Pentewan Valley Parish Council – Climate Action Working Group

Meeting of Climate Action Working Group, held by Zoom

Date: Monday 13th June 2022

Present:

George Muskett Stephen Street John Sundercombe Anthony Hereward Miranda Smith

1. Apologies for absence:

Toni Dowrick Francis Browne Vicky Cartwright

2. Tree Nursery- await feedback from FB

3. Weighbridge Area – Graham back at work. Probably end of season now will come back on line. An Expression of Interest was made for funding by SS and GM, which has been passed to the Clerk and Chair of the Parish. Steve will present at next Parish meeting on Wednesday. Need estimated cost. GM had intended to contact Mr Willis to see if he may make a contribution. GM has also contacted some structural engineers but think it is more a matter for a builder. GM is aware of someone in Pentewan who may have the necessary skill set.

4. Menagwins – Planting has been achieved. Looks lovely. Been a great project. Perhaps raise again with the County Councillors about extending the car park but need to wait for current contract to expire. There is the possibility for Community Chest sponsorship if we need more. The Cornwall have had some staffing issues but they and Trevithick and Trays are making progress towards planting up their respective pipes.

5. VC had made a suggestion that the Pentewan toilets have a water butt. The water to be used for flower watering. GM has researched some water butts and suggested a wall-mounted discrete version produced by freeflush.co.uk. All agreed. Discussion on making the tap lockable with a combination lock.

6. Establishment of an Advisory Committee rather than Action Group which would extend our remit. The suggestion came from the parish clerk and we are in agreement.

7. Neighbourhood Development Plan – leaflets are still being prepared. Quotes for fliers have been agreed and ever hopeful they'll be distributed. All agreed to help distribute the same. It was suggested that flagging up on social media may engender more engagement.

8. White River Project – Cornwall Live report highlighted the parlous state of the White River. We've been told that SWW are keen on reedbed idea but on their own land.

Hesitancy expressed as sounds like a reduction in the plans that have been put forward. There needs to be more pressure brought to bear. The group do not want to see a watering down of the plan proposed as would miss the results proposed.

9. AOB – JS added to the SUSTRANS map for ideas on the Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure Plan. GM and AH were at meetings and also involved. We await results. On the same topic of bikes – we await the weighbridge area to be open to install bike racks in Pentewan.

10. Date of Next Meeting – Monday 11th July hopefully in person and maybe 7.30pm at Tarzell.