

# Climate Action Menston Meeting 2 – Notes (Francesca Bridgewater)

18/06/2019

Present: Francesca Bridgewater, David Bridgewater, Goodith White, Alison Davies, Marilyn Banister, Clare Jones, Roger Banister, Steve Proudlove (vicar), Chris Halsall, Dale Smith, Jemma Tighe, Maggie Wilson, Jane Pratt, Lorain Behrens, Attila Darvasi, Andrew Sage, Jamie Needle, Karen Casson, Chris Steele, David Palmer, Alwyn Kotzee.

## Updates on Items raised in 1<sup>st</sup> meeting:

- Waste Not update – Jemma
  - Kirklands prepared to provide space.
  - Initial research – Menston people interested
  - Liquids supplied from Addingham – i.e. very local.
  - £5000 setup for plastic containers.
  - National Refill day tomorrow Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June
- Tetracycle update – Jemma
  - Recycle stuff council won't take.
  - Tetracycle only allow one place within a 5 mile radius of another.
  - Burley collection point would take our contributions.
  - Could have collection point in Kirklands.
  - Colgate, Walkers and some other brands will recycle but only take their own stuff.
- Energy update – Francesca (see attached document from Andy Boyle)
- Climate of Collaboration
  - Meeting of all local environmental groups to share ideas etc.
  - Jonathon Gad and Goodith went to last one.
  - Next one tomorrow – Hannah going with Goodith.

## Events:

- Roger & Marilyn Banister are going to “The Time is Now” demo to lobby MPs on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June in London. Have arranged to meet Philip Davies and will raise questions and take any comments from the group. Need a suitable placard.
- Climate Emergency Strike - 20<sup>th</sup> September. David Palmer is on Extinction Rebellion newsletter and will keep us up to date.
- Idling campaign: <https://www.bradford.gov.uk/browse-all-news/press-releases/bradford-council-to-develop-no-idling-campaign-outside-schools/>

## New initiatives

The following were discussed and voted on:

ACTION	WHAT IT IS	LEAD & others interested
Hole in the wall	Break through wall from park to crossing to	MARILYN, Jamie, Alwyn,

	High Royds. Possibly to combine with path to join path through park. To lobby Parish Council.	Jemma, Chris H
Food Refill Scheme	Set up a refill Waste free shop in Kirklands.	JEMMA, Francesca, Attila, Andrew, Jamie, Maggie, Alison, Chris H, Karen, Chris S.
Trees	Apply for Government money to plant urban trees and lobby Parish Council to provide matching funding and allocate areas. Possibly combine with a community orchard. Raise funds and plant wood on Derry Hill?!	FRANCESCA, Karen, Chris H, David B, Alison, Maggie, Jamie
Car Free Day 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Close part of Main St outside Kirklands, combine with a "No CARnival", with stalls, Waste Not (?), raise profile. Alwyn to ask Peter Finlay about road closures. To discuss next meeting.	JAMIE, Andrew, Alwyn, Jemma, Alison
Local Businesses Environmental Policy	Encourage local Businesses to consider how to reduce their C footprint. Have windows sticker/awards dinner?	STEVE, Karen, Chris S, Goodith
Car Idling	Bradford Council want to reduce car idling outside Schools. Can we measure air quality? Parish Council have a speed camera (?) – could involve volunteers and school children. Alwyn to check Bradford website and Environmental Health & contact Simon D'vali	ALWYN
Plate to plate composting	Scheme in Leeds takes local food waste and composts it for minimal fee. Set up similar in Menston? Or educate people to compost own waste?	
Long Grass Policy	Lobby Bradford Council to leave areas of the Park uncut and seed wildflowers. (Sheffield saved £25K)	ALWYN
20mph Village wide	Lobby Council to set the speed limit to 20mph throughout Menston.	ATTILA
Solar PV array on Kirklands/Library	Assuming energy costs will only rise, invest in Solar PV to help the long term finances of the Kirkland Trust. To consider heritage sites like the Church as well...	JAMIE, David P, Andrew
Fossil Fuel Free Investments	Challenge the Parish Council (and ourselves, and Pension funds etc) to make sure their investments or Bank Accounts are not with institutions that support Fossil fuel. Check Corporate Responsibility Statements. NB Triodos have green current account for £3/m.	ALL!
Allotments/ Garden Sharing	Ask B Council (or Parish Council?) to provide allotments. Also set up Garden Sharing scheme – so connect people with large gardens with others with none.	GOODITH, Maggie, Francesca, Attila
Plastic Free Village	An initiative to encourage reducing single use plastic	?

## Any Other Business

### Publicity:

Logo - Lorain to do logo for website and facebook site, and draw up a poster. Possibly provide a banner for Marilyn & Roger on London March. Lorain to liaise with David B and Francesca

Website - David B

Emails via gmail group. Attila & Roger to liaise

Goodith to ask if there is a national climate action group.

People are encouraged to post information on the Facebook page.

**Next meeting Tues 16/7 7:30.** Advertise event on library noticeboard. Also in Menston community newsletter and Village Facebook site.

Venue - May have to pay for library. Might be able to apply to PC for grant which could go towards paying rent for library or publicity. Other halls may be available e.g. Church.

### Websites:

Car Free Day <https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/world-car-free-day-2019/?fbclid=IwAR0lVHsXWH89iYME01ZJGhp7831R0nt5igLZAza5p4mixR5XM7ZN-4eX3Qo>

BBC Hugh Fearnley Wittingstall programs about single use plastic  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0005xh7>

Urban Tree planting <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-delivers-new-10m-fund-to-plant-over-130000-urban-trees>

Waste not Burley <https://www.wastenotshop.net/>

Plastic free village - <https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/dec/18/plastic-dirty-word-welsh-village-aberporth>

Rewilding - <https://www.rewildingbritain.org.uk/>

One Planet Living - <https://www.bioregional.com/one-planet-living>

Garden sharing - <https://www.theguardian.com/money/2011/sep/02/garden-sharing-growing-vegetables>

Plate 2 plate compost - <https://www.plate2platecompost.com/>

Triodos - <https://www.triodos.co.uk/current-accounts/current-account>

Climate Action Ilkley <https://climateactionilkley.org/>