



MINUTES of HEAT ZOOM MEETING - 28TH Oct. 2020

PRESENT Helen Cukier (Chair), Daniel Cukier, Henry Mills, John Downe, Susan Millington, Penny Locke, Jonathan Bacchus, Emma-Louise Hayes, Freddie Kanisius Pocock, Mark Lofthouse, and Frances Lofthouse

- 1) **APOLOGIES** Nicola Chester, Merlene Paul, and Tony Drewer-Trump
- 2) Helen welcomed Freddie and everyone introduced themselves.

ACTIONS from last Meeting:

Jim the Bike's contact details, which are:

<https://www.facebook.com/jimthebikeguy1>

website; <https://wwwjimthebikeguy.com>

- a) John's EV Newsletter which has been circulated with Agenda.
- b) Tony and Henry to add an appropriate link to next Mailchimp Newsletter.
- c) Henry hope to successfully talk with school Cycling Proficiency Officer.
- d) John commented that **Solar Streets** and **Warmer Streets** are separate enterprises. The latter offer a free survey re loft and wall house insulation whereas Solar Streets install PV. Warmer Streets are offering a further Zoom Session on Mon. 9th Nov. 8pm
- e) 4th Oct. Food Festival was well attended.
- f) Daniel – setting up QR codes to speed access to information.
- g) John to draft information about the Government Green Homes Grant so HEAT can start promoting it to the community to take advantage of this 6-month initiative that started on 30th September.

3) **CHRISTMAS LIGHTS VIDEO** Penny explained the Town Co. will not be running the Extravaganza this year, but would like to make a video with representatives of the various groups illustrating shared values. Suggested that HEAT gather round a live Christmas tree, dressed in Christmas jumpers, hats etc. Frances suggested gather on pavement in front of Christmas tree in garden of house opposite JoG Sec. Sch., Priory Rd. **ACTION** John to ask home owner. Deadline is 10th Nov. - plan for 5pm on Wednesday 4th November. Please turn up just before 5 with props – the home owner is happy for us to do this.

Progress on **FINANCES**

Heat have £350 in Bank, and approx. £50 petty cash. Henry would like us to continue with Zurich for our Insurance and has done lots of research into setting up another Bank account, which Helen and Henry will continue with.

Apple juice will be for sale @ £3 a bottle or 4 for £10 – collect from 89 Priory Rd..

In 2021 hope to run a Car-Boot sale for HEAT funds.

4) **APPLES/ORCHARD –**

Helen thanked Emma in particular, and everyone for the boxes of apples that have been picked from the Orchard or private gardens and either gone to the Newbury Foodbank or to MYAPPLEJUICE, where 136 75ml bottles of juice have been pasteurised and produced, with HEAT logo. Richard Paget takes excess apple pulp to Common to feed cows! Henry suggested Apple Fest competition in 2021. The next 2 weekends are available to pick on the Orchard. Ellie Dickens (Acting T & M CEO) still looking for longer term Orchard Leader/Organiser. **ACTION** Helen to reply to Ellie to arrange last orchard pick on Saturday 7th November and send HEAT email out advertising it.

5) **TREES**

Message from Mike Saunders, ideally need separate lists of planters on 26th Nov. and 5th Dec.. (hopefully 84) However we are mindful of Covid 19 restrictions allowing max. of 30 at a time, keeping 2 metre distance. Newbury are keeping to groups of 6 people.

Helen asked Susan if she could share her RISK ASSESSMENT. **ACTION** – Helen to talk to Susan re timing of Ceremony. **ACTION** Frances to ask Mike Saunders about numbers of volunteers from Church.

6) Postponed **CAR SHOW**

John proposes an evening Zoom Meeting with EV owners, offering an opportunity for public to ask questions. Need list of participants, and to include in next Mailchimp. Suggested John lead with opening Presentation, then break off into various ‘rooms’. Jonathon offered to help with already paid Zoom facilities. **ACTION** Jonathan to send Helen Zoom details for one-time use.

7) **CYCLING** in Hungerford

Henry, with Trish continue to think and debate ways of making the Town more Cycle-Friendly. They have written to the Town Co. and want to poll cyclists to ask for ideas, to

take back to Council. They have talked to Mayor, Helen Simpson. There is a law that forbids cycling on T and M Land (e.g. the Common). Daniel liked the calming imaginary speed bumps in Calne. Our town offers little flexibility however.

Penny asked if there are any local Cycle Groups?

8) **FACEBOOK and WEBSITE** (and What's App.)

Helen thanked Henry for bringing the Website up-to-date. **ACTION** Henry to add WARMER STREETS info. and photos of apples.

9) **CLIMATE and ECOLOGY EMERGENCY BILL**

Helen attended a virtual Zoom meeting organised by West Berkshire Climate Action Network (WBCAN) about the new bill. The bill will compliment the UK Climate Change Act of 2008. The main action for everyone to take at the moment is to raise awareness about the bill and to contact MPs about it. We need to get the climate and biodiversity emergencies onto the political agenda now and in the lead up to the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26), which the UK are hosting in November 2021.

ACTION Helen to ask Miri of W Berks Climate Action Network (WBCAN) for template letter that people can send to MP asking for full support.

10) **HEAT BOARD under TOWN BRIDGE**

Frances and Mark reported that IMPACTGRAPHICS are well on with design and getting the board ready for installation. Please make suggestions re posters, etc. Mark asked John if a Town map with position of EV Charge points could be produced.

Details of TREE PLANTING will be one of the first posters!

11) **A O B**

Veg. plants available – cabbage and broccoli (F and M) – please collect from 89 Priory Rd.

Frances requested help with 'Publisher'.

Penny had read about Behavioural Psychology – see

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DkZ7BJQupVA&ab_channel=Vox

that people like to be competitive. How can HEAT promote competitive 'green' activity???

Also, see **Sustainable Wantage Survey** on your browser.

NB Next WARMER STREETS Zoom Mon. 9th Nov, 8pm: The facebook event

is: <https://www.facebook.com/events/394479731557580..>

