

Wycombe Friends of the Earth

Minutes for Zoom meeting on Wednesday 7th June 2023 at 7.30pm.

Present: 6

Apologies: 4

1. Ecotip

Water

They say it never rains but it pours. Could you catch that extra water for use on drier days? Use your washing and washing up water on your plants as long as they don't have harsh products in them. A water butt can help keep your garden green and lush, without needing to use precious tap water. You can get water butts at local DIY stores. Save the water you run through while it becomes hot and use it for your plants etc.

- A member has sent the ecotip to The Bucks Free Press as a mini article.

2. Finance

- The bank account is in the black.
- 10 members have paid membership so far.
- At Pann Mill, we covered our table cost and had £15 left over.
- The Treasurer will request the membership fee from the remaining members.
- A new member enquired about the group and the coordinator sent him the link to this meeting.

3. Consultations

- The Local Plan and Local Transport consultations have now ended.
- The questions were difficult because responders were requested to say if they were in favour or not in favour of a statement, but there were some aspects in each statement that were both.
- There is a further consultation on The Hazlemere Neighbourhood Plan ending on 27th June.

Modifications to Hazlemere Nbd Plan

<https://yourvoicebucks.citizenspace.com/planning/hazlemere-modifications/>

Closes 27 June

- A petition against fossil fuel investment by Bucks Council has been circulated.

<https://act.gp/3kMDmh>

Greenpeace stop fossil fuels

4. Social media - Twitter account

- Two members post on WFoE Twitter sometimes.
- The coordinator will contact a member to ask if they will add our ecotip on Twitter.

5. WFoE AGM

- AGM set for the July meeting.
- The coordinator will email his contact at Bucks Council and ask if she would like to attend our AGM. She might answer questions about her list of Green Organisations.
- The treasurer will compile a treasurer's report.
- A member will ask the group how many might attend the AGM in person and who would attend if it was on Zoom.

6. Stalls

1. Amersham - 10th June, 10-1.30pm. The stall is covered.
 - A member will arrange more children's activities.
2. Festival of Wellbeing, High Wycombe, 10. 17th June.
 - The rota is arranged.
 - We could do with more people to make the sessions shorter.
 - There is to be a panel who will speak.
 - The coordinator will email the organiser to find out more about the panel.
3. Marlow Carnival, Saturday 16 Sept in Higginson Park. 10am-5pm.
 - WFoE is booked into this. We will need our own table.
4. Pann Mill 10th September. We will decide about this at the August meeting.

7. Air Quality

- There will be an Environment & Climate Change Action Group meeting on **Wednesday 14th June 6:30 – 7:30pm at The Salvation Army, Frogmoor, High Wycombe, HP13 5DG**. All invited.
- A member to circulate details to the WFoE Group.

8. AOB

- WFoE Website. The short minutes for the website were discussed and it was agreed to continue with the shortened version.

9. The next meeting will be the **AGM** on Wednesday, July 5th, 2023, 7.30pm. Zoom or in person to be decided.