

Slaley, Healey & Hexhamshire Community Environmental Group (SH&HCEG)

Agenda for meeting on Wednesday March 31st 2021 at 6.30 p.m. by ZOOM.

1. Present & Apologies.

Pat Wilson – Farming - protection of wildlife flora & fauna (Ladycross NR) PCs Litter - reduce plastic use.

Stella Douglas – Colpits area/Slaley Councillor/ Show/ Shop/ web site and community orchard.

Debra Taylor – Slaley Hall area, Slaley Councillor/ Village hall – quick win

Peter Topping – Healey parish – community orchard

Rosaleen Doonan – Village hall/shop/ musician/ Minsteracres - Raise awareness especially with young people

Peter Gill – Slaley Hall – community involvement/ stimulate a community effort

Terry Douglas – Colpits/ Slaley shop – native trees hawthorn/rowan/ash

Karen Melvin – Ladycross Nature & Art - native trees at School

Sheila Borthwick – community orchard at Parks Side, Slaley

Carol Ferguson - renewable energy / energy efficiency & recycling

Anne & Chris Porter – Hexhamshire (Chris - community orchard)

Slaley School **represented by** Debbie Brett, Headteacher & Nikki English (outdoor education),

Andy & Gill Hayden (Slaley Community Shop) – recycling

Harriet Lamb – Climate Change /Slaley Community Shop

Joan & Jerry Cleal-Harding –

Rebecca Short – Wooley – conservation, environment, permaculture & wildlife.

Lynda Sale – Hollie House, Dipton Foot -

Young People: Georgina Beckett (first year Hexham High School). Bea (9) & Toby (13) Stephenson

First Annual General Meeting of SH&HCEG 6.30 p.m. A request was circulated for people to record their interest in standing for any of the positions it was generally accepted that an annual rotation had advantages but not at this particular time.

1. To receive an emailed annual report from retiring Chairman (circulated)
2. To receive an emailed annual report from retiring Treasurer (circulated)
3. To receive an emailed annual report from retiring Secretary (circulated)
4. Comments from members. 6.31 p.m.
5. Elect a Chairman 6.35 p.m.
6. Elect a Treasurer 6.38 p.m.
7. Elect a Secretary 6.41 p.m.

This concludes the business of the first AGM.

6.45 p.m.

6.45 Welcome to new members Rebecca Short & Lynda Sale.

Welcome our young people Georgina, Bea & Toby – ask about interests and if there is ‘something’ they feel passionate about and would like us to work with them to achieve their goals.

7. p.m. 2. Minutes of meeting held February 17th 2021

7.05 p.m. 3. Matter arising

a) 3a 17/2/21; 3a 6/1/21; 3a 25/11/20; 3a 15/10/20; 8c 22/2/20: general litter/dog bags wheelie bin placed at the Trygill. Bin ordered. Slaley PC will pay £190. Two Slaley PC Councillors have offered to position.

b) 3b 17/2/21; 3b 6/1/21; 3b 25/11/20; 3c & 7a 15/10/20) 8h 22/2/20: climate change - a local initiative –land on which to provide a community ‘something’. Update?

c) 3c 17/2/21; 3c 6/1/21, 3c 25/11/20; 5 15/10/20: FIVE fruit trees at Parks Side planted Wednesday March 17th – thanks to Terry & Stella Douglas & Pat.

d) 3d17/2/21; 3d 6/1/21; 6 25/11/20 Discussion between HL and Slaley School re the Ashden scheme working with Eco Schools with the Let’s Go Zero 2030. Update

e) 4 17/2/21: Report from Sub- committee HL, SD, PG and AH looking into community buildings having solar panels.

f) 4c 17/2/21: General update on recycling at Slaley Community Shop. – The Management Committee discussed recycle at Slaley Commemoration Hall at its March meeting and the general feeling was not to proceed with any recycling at the moment.

g) 7a 17/2/21: A symbol representing our name – easily recognised examples circulated from A&G and also SD. Re-circulated – any further samples. **Have a vote and make a decision.**

7.15 p.m.4. Interesting Articles & Information

HC 4/3/21: Plant swap group is growing in popularity + Page 52 Climate News.

HC 11/3/21: Food waste levels in the county revealed + Bogs Bunny helps peat restoration

HC 18/3/21: article ‘Not enough training on climate change – teachers need more support’ + page 72 Climate News

7.20 p.m. 5. Discussion topic would be **Waste Management** – report by DT Community Climate Champion

7. 30 p.m. 6. **Idea of a Monthly indoor market** at Slaley Commemoration Hall – **would the Group like a FREE sales table where recycled items could be offered** at very reasonable prices as part of our Waste Management if the idea is taken forward?

7. **AOB.** It was agreed when we first met that all correspondence would be circulated through me thus protecting individual emails addresses (Data Protection) – going into SPAM? Decision?

8. Date of next meeting: Wednesday May 12th 2021