

## Climate Action Menston – minutes for 16<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Chris Steel in the chair	Action
<p><b>Apologies</b> – about 15.  <b>Present:</b> Chris Steele, Karen Casson, Marilyn Banister, Hannah Bayston, Jamie Needle, Alwyn Kotzee, Paul Maddy, Jane Pratt, Jonathan Gadd, Alison Davies, Andrew Sage, Helen Collier.  Paul Maddy and Alison Davies provided their email addresses.</p>	
<p><b>Updates:</b></p> <p><b>Communication:</b>  <b>Logo-</b> thanks to Lorain.</p> <p><b>Website-</b> David B working on this.</p> <p><b>Emails/Slack/ mobilise/ Facebook</b> - Attila, Roger, David Palmer . None of them able to attend.  Slack is used by Climate of Collaboration group and Hannah aware of it.  Some of group use facebook and others do not want to.  Group unable to agree how to proceed.  Would like comparison of features of Slack versus Mobilise ie ease of use, cost etc for internal communications.  Need to find suitable method for internal and external comms.</p> <p><b>External links</b> MCA and Menston .org Who to take on?</p> <p><b>Publicity</b>  Marilyn gave info on possible funding for community groups from BMDC – maybe consider a postcard about our group to go out to whole village.  Chris to take on funding application and design of card.  If funds granted, can make use of MCA bank account – Jon Gadd.</p> <p><b>Climate of collaboration event: on 19.6.19:</b>  Goodith and Hannah attended. Lots of enthusiasm – people come from wide area. Lot of shared resources.  Suggested that we need to pin down what we want to do!  Brief discussion on visions, dreaming the impossible dream and films.  Is there a date for another meeting?</p> <p><b>Mass Lobby on 26.6.19 plus networking information</b>  Marilyn and Roger attended but MP not interested – UK is leading the way!  Met up with Hope for the Future contact and suggested joint working on how to work with local authorities. This from Julia:  “Hope for the Future could offer your group any or a combination of the following:  - Basic training on how to have good conversations with your councillors  - A tailored strategy on a specific area of policy that you could attempt to persuade your council about e.g. transport, community energy, retrofitting housing  - Accompaniment to a meeting with your councillors (if you want someone to take</p>	<p>AD, RB or DP to provide for next meeting please!</p> <p>CS</p> <p>HB, GW</p>

notes, interject with an outside perspective)  
- Support to run a direct democracy style event where we invite councillors and the local community to discuss ' What does a climate emergency mean for Shipley/Menston?'  
We're in the process of updating the website, but there is a little more information about this project here: <http://www.hfff.org.uk/authority-to-act> “

Group agreed to take up the offer. Marilyn and Alwyn to liaise.

### **Our bright Future.**

For young people(11-24) there are opportunities under the “**Our bright future**” community fund doing environmental projects. More details at <http://www.ourbrightfuture.co.uk/>

**Child friendly environments** event on 15.7.19 in Bradford .Marilyn attended and BMDC are looking to obtain Child Friendly City status under UNICEF accreditation. <https://childfriendlycities.org/>

**Playingout.net** is the website to encourage local people to organise street closures. Would need to persuade BMDC to sign up to make this simple to do. Travel and transport group to look at – see later.

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### **Discussions**

#### **Vision**

Some discussion about needing a vision that life will be better if we change now. Find a film to show:

Hannah mentioned “Demain” which is maybe the French version of this film?: <https://www.tomorrow-documentary.com/>

Also, <https://livingthechange.com>

Also, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KvVI3Xjpsn4>

Also,

[https://www.ted.com/talks/greta\\_thunberg\\_the\\_disarming\\_case\\_to\\_act\\_right\\_now\\_on\\_climate](https://www.ted.com/talks/greta_thunberg_the_disarming_case_to_act_right_now_on_climate)

Consider having event with film screening?

Kirklands not set up apart from people bringing in screens, projector

Parish church has AV – not sure of licensing.

Methodists do show films.

#### **Car Free Day 22<sup>nd</sup> September.**

Parish church are holding informal Harvest Festival celebration in Kirklands at 2-3pm- all welcome, activity zones.

Could offer something after?

Unclear what we could do given summer hols etc /difficulties of road closures – Alwyn not getting replies from BMDC.

Maybe biking in the car park, e-bike trial?

But missed opportunity if we do nothing?

Menston Show on 7<sup>th</sup> September

Andrew Sage – also on Menston Show Committee, suggested having a table at the show to publicise the group. Also, get people to sign pledges to

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use cars less. Agreed.

Working group for the show: Jonathan, Hannah, Chris, Helen.

JG, HB, CS,  
HC.  
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Andrew to check we can have a stall – now agreed.

Alwyn to do article for MCA newsletter and elsewhere.

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### **One Planet Principles**

These have been adopted by Climate Action Ilkley and focus actions into 10 possible areas.

<https://www.bioregional.com/resources/one-planet-living-principles>

All ideas so far would fit into these categories and it was agreed that these could be used as sub-groups that people interested can then join:

**Health and Happiness:**

**Equity and Local Economy:**

**Culture and community:**

**Land and Nature: .**

**Sustainable water:**

**Local and sustainable food:**

**Travel and Transport:**

**Materials and products:**

**Zero waste:**

**Zero carbon energy:**

Those present informally divided into three groups:

**Land and nature:** to consider tree planting, long grass, garden sharing allotments.

Karen to contact Menston in Bloom.

Also find out about Bradford Forest.

Find out about land at station.

Please contact Chris, Karen or Francesca if you are interested in getting involved with this group. Others so far are Hannah and Jane

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**Travel and transport;** to progress the “hole in the wall”, car idling, 20mph zone, street design, travel to school.

Re hole in the wall – Marilyn attended Parish Council meeting and they agreed to send a letter to BMDC requesting that it happen! Jamie to monitor progress.

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Re idling – Jamie has found out that BMDC are planning to do this in

<p>September. Can we monitor air quality?  20mph zones – no update.  Wharfedale Safe Cycling Group – run by Andy Boyle at Otley. Possible to do here?  Also to take to work on “Playing out”- do people in Menston want it?  Tommy Knowland may be able to get artist’s impression of child friendly street.  Marilyn’s daughter does this type of work- to follow up.  Alwyn to contact Mr Jones at the school to gauge their interest.  Please contact Marilyn if you are interested in this group. Others so far are Alwyn, Andrew, Helen, Jamie.</p> <p><b>Zero carbon energy:</b> to progress solar PV at Kirklands, crowdfunding, liaison with Kirklands trust.  Please contact Jamie If you are interested in this group. Others so far are Paul, Jane, Roger, David P,</p> <p>Other possible working groups based on earlier ideas but with no leaders at the moment, are:</p> <p><b>Health and Happiness:</b> inspiring a vision – film showing and community event? Contact Marilyn if you are interested.</p> <p><b>Equity and Local economy:</b> looking at promoting fossil free investments.</p> <p><b>Culture and community:</b> the local business eco scheme suggested by Vicar, Steve Proudlove. Jane and Marilyn also interested.</p> <p><b>Local and sustainable food:</b> food refill /waste not scheme. Jemma, Jamie, Chris and Karen all interested.</p> <p><b>Zero waste:</b>  see <a href="https://www.sas.org.uk/lead-a-community/">https://www.sas.org.uk/lead-a-community/</a> for being a plastic free community.  If anyone is interested please contact Ann at Wharfedaletp@gmail.com</p>	<p>MB  AK</p>
<p><b>Next meeting:</b>  Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September. Who to check if we can use the library?  Jonathan?</p> <p>To hear updates from sub groups; car free pledges and any other new ideas,plans etc</p>	<p>JG</p>