

Landwise meeting minutes

November 28th 2019

Present: Dave, Dilly, Fran, Nick, Jas, Cathy, Josie, Kevin

Apologies: Kath

Spring fair

Fran has been in touch with the Subrooms about using the building for our Spring Resilience Fayre around 25th April. They are already thinking of running some events as part of Earth Week that week so Fran is going to meet on Tuesday to see what they have planned so far and how our ideas might align.

CSA2 feedback

There was a meeting of around 25-30 folk who had an 'energetic scoping meeting' about developing the CSA2 project.

Moreton Hill

They are very keen to have the land in use and to involve the community. We need to submit a proposal by the end of the year. There is a space there which was planted with native tree some time back which now need some TLC, it would be good to help-out with this and get people along who want to help.

As the place is near Stonehouse, the decision was made to have a local Stonehouse meeting on Monday 13th January to a) introduce Landwise to local groups and individuals, and b) plan a tree day before the end of February.

Website

There is now a form to start collecting volunteer hours. Nick will enter the data from the main Thursday meeting minutes and can everyone think about what other meetings or work they have done and enter it on the form. Please ask Nick if you have any problems.

<https://landwisenetwork.org/volunteer-hours/>

Nick has also contacted John Meadly who wanted to share documents though our website.

Harvest

We need to send out the notes from the Harvest meeting this week. Nick will chase with Katherine about the missing info. Nick will also create a form to collect information from the groups who came. The Carbon Neutral mapping group is having their 'map jam' in January and Nick will liaise with them about their data collection, and data sharing. Cathy mentioned Quantum GIS as an option and also to look at the Nature Recovery Network website.

We decided to shut down the original discussion group which was set up after our initial meetings. and invite people to join our main mailing list, and/or the spg {Stroud Permaculture Group} if the still wish to be a many-to-many group for discussions.

Stroud Climate Action Network (CAN)

The first meeting was held on 22nd with Landwise, Stroud Valleys Project, Earth Protector Towns, Transition Stroud and the Town Council. There was interest from the groups in the Spring Fayre idea. There will be a further meeting in January.

Baxter's field

There has been interested but perhaps not many pledges for a community bid on either of the plots. There were not many details on what a pledge or what buying a share would mean.

Seedbank

The seed group are very keen to get a space to keep seeds and tools, and run workshops, perhaps with a kitchen. The plans seem very aligned with Landwise so it is mutually beneficial to plan together and see if this can be incorporated into the convent proposal.

Landwise structure

Due to the costs of using the coop articles, Dave is going to speak to the FCA about costs of a bespoke application and Kevin will have a go at writing what is needed.

Rockerfeller Food Visioning

The Rockerfeller application needs to start soon and next week Nick Weir is coming to the meeting at the Springhill co-housing to help with creating a vision for food in Stroud. This will be a useful process to go through, even beyond this particular application.

Composting

Josie is keen to start a Stroud composting scheme and is looking for a suitable location. It would be great to have more than one, catering to different areas of Stroud. There may be some restrictions in terms of access, leaching etc. Cathy would see what she could find out from the Environment Agency.

AOB

Fran's brownie recipe used coffee grounds and apple, and was lovely.