

Burwash Parish Council
Environment and Maintenance Working Group

Minutes

This is the agenda for the Environment and Maintenance Working Party meeting taking place on

Tuesday 28th June 2022 7pm

If anyone would like to include an item for a future agenda, please contact Julian Kenny at

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Attendees: Antonia, Colin, Helga, Julian

1. Apologies for Absence

Anne, Lindsay, Sylvie

2. Disclosures of Interest

None

3. Minutes from the previous meeting

The Dark Skies Lund project is moving forward in association with the High Weald

4. Emergency Plan

It was pointed out that the draft was very initial and that there was some repetition and typos, but the main aim was to get the key content decided so that we can move forward with the shape of the whole plan. It was suggested that wifi hubs and the Surgery should be included for the next draft. The issue with GDPR was raised and Emma has already raised this as a potential issue with the plan as a whole. It was suggested that we look to see what is included in the Rother Emergency Plan and ask Emma to check with other parishes at the next RALC meeting.

Once we have a plan in place, it is important to make sure that people are aware of the plan and what they should store themselves at home and what key contacts there are for Burwash. It was suggested that a final plan is sent round as part of the regular parish bulletin to all houses

It was agreed that team members would send through thoughts for the plan by email to Julian by 15th July.

He will collate the ideas and we can discuss an updated version at the July meeting.

ACTIONS: Members to send through suggestions to Julian by 15th July. Julian to ask Emma to check with Rother and RALC to compare local emergency plans.

5. Bridleway/Cycle Path

This is now being handled by the Traffic and Transport Working Group

6. Allotments

It now looks as if the potential allotment site at Swan Meadow will not happen. The group discussed ways of finding alternative sites. These included putting a post in the E -Bulletin to ask for potential sites locally and to ask the clerk to ask the people on the waiting list if they have any suggestions for sites.

An additional idea was to look at promoting a garden buddy scheme where we could put people who have large gardens in touch with people looking for an allotment. The landowner could provide some space in return for some gardening work, or similar work. The Parish Council would only be involved in linking parties together, they would then have to reach agreement on how they could work together.

ACTIONS: Julian to ask Emma to put a call for sites out in the E -Bulletin, and to discuss the potential garden buddy scheme with her.

7. High Street Trees tree signs, numbers and support for weakened trees

It was pointed out that some of the trees in the High Street are currently weakened. Colin kindly agreed to check them all over the coming weeks. We agreed that the trees should keep their tags with numbers and names. The group agreed that the underplanting looked good and that it was felt that this should be continued moving forward, however, weeding and planting needs to be coordinated. It was suggested that we liaise with the Horticultural Society on the best way of doing this.

ACTIONS: Colin will check for any weakened trees. Julian will discuss the underplanting with Berry.

8. Next agenda

Emergency Plan

9. Date of next meeting

19th July 7pm