

## Transition King's Cliffe



### Regular Meeting - Minutes Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022 @ 7.30pm

#### Cross Keys, West Street

Present: April Sotomayor (Chair) Kate Moss (Vice chair), Mike Henchy (Treasurer), Charles Tomalin (Secretary), Anna Stockley, Ben Coultard

Apologies: Dave Graham

#### Reports / Actions / Updates

<p><b>1. <u>Food Group</u></b></p>	
<p><u>Mini Allotments</u> Significant funds are available for improvements to the allotments. Possibilities include better/more water storage, putting in a greenhouse, removing broken shed. Anna to come up with a plan! Maybe one allotment coming free soon.</p>	<p><b>Anna</b></p>
<p><u>Community Orchard</u> No report</p>	
<p><b>2. <u>Transport Group</u></b></p>	
<p><u>Bikefix</u> Bikefix will restart on 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Mike will be away, but Kirk and Ant should be around,</p>	<p><b>Mike/Kirk/ Ant</b></p>
<p><b>3. <u>Environmental Strategy</u></b></p>	
<p><u>Strategy</u> Focussing on connections and impact to the <u>local community</u> with respect to environmental, climate, waste, biodiversity, and associated issues.</p> <p>Would be useful to collate some ideas for local people to reduce their carbon footprint. This Could be fed into a blog or similar for community information and awareness – see Communications section below,</p> <p><u>Climate Event</u> Scheduled for Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March, All hands on deck to set up from 1pm. Includes - Talks on retrofitting homes, architectural considerations, Local real-life experiences from Anna (Heat pumps and TKC), Mike (EVs, solar panels, double glazing) and others Mike to see if Grouts are happy to contribute. Anna to sort out printed 'action' sheets for notes and 'will do' lists, with TKC logo for use by attendees Tea/biscuits required</p> <p><u>Repair Café</u> Mike is involved with Oundle and Peterborough repair café initiatives. Although not up and running yet, Mike will keep TKC informed of progress.</p>	<p><b>All</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p> <p><b>Anna Mike Anna</b></p> <p><b>Kate</b></p> <p><b>Mike</b></p>

<p><u>Sustainable Living Workshop</u> After the climate event it was thought a next step could be a sustainable living event later in the year. Funds are available for speakers, materials and maybe course subsidies. April will start thinking/planning around this.</p>	<p><b>April</b></p>
<p><u>KCA</u> April has spoken with Simon Fairhall and he is supportive of bike racks, EV charging and solar panels at KCA. Charles will pick up with Dave Graham on how the Maltings Green bike rack was sourced and installed – Post meeting note, Maltings Green bikerack was circa £700, from Yoink Engineering. Yoink no longer operating. Dave reports that Warmington PC have installed simple bike racks in concrete, by benches – just of wheel supports. Need to decide on further action for TKC.</p>	<p><b>April</b></p>
<p><u>Electric Vehicles</u> Kate and April will liaise on surveying the village for off road parking and impact on EV charging opportunities.. Worth putting out a FB post on this to alert the community that any actions will need individual initiatives or pressure to be brought to bear on NCC. <b>Carried Forward</b></p>	<p><b>Kate / April</b></p>
<p><b>4. <u>Wildplaces</u></b></p>	
<p><u>Meadow Bridge (project 2022/23).</u> The public meeting identified 8 people willing to work on options for the bridge. CT has given site visits and explained the situation prior to handing over. First full meeting not yet held. No further reporting as this is being assessed outside of TKC.</p> <p><u>Other work since last meeting</u> Glade clearance and wildlife hibernaculum construction in Millennium Wood delayed due to weather! Finally finished in March (additional workparty)</p> <p><u>Work Scheduled</u> Footpath clearing between Kingsmead and Willow Walk for main March workparty. Possible ride widening in Millennium Wood in April</p> <p><u>Wildlife talk</u> CT gave a talk to the KC Gardeners Assoc in Feb. £70 received – for TKC funds</p> <p><u>Adders</u> First adders sited in KC today – 9<sup>th</sup> March. Ian Froggatt now leading the Kings Cliffe adder project, with more tracking of males planned for the spring.</p> <p><u>Rockingham Forest Vision (RFV)</u> RFV launch meeting held in December, and very positive with a lot of keen third parties. The winter walk in February was very successful with 14 people attending.</p> <p>Last 2021 <u>birdboxes</u> sold, at the KCGA talk. An additional £80 to be given to TKC funds.</p>	<p><b>Charles</b></p> <p><b>Charles</b></p>

<b>5. Finance</b>		
B/fwd balance at 20/12/2021	<b><u>£5,873</u></b>	
<u>In</u> Glyn Mould	25	
<u>Out</u> Ben - gift	58	
Debra Harper refund	25	
<u>Balance At 4/3/2022</u>	<b><u>£5,815</u></b>	
<u>From this, budgeted in/out to August 2022</u> –		
£150 cash handed to Mike at this meeting for birdboxes and KCGA talk.		
Nett budgeted in/out	<b><u>£150</u></b>	
Leaves unallocated balance of circa <u>£5,965</u> for 2022, up to August		
<b>Note:</b> it has been agreed to reserve £2000 balance, so <b><u>£3,965</u></b> is available for other projects.		
<b>6. Communications</b>		
<u>Membership Engagement</u>		
Two potential Duke if Edinburgh volunteers are available for helping with the comms. Charles will forward contact to April for discussion. May be possible to 'share' work between them.		<b>Charles / April</b>
Kate has looked into setting up a blog on the website and it appears relatively straightforward. However, it was thought that using Facebook 'topics' with hashtags might be an easier approach. E.g. #blog, #greenenergy, #growyourown, #localproduce, #wildplaces, #reducewaste, #lowcarbon, #activetravel		<b>Kate</b>
Decided not to pursue use of Olia app for food sharing, as Kings Cliffe is probably too small, and most people will share unneeded food with neighbours anyway. <b>Closed</b>		
<u>Facebook</u>		
All are encouraged to post activities to FB. Should use with pictures to publicise the allotments, bike rack installations, Pytchell orchard, etc. Post to TKC page and then share to Community.		
<u>For best effect, posts should be original (not 'shared') and relate to Kings Cliffe area directly.</u>		<b>All</b>
<u>Gazette</u>		
Charles will contact the gazette to see if TKC could part fund the paper production to get it delivered to every door again.		<b>Charles</b>
<b>7. Xmas Fair</b>		
Would be useful to create a project overview document, covering all the various things which need to be done, and by when (including stallholder commitment). Also review policies on cancellations. Work in progress. Kate will circulate the draft when complete.		<b>Kate</b>
For 2022, Kate and Ben will share the key activities – Kate handling the stallholders and publicity, Ben managing the physical staging of the event.		<b>Kate/Ben</b>

8. <b><u>Any Other Business</u></b>	
Charles gave notice of his stepping down as secretary at the autumn AGM this year. He aims to continue with coordinating Wildplaces	
<u>Next meeting date</u> 3 <sup>rd</sup> May 2022. 7.30pm at the Cross Keys	<b>All</b>

Charles Tomalin

9/3/2022