

Wycombe Friends of the Earth - Minutes

For Zoom meeting on Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.30pm:

Present online: 12

1. Finance

The Treasurer has completed the process to be a signatory and Sally has completed the accounts.

2. Ecotip for May will be:

Reduce your food miles.

As seasonal produce is now coming in, you can reduce your food miles by shopping British or shopping locally, thereby also supporting our national and local farmers. Many local shops and farm shops are open safely for business. Some local farm shops:

Lacey's Family Farm Shop, Bolter End Farm, Finings Rd, Lane End, High Wycombe HP14 3LP

Peterley Manor Farm Shop, Peterley Ln, Prestwood, Great Missenden HP16 0HH

Westside Fruit Shop, Clay Lane, Booker, SL7 3DJ

3. Climate and biodiversity campaign

Future actions now local elections are all but over - climate emergency with new councillors and towards Cop 26.

4. BCAA and the council elections/climate pledge

- 181 candidates have signed the climate pledge - (very approximately: 78 lib dems, 39 Greens, 44 Labour, 21 Independents, 1 conservative).
- Google: *Bucks Climate Action Alliance*, click on *climate pledge* for candidates who have signed.
- BCAA held hustings and all political parties were represented except for the Conservatives.

5. Wycombe Environment (WE). Bees and Solar Streets

- High Wycombe market stall will hand out wildflower seeds and advertise WE on 8th May.
- Wildflower seed will be distributed by community groups on social media.
- The bee project is a collaboration between WE and WFoE but with WE doing the hands-on.
- Solar Streets is progressing, with WFoE and Bucks County Council logo on it.

6. Campaigning around COP26 - nothing to report at present.

7. Bucks Council Community Boards - nothing to report at present.

8. Coming Events

- It was agreed that we could hold meetings in person from July at the Friends Meeting House when we could hold the AGM. A member will book the Friends Meeting House - big room.
- Food waste meeting by Bucks Food Partnership - WFoE will attend online. Details to follow.

9 AOB - none

10. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 2nd June 2021, 7.30pm, via Zoom.