

SusWoT Meeting 25 February 7:30 Zoom

Minutes

Present

Alex Dunn, Mike Crabbe, Steve Tainton, Myra Jones, Judith Sluglett, Teresa Stratford, Liz Viggars, Jill Kempshall, Tracy Tainton Tim Bushell, Kate Harvey, Ruth Wellman, Maxwell Gould, Sarah Fennell, Judith Sluglett, Chris Duffy, George Banting, Mel and Denise Ward, Richard Bennett, Pam Stringer.

Apologies

Shirley Brown, Sue Milestone, Grainne Stables

Note

Due to the on going plague this meeting served as a catch up as to what SusWoT was currently able to do and what is not possible.

Pleas for help are in bold

Ongoing Activities and Suspended Activities

Litter Picking, Get Growing, Library Garden, Web Work, Trym improvement continues. Supper Club has been suspended and no progress has been made with energy conservation. Support for Sustainable Southmead and clearing the Trym of litter continues.

Get Growing

Sarah Fennell would like Someone to help with Get Growing at her school. If you would like to help let SusWoT know and we can put you in touch.

The Library Garden has beans, garlic, onions and shallots growing in it.

Chili and some tomato seeds have been sown.

We will use the data from last time to guide us.

Kate would like some help!

Last year Get Growing plants were distributed and collected from peoples houses. The same will be done this year. Because we will not be aiming to get all plants ready for the Spring Fair the whole activity will operate much more slowly. This will mean that plants can be distributed when appropriate. **If you have a greenhouse or can help with cultivating plants, please be in touch.**

Litter Picking

This continues within Covid-19 restrictions. Nearly all litter picking is done by individuals in rounds of streets local to them. There are about 24 rounds covering most of Westbury. The monthly picks have continued. Support is provided to Sustainable Southmead and Sea Mills and Coombe Dingle Climate Action Group.

It was agreed that more kit could be bought, this will be needed as so much kit is now permanently lent out.

A new strategy was agreed. The focus will move from Southmead to Sea Mills, Coombe Dingle and Henbury. SusWoT will support SS if invited, but the expectation is that they will start to look after themselves.

It was agreed that we should continue to remove fly tipping from Clover Ground for the moment.

Trout in the Trym

Has its own website in development.

Consists of seven+ groups that are based on the Trym or Hazel Brook.

Mike has organised Information Cards that are now being used.

The Southmead Trym Valley Open Space is now clear of rubbish with trees planted. SusWoT will support SS if invited.

There are now occasional meetings of all the groups involved. Next is early March.

Balsam bashing to start in the Spring at the first sign of them.

Clearing the Trym eco system of rubbish to continue.

Shows

Community Fair First Saturday in May assume cancelled.

Village Show 3 September (Theme is 20/20 vision as planned for 2020 so our prizes are as last year)

Event

We intend to have some sort of celebration when possible to thank people for what we've done over the past couple of years.

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None