Transition Town Hastings – Core Group Meeting

MINUTES – Monday 3rd February 2020 – White Rock Hotel

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| TIME | ITEM | NOTES |
| 7.30 pm  (10 mins) | WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS | Sherry, Ken, Kate, Ursula, Anna Locke, Kathy Bor, Michelle, Andrea |
| APOLOGIES | Hannah |
| **PREVIOUS MINUTES** | Approval of last minutes & matters arising |
| (40 mins) | **EVENTS** |  |
| TTH “Action” Meeting | Feedback and follow up |
| Meeting of all Groups active around sustainability in Hastings | Common Treasury project is wrapping up (meeting this Friday). RSA (Royal Society for the Arts) has also offered to run an event for the Common Treasury, but this has been put on hold, until after the Friday meeting. The remaining funds of the C.T. could be re-directed towards the Meeting of Hastings Groups / Green Hub… A case to be presented to Power to Change.  Also – see email from Chris Richards below |
| SECA Update | Meeting on 11th January – feedback from Sherry  We are now members of SECA  Andrea to forward the newsletter to Sherry, Michelle, Kathy, Anna L and Ursula |
| SOS 2019 Debrief & Next Steps | Sarah, Sherry, Ursula, Kate and Hannah to meet separately to discuss the evaluation   * Ursula to do some calling to get feedback * Sarah to write a short summary of 2019 SOS   Consensus to do it in Spring 2021  Ursula: Marina Allotments would love to have their open day as part of it. Is it an option to put together a catalogue of events anyway, without the large events of Car Free Day and Green Fair? Keep it in the “in-between” years as Community events, as a MINI SOS |
| National Lottery Climate Action Fund | Result of the first bid on 21st Jan – we didn’t’ get it.  Second round in June: if we can apply again we should be in a much stronger position |
| Green Directory | Almost ready, but there is a technical problem that needs sorting out. Then it needs to be checked before it goes live. A flyer to publicize has already been prepared  There is a lot of commonality with SOS and the “mapping”   * Should we apply for some funding to get it managed? * East Sussex Community Information Service ESCIS at the library has resources to run it. Should we ask them to take over the Green Directory as well ? SHERRY to talk to them |
| ESC Share Launch | Target reached. Work has started on the installations on school roofs.  In one academy planning permission was denied. 5 letters need to be sent to show community support   * Kate to talk to Julia about this (it’s in Julia’s Green Party ward) |
| HBC climate change strategy | Request from Maya for TTH input – decision to set up a meeting with Maya, including: Sherry, Ken, Kate, Kathy, Anna (Sherry to ask Julia). Preferred date on a Thursday am (any time up to 12.30). Andrea to email Maya back |
| Bike storage and electric bikes | Bike storage – update from Kathy: suggestion to buy a horse box (£600) and keep bikes in it around Warrior Square. This would be a private initiative, independent from the Council  Suggestion to start an electric bikes scheme, with docking stations. This could be done with funding from the council – to be discussed at the meeting with Maya  Could this be expanded to electric cars ? |
| (20 mins) | PROJECTS |  |
| Community Garden | Update on planters on the railings (South Side): Michelle got some quotes, will report next month |
| Refill | Linda Jeal suggested that she could help Hannah. Andrea to connect them |
| COMMS | Google Groups – Andrea to send a list to warn that it will be deleted, then discontinue  Regular checking of “info” email – Michelle to help |
| FINANCE | Chris to compile the annual accounts / balance. Sherry to check with Chris |
| (20 mins) | **AOB** | New correspondence address for TTH @ HVA: we now have a mailbox. They will email us when there is mail, several core team members can pick it up. £60 invoice to come (Sherry to chase the invoice) |
|  | **Upcoming Events** | Big Lunch – 7th June. Sherry to kick-start the process at the next core meeting  St Leonards Festival – Sat 11th July. Ideas on what to do welcome, to be discussed at the next core meeting.   * We could order trees now, pot them and sell them in June as a fundraiser, eg Hazel, Crab Apple, Hawthorn. Can only sell them from Kings road or the Station Garden (not from Warrior Gardens) * Ken to cut a tree of plywood to make the TTH gazebo more “tree-like” ?   COP 26 Glasgow – 9-19th Nov  UN Global Festival of Action (Bonn – 1-3rd April) |
|  | **NEXT MEETINGS** | 2nd March  6th April |
| 9.00 pm | ENDS |