

# HOLBETON PARISH COUNCIL CLIMATE CHANGE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Held at Holbeton Village Hall on 7th November 2023

**Present:** Cllr Harry Baumer (Sub-committee Chair), Diana Baumer (Hon Secretary), Caroline Howarth, Tracy Ebbrell, Jan Sellick, Victoria Heyland, Tessa Trappes-Lomax & Barry Pitt.

1. **Welcome & Apologies** Harry Baumer welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were apologies from Chris Flower, John Sherrell, Anna West, Chris Bray, Gilly Hancox and Tony Callcut – who has resigned from the committee.
2. **Draft Minutes of 3rd October 2023.** Accepted as correct.
3. **Matters Arising**
  - a) **Holbeton News climate change and environmental pages plus “tip of the month”** HB reported that we have paid to have 4 environmental pages every month in the Holbeton News next year. HB has written to Which magazine about using some of their information. As yet there has been no reply. There has been no feedback from HN readers about the 4 environmental pages. There was discussion about the December “tip of the month” **Action JS and HB** agreed to write a piece for December’s Holbeton News- “The 12 Days of Christmas” looking back at the tips of the month in the past year.
  - b) **Parish Council Website** HB reported that he had added information about Devon Community Energy to the climate change page but still needs to visit David Brett (the website manager) to discuss the website **Action HB** to contact David
  - c) **Section 106 Grant Application for an infrared camera.** The PC have approved a grant of £600 for Martyn West (Project Lead) and Barry Pitt to identify and purchase a suitable camera. TE advised that they talk to Sustainable South Hams about which supplier is best for the camera. **Action TE to give BP** a contact number for Sustainable South Hams
  - d) **River Erme update** The last River Erme Councils’ meeting should have been last week but was cancelled and rescheduled for later this month, so nothing to report. HB reported back on the last 5 Parishes Environmental Alliance meeting where there was notice given of a forthcoming meeting at the Watermark about identifying and destroying INNS – Invasive Non Native Species.
  - e) **Holbeton Parish Council response to the Govt’s Independent Evidence Review of Protected Site Management on Dartmoor.** A copy of the response was attached to the Agenda for information only.
  - f) **Devon Wildlife Trust – Wembury Rockpool Safari** It was agreed that the committee should undertake a rockpool session so that we can encourage more local activity at Mothecombe, particularly amongst local children. A spring date would seem the most appropriate. **Action JS** to liaise with the organisation at Wembury

## 4. New Items

- a) **Local Cycling and Walking infrastructure plan and Behaviour Change study.** A map and information about this project was attached to the Agenda. The map highlighted some potential local routes which were mainly on small single track lanes which the committee generally felt were unsuitable and unsafe. **Action HB to include this in his briefing for the parish council**
- b) **Draft Minutes of Holbeton Parish Council meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> October.** These were attached for information.

## 5. Any other Business

- a) **Modbury Waterworks** Tess Lomax raised the issue of the mixing of foul water and rainwater at the Modbury Treatment works. Should an independent consultant be looking at this issue rather than SWW being the arbitrator in this matter? **Action HB** will report back after the next River Erme Councils’ meeting

**Date of Next Meeting: - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7.30pm**