

Blackdown Hills
 Parish Network
 Steering Group

BHPN STEERING GROUP **Wednesday 21 September 2022 at 19.30 at Cadbury House**

Attendance:

Heather Stallard Chair, Hemyock parish rep
 Catherine Bass Co-ordinator
 Daniel Lazar Membury PC
 Graham Long Upottery PC
 Ken Pearson Clerk to Stockland PC
 Mike Canham Otterford PC
 Alison Weekes Clayhidon PC
 Bob Nelson Broadhembury PC

Apologies

Alex Stevens

Upottery PC

	Apologies received from AS	Who	When
1.	<p>Matters arising from StgGp mtg June 8 Re Item 3: BN updated the StgGp re AONB Climate Action Plan. Tim Youngs has yet to re-draft this in light of the 4 comments presented to him by the BHPN. It is anticipated that the Plan will be available for adoption before the next AONB Management Group mtg on 3 Nov. BN informed the meeting that he is standing for election as Chair of the BH AONB Management group. Re item 4 DL reported back on the E Devon river catchment seminar, Making Rivers Better, in Broadhembury. All agreed it was an informative meeting.</p>		
2.	<p>Finance: Bank Balance stands at £1,046.50. One outstanding parish subscription is in progress. There are no further anticipated outgoings before a replacement co-ordinator is appointed. P&L account for 2012/2022 was reviewed, no points of note.</p>		
3.	<p>Membership & Management of the Steering Group CB has notified the StgGp of her intention to stand down as co-ordinator. She noted that a new appointment presents an opportunity to refocus Steering group activity and also refresh the online presence of the BHPN. She is prepared to remain as a member of the Stg Gp. BN noted the key role of the BHPN as an AONB stakeholder, and the value of getting the MPs to regular meetings to raise BHPN parish concerns CB to prepare a description of the role* HS agreed there is a need to redefine the direction and the means to achieve recognised outcomes. KP commented that with the new Unitary status in development in Somerset, there will be different groupings and practices coming into action as that county is to be divided into 12 different areas. Noted that there is already inconsistency in terms of where the new area boundaries might be. BN volunteered to review the BHPN Constitution* MC to define forward targets with measured outcomes * *for circulation to all StgGp before meeting on October 13. Role will be advertised via PC clerks and parish websites with applications sought by end October HS, CB and MC to meet potential appointees as ap thereafter with a view to introducing new appointee at the AGM on November 10. HS supported CB remaining on the StgGp.</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>BN MC</p> <p>HS/CB/MC</p>	<p>Asap</p> <p>Asap Asap</p>

4.	<p>Briefing meeting with new MP for Tiverton & Honiton BHPN invitation to brief Richard Foord on BHPN and activities has been acknowledged. Stg Gp agreed to invite all three MPS (Pow, Foord, Fysh) to meet in early Spring, after the AGM and appointment of a new co-ordinator.</p>	CB/ appointee	
5.	<p>AGM Date, Venue, Agenda Date: Thursday November 10 at 7.15 Venue: Otterford Parish Hall Agenda items to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chair's report 2. Financial report 3. Adoption of revised Constitution (if nec) 4. Presentation of 1-3 year action plan for discussion. 5. Invited Speaker topic: Founding and Funding an Ecogroup, from members of Chardstock Eco action group. Also possibly a short presentation from Farmer Parris of Yarcombe <p>CB to circulate date to all parishes</p>	<p>MC to book</p> <p>Via DL</p> <p>KP to invite CB</p>	<p>Done</p> <p>Done</p> <p>asap</p>
6.	<p>AOB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Application to Devon Community Fund for money to purchase an IR camera attachment for loan to parishes to determine heat losses from housing stock. This can feed directly into the Climate Impact tool developed by Exeter and Bristol Unis to refine data. DL & CB to develop application. 2. GL noted that there is a new SW Peninsula draft transport policy in preparation, this will need to be followed. Opportunity for <u>Über</u> to cover rural areas as well as cities, if bus provision is reduced further. KP noted that Mid Devon has just opened a consultation on bus service provision https://www.middevon.gov.uk/public-encouraged-to-share-views-on-district-s-bus-services/ 	DL/CB	asap
6.	<p>Date of next meeting Agenda to agree role description, revised Constitution and forward targets.</p> <p>Thursday October 13th at 10.15 at Alison Weekes, Deadbeer, Clayhidon EX15 3PN AW to send directions</p> <p>Meeting ended at 21.15</p>	AW	