

Eastertown Evolution Community Interest Company

14th December 2023

Present: Lynne Booth, Peter Smith, Emma Smith

Apologies: Debbie Smith

Minutes of the last meeting agreed

Matters arising – all on the agenda

Items discussed and action agreed

1. Engagement plan

Discussed timing and agreed in light of Christmas and New Year, to start in early January and hold an open day event on 20th January at Manor Hall

Action:

- Lynne to discuss with Matt Small and circulate a revised engagement plan.
- Lynne to contact Helen and Patricia to ask if they would like to be part of the day

2. Business plan

Ratified

Action: Lynne to send to Lympsham Parish Council

3. Steering Group membership

Jim Bishop contacted Lynne after reading about our proposal in the Lympsham News saying he is keen to be involved and help in any way he can. Jim describes himself as an 'amateur naturalist' with a particular interest in Butterflies, Moths and Birds. Jim has now joined the steering group and Lynne and Peter meeting up with him soon.

Re; meeting date for steering group, agreed to go for 11th January at 7pm at the Pavilion.

Action: Lynne to check with the Pavilion and then send out invites

4. Funding applications

Should hear from Community Ownership fund end of December, application gone in to the Nuttall Trust, Lynne applying for a range of grants including the Hinkley Point grants.

5. Links with other organisations

Lynne and Peter attended Green Wedmore committee meeting – an inspiration and useful contacts made. Peter has made contact with a man in Yatton who is doing something similar. Emma is discussing with Mrs Whiting (Head Teacher) opportunities for children's involvement.

Action:

Peter to ask Debbie to make links with Somerset Wildlife and Barn Owl Society
All – to keep a record of who we link with

6. Any other business

Lots of discussion about website, Peter working on this and the rabbit log – looking good. Lynne suggested linking with John Hesqueth as he'd once offered IT support during lockdown.

Date of next meeting 18th January 2024 7pm at Eastertown House