

Pentewan Valley Parish Council
Climate, Ecology and Environment Advisory Committee

Meeting of the Climate, Ecology and Environment Advisory Committee, held at Tarzell and on Teams

Date: Monday 8th April 2024 - 7pm

Present: George Muskett
John Sundercombe
Anthony Hereward

On-line: Miranda Smith

Apologies: Steve Street

- 1. White River Project.** Application for funds has been drafted and being vetted by steering group. In order to submit will need quotations and there is a tight time-line. Next main meeting on 8th May.
- 2. Field at London Apprentice.** Planting went ahead. Great turn out. Really well organised. Thanks to George and Francis. Steph the landowner has been offered a free assessment of her existing woodland by Woodland Trust.

Enquiry from Rickett's Cottage, Little Polgooth for another area to plant. Likely to go ahead and they will apply for grants. We've offered help as and when.

MS has friend at Gewan's Farm who'd like a paddock sized field planted. MS will co-ordinate a meeting with owner, GM and FB.

- 3. Plan Review and new projects.** Revised draft circulated. Tidal barrier has been completed and could be noted as such, together with other successful projects. Agreed that as local produce is now available, Farmers Markets be dropped from plan. Would like to progress reward schemes. Suggest a grant scheme for E-bike charging point on Pentewan Trail, possibly at Trevithick and Trays or any other secure location; maybe offering a 50% grant. JS to get some information on installations and costs.
- 4. Neighbourhood Development Plan.** SS will update next meeting. End of financial year and so have to return funding not used and apply again for second consultation. Most work has been done.
- 5. Menagwins.** MS has emailed Pengelly's and awaits plant list. Invoice is with the clerk. Weather not great for planting yet. We await a bit of direction. Extension of car park: no willingness to give more car park space and more storage taking place currently. Keep the pressure up as it will be needed.
- 6. Weighbridge Office.** MS is seeing GB tomorrow on a number of issues. 3rd May MS will meet with Kat & Arthur to go through and decide what to keep and what to go from the office. GB has offered storage for any to be retained. Some groundwork clearance will be undertaken by GB. GM requests that an approximate figure for repairs be sought from Arthur.
- 7. Signage.** Signs by Penrice School, they are cracking on with the project. GB still happy for signs to go up, no problem at all. Discussions as to where to place them. They'd be left for season only. We may well have to check during the season as staff are very busy.
- 8. 20mph up-date.** Meeting on 10th June, 2pm on TEAMS. Pentewan already has 20 mph. It is somewhat surprising Tregorrick has not joined all the others that have 20 mph, especially as there has been much discussion in the past.

9. AOB.

- a. Replacement of post box at bottom of Tregorrick Lane. Clerk has raised it again and will report back at next meeting.
- b. Watering Lane Nursery development. GM and MS attended. Keystone Venture International – just formed a year ago. Three businesses present. Osmose - mushroom technology; Castle Brewery; LettUs Grow – microgreens. Proposal to provide four new buildings. Aim to host classes and workshops in glass-house and to attract local businesses. Solar array proposed on site. 850kW and battery storage. Applying to buy Polglaze Farm and 11 acres. Concerns raised about the road network for access and about the solar array. A site visit by PC has been suggested. Some discussion ensued.

Date of next meetings: Tuesday 7th May 2024 - 7pm