

Wycombe Friends of the Earth

Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday 1st July 2020 at 7.30pm
online via Zoom

Present through Zoom: 13

1. Finance - no change.

2. The climate emergency campaign

> A member reported on the fact that the Council is still diverted by Coronavirus. However, next steps are to ask questions at the next meeting on 15th July, such as, perhaps:

When will they conduct the carbon audit? Why does it take so long and how do they intend to get the public engaged? Also to approach other council members to ask a question.

> It would be advantageous to get more groups on boards that are concerned but non-green.

> A member will send a summary of action so far to another member who will use that to communicate with other interested parties on the list in an attempt to get them on board.

3. A Just Recovery

> Next steps: to lobby our MPs.

> We should not be going back to the position before Coronavirus but it should be changed and accelerated with climate change in mind.

> The coordinator joined up to a virtual lobby in order to lobby MPs on climate action. Five people were on the call with the MP, who said that he intends to work to the aspect of the government's manifesto regarding carbon reduction, but no further.

4. Finding Greta update

> A member reported that the poster will be ready in the next week. Then he will start promotion on social media.

> Anyone who has knowledge of likely candidates, please pass on the information.

5. AOB

> Hazlemere Parish Council is favourable to actions combating climate change and reducing carbon. So anyone who has a good green idea to put to this parish council, please do so.

> A member reported that Community Impact Bucks supports voluntary and not-for-profit ventures. Any organisation applying for funding needs to have certain credentials in place. It was agreed that WFoE should sign up to their news email as certain news items may be of interest to us.

> A member is involved in one of the anti HS2 camps near Wendover and will report on action taken.

The next meeting of Wycombe Friends of the Earth will be on Wednesday 5th August 2020, 7.30pm, online through Zoom probably.