grant application for:
General expenses

| 4 Youth Forum Zoom | |
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| | £ |
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| <u>Income</u> | |
| Buxton Lions | 239.80 |
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| <u>Expenditure</u> | |
| Zoom Year 1 Sub | (143.88) |
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| Balance | <u>95.92</u> ===== |

Grant application for:
Dedicated Zoom licence (2 year)

| 5 Local Project Fund 3 (Neil Buttle) | |
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| | £ |
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| <u>Income</u> | |
| DDDC | 250.00 |
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| <u>Expenditure</u> | |
| Seed envelopes | (14.30) |
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| Balance | <u>235.70</u> ===== |

Grant application for:
Food Group initiatives £100
TDEG Zoom licence? _____

| 6 Tidza Buying for Good Club | |
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| | £ |
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| <u>Income</u> | |
| Membership fee: | 10.00 |
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| <u>Expenditure</u> | |
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| Balance | <u>10.00</u> ===== |