

Thursday 13th May 2021 – Hunts Waste Busters

Attendees and Introduction

Danette O’Hara – Waste Minimisation Support Officer, HDC

Heidi Field – Waste Minimisation Officer, HDC

Nic and Heather - St Ives

Jenny – Holme

Helen - Clerk at Yaxley Parish Council

Tom – Sawtry

Chris – Huntingdon

Anna – St Neots - taken on an allotment. Terracycle champion. Looking at lots of projects

Helen – St Ives - St Ives Eco Action Group formed in January 2020. Group is evolving.

Lara – St Neots. Social media manager for the Huntingdonshire Green Party. Looking at setting up a terracycle scheme

Apologies

Chloe – St Neots

David – Yaxley

Joseph - Yaxley

Karen – Yaxley

Richard and Pia

Social Media

Instagram – Joseph pulls together the stories. Good response being receive from the posts which has assisted us with planning other posts

Hunts Waste Busters series ‘Take Over’ – Would be great to have more ideas for posts. We would like to schedule posts twice a week. Any ideas are greatly received. Just an idea is great and waste min team can assist you to write or pull these together.

We share a number of posts across 35 local/community facebook groups each week

Suez interactive map put Huntingdonshire at 33rd highest recyclers in the UK. Can this be used to challenge residents to improve and increase our rating

Options of what can be recycling at the recycling centres.

Ask us question? Post on all platforms

Recruitment Video – Joseph still working on this

Please feel free to share resources from other groups on Hunts Waste Busters Facebook page, this page is for your use, to share ideas and keep conversations flowing.

Action for all: send in any posts you would like to write along with any images or start a conversation about one.

Action for all: Please keep liking, sharing and commenting.

Connections

Publications – Picnicking article have been circulated to 6 publications across the district

Next article is due July – any ideas please let us know

Any other publications you're aware of please let us know

Talks – Trefoil Guild talk took place 12 May. Next one schedule for the St Ives Eco Action Group at the end of the month.

Events – Heritage Open Day, St Ives – September. Hosting at the Methodist church

Members are more than welcome to join us at the events.

5th June – St Ives Eco Action at St Ives Farmers Market

Action for all: To share any new connections we should make for publication or talks.

New Page on HDC Website – Waste Minimisation (<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste/waste-minimisation>)

The guides have been drafted:

- Library of things
- Setting up a Repair Café

Guides to come:

- Yard Giveaways
- Litter free libraries

Link through to the Zero Waste Initiative page: <https://huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste/zero-waste-initiatives/>

Link through to the recycling centre information - <https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste/recycling-centres/>

Repair cafes - information on the website. Guide has been created to promote and assist others to set these up.

St Ives Eco Group have been working with Cambridge Carbon Footprint. Experiences gathered from members of the Repairers Network. Keen to get this set up in St Ives.

Yaxley learnt mainly from other local groups.

Social media posts are being developed to promote scheme and recruit volunteers.

Competition

Will be contacting local groups

Terracycle

New site in St Ives at the Ikegai collecting cheese wrappers, bags, nets and slice trays and dishwashing, cleaning, and fragrance flexible packaging.

Jenny has been in contact with Terracycle sites to ensure addresses can be promoted

Compiling list of any additional sites

Individuals working together to create more sites which feed into existing sites of schemes

Questionable material Survey

Taken from questions from Instagram stories that show key messages are needed

Any ideas please let us know

Any New Ideas

Yaxley – new clothes swap shop scheme soon to start. May be something that could be replicated in other areas

AOB

Waterbeach Visit – virtual tours are currently being offer

Banning non reusable masks within schools – Joseph will let the group know what happens at his school. – any update to share?

Lateral Flow tests – ReWorks are implementing a scheme, but we need to find out where there are sites

St Ives Eco Group had a talk by Envar Composting – may be of interest to other groups

Burleigh Centre, St Ives – 29 May – inviting the community to find out more

New group Climate Action Coalition for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough – Meeting being held on 3rd June

New members are happy for share their e-mail addresses

Next Meeting

Thursday 10 June at 7pm

Microsoft Teams meeting

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

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