

BAS meeting 1/2/23 4pm teams

Present: Alan Cox, Richard Carrow, Nicki Lee, Vanessa Richards, Malcolm MacInnes, Jean Wilder, Derek Prior, Tony Flahive, Keith Oborn

Apologies: John Paler, Linda Wain, Russell from Baughurst

Presentations from Nicki Lee at Greener Kingsclere and Alison with her Sustainable Overton hat on, on SUP and waste reduction, and SAS plastic free communities and other projects.

Key points:

- Sharing information: groups to share useful case studies and information: specifically Repair café (Derek to speak with Nicki to help on the Kingsclere one – and also more information on marketing, attendance, repairs, carbon saved etc would be really useful). Also Keith & Vanessa to help out on heat pump case studies.
- Derek reported that the NHRC has been to many locations now and has a large attendance.
- Alison suggested that it would be a good idea to have a newsletter with updates of what each group is doing to put into a newsletter that could go out to all parish and town councils, or available on the SB website. All relevant details to Alison please, ideally with a photo or graphic (we will need permissions for the photo if it includes people).
- Toy library: [Whitchurch Toy Library | Whitchurch | Facebook](#) they may be able to extend to Kingsclere
- Refill shop: Olumide oluoo@top-topup.co.uk (he has just had a baby so may not respond immediately). He has an electric van that he runs the shop out of, but can do stalls too.
- Insurance: some parishes have cover for volunteers as part of the parish council insurance. OPC uses Wessex (they insure repair café and men's sheds also), and others to share any useful contacts.
- Litter-picking: discussion around whether volunteers require insurance, if they are not covered by the group/parish council insurance. There is some advice here [Clean-up preparation and safety advice | Keep Britain Tidy](#)
- Overton had got some funding from the local coop to have a litter-picking board that gets put outside the shop every day, where people can do their own litter-picking. Kids at school also did adopt a street.
- There was discussion around “name and shame” of companies whose wrapping/cups end up in the local area (e.g. fast food outlets, cafes). There were differing views on this. One to pick up at the next meeting perhaps.
- Malcolm reported a rubbish issue at the Harriet Costello School. Malcolm to provide more details and discuss outside meeting – could be an environmental health issue?
- Sustainable Basingstoke new website launched www.sustainable-basingstoke.org.uk Alison advised that 3 community/parish climate change groups had been added in with basic contact details, as well as the NHRC – please could Malcolm, Vanessa, Nicki and Derek check they are happy with this, and other groups to provide similar details so we can add them in.
- Next meeting **Wed April 5th 4pm**. Subject wall insulation. Anyone with any useful contacts please let Alison know otherwise I'll see what I can line up.