

# Minutes of Coleford Environment and Climate Group

## Coleford Climate Action

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Attended by -

Libby Meyrick, Dan Hopkins, Barbara Gonzalez, Lesley Mayell, Yvonne Hawkins, Val George, Teresa Hopkins, Jane Harwood, Russ Stanley, Tony Mayell, Tom Veck, Veryan Conn, Andy Conn, Allison Still, Amber Gray, Gary Gray, Wendy Parslow, Martyn Parslow, Jane Metters, Bridgette Kossy, Eileen Smith, Alan Townsend, Melanie Moulding

Apologies: Vickie Watts,  
Chaired by Melanie Moulding

1. Name of group chosen and unanimously agreed 'Coleford Climate Action'.
  2. Charter for CCA considered. Needs to be read by everyone, will be voted on at next meeting.
  3. Decided it is too soon to consider long term aims.
  4. Achievable projects. The meeting broke up into four groups
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### Group 1

Freecycle Days – with specific focus, eg Childrens Toys. Possibly Yardsales outside houses  
Public Transport – need for weekend service

### Group 2

Freecycle Days – possibly central base, or individual houses with map available  
Litter Pick – consider support from School, better public education including posters  
Communication Plan for our activities – eg Facebook

### Group 3

Noted the different characteristics of Coleford and Wedmore  
Freecycling – expressed concern about conflict with existing jumble sales  
Solar – the community model is unlikely to succeed in Coleford, but other funding could be researched  
Quarry funding – existing experience in the Group will be invaluable  
Free water bottles  
BH School – foster relationship and what they already do, nature walks, community garden, recycling, litter,  
Inspiring not Lecturing – important to get community relationships correct eg CHCM and Facebook  
Repair Café – skills audit?

### Group 4

BH School -believed to be already on board, pavement safaris?  
Relationships – must be non-judgemental  
Warm Spaces – noted the Hub had been offered, need for better publicity and co-ordination with Dags Café

### WAY AHEAD

Group Structure – agreed that we need to be a formal body to qualify for Grant applications. Group to consider volunteers for positions.  
Participation – agreed that we needed to understand whether members intended to be Active or Passive and what skills they could bring to the table.  
Libby Meyrick kindly offered to circulate a suitable questionnaire to collate emails with job descriptors and skills of those who wish to get involved. Questionnaire noting GDPR.  
(Email circulated 21-7-23, thank you Libby)  
Dan Hopkins offered to set up a Facebook page for the CCA.

Date of next meeting, Possibly - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>. September 2023 in The Hub TBC.