

Next Meeting: Catch-up **Tuesday 5th June 2018, 7pm – 8pm**
Waitrose Community Room, Southam Rd, Banbury

Thanks for coming Manel, Lynda, Hilary, Lorraine (Notes), Philippe, Chris (Chair), Lin, Alison, Colin, Harry

Apologies: Kate, Sarah

Chris welcomed the new people to the group.

Connection with Wild Banbury

- Chris sent out invitations to local environmental groups to join us at the Bridge St. Edible Community Garden on Sunday, 22nd April and discuss ways that we might collaborate with each other and share resources.
- We received positive responses from Wild Banbury and CPRE (unable to attend).
- Chris chatted with Jude, the contact at Wild Banbury, and we will now be promoting each other's activities.
- Our generic group poster will be placed on their noticeboard and once ours is installed we will do something similar for them.
- They are holding a Wild Parks and Gardens family event in Spiceball Park on **Wednesday, 25th July** in Spiceball Park from 11am – 3pm
- BCAG have been offered a promotion stall – Lynda may be able to attend.
- More information can found at www.bbwt.org.uk/wildbanbury

Friends of the Earth - Oxford

- Robert Goddard has asked if there are any BCAG volunteers who would be interested in being involved with a campaign regarding air quality in Banbury
- Mini monitoring stations would be placed at locations around the town with the results feeding back to the decision makers.
- The Bridge St. junction is known as a problem area for air pollution.
- Chris will follow up with Robert to find out more information and involvement for volunteers.

Oxford Big Green Day Out – 9th June 2018

- CAG Project (Resource Futures) will be running a stall.
- Option for us to have a free BCAG stall, share with the CAG Project or just turn up as a visitor.
- Oxford Green Week is **Sunday, 16th June – Sunday, 24th June**
- We have the option of county wide promotion of BCAG events happening during that week.
- Contact Chris for more information or he can put you in touch with Mim Norvell.

Browning Road Orchard - Picnic

- The date has been confirmed as **Sunday, 24th June**.
- Colin is leading this with support from local neighbours.
- A poster is in hand and will be placed in the neighbourhood around the park.
- Promotion will be centred around the local area only to improve engagement with residents to feel more connected with the community orchard space.
- There are two planters that could be used for Rhubarb and Strawberries – Lorraine will contact Mike at Banbury Town Council (BTC) to ask permission.
- Lorraine will complete the event form application for BTC and update the risk assessment to cover the cooking equipment.

Home Start – Britannia Rd Gardens

- Harry has been contacted for help with planting the garden – he will update us later.

GDPR: Audit, policy and email to mailing list will be ready for **25th May 2018**.

Friendship Festival – Sunday, 20th May 2018

- Harry has been liaising with Judith to include Bridge St. Garden in this event.
- 9am Breakfast will be available (setup 8.45am) – Social chat till 10am.
- 11.45 am Children from the Cornhill Centre will arrive to plant butterflies.
- 12pm Shared Lunch
- There will be parachute games for the children.
- Stall available for BCAG and Visit Banbury.
- 2pm Plant sale.
- 4pm Close.
- Help to setup and pack away would be useful.

Bridge St. Edible Community Garden – Events calendar

- The summer programme for garden events is now on our website.
<http://banburycag.org.uk/projects/bridge-street-garden/>
- Philippe is now leading some Saturday working Parties – more leaders would be appreciated.
- The next garden volunteers meeting is on **Wednesday, 9th May at 6.30pm** in the garden, weather permitting. Otherwise, it will be moved to the Wild Lime at 6.45pm.

Garage Space and Noticeboard

- Harry now has access to the garage and our noticeboard.
- Communication with Cherwell DC council on installation is still ongoing.

Play:Full

Hilary would like to be involved in this, Lorraine will connect her with Kate to discuss further.

Apple Pressing

Hilary would like us to run this again after Apple day (date tbc). Lorraine will mention this to Kate.

Outdoor Give or Take

- Lorraine has registered us with the Cherwell District Council market team to apply for free stalls. Awaiting confirmation from CDC.
- Once accepted, outdoor event will need to be book via telephone on 01295 221916.
- Possible event dates are: **14th or 21st July.**

Accounts

These will be sent to the CAG Project by the end of May.

Resource CIT

Data has been recorded for some events and meetings. Philippe will contact Henry to provide some information for the garden.

CAG Project discussion

- Henry came along to last month's meeting to talk about setting a shared vision for our group in Banbury. How would we like Banbury to look? How can we contribute to that?
- Henry will be invited to return on **Tuesday, 3rd July**

AOB

- Dave Wyatt from Springfield Avenue Allotments would be interested in any environmental groups locally. He was also involved in Banbury in Bloom.
- C of E Churches from Deddington to Cropredy are doing Eco Church Environmental audits on 30th June.
- Table talk – meal and conversation 'Going Green'. St. Hugh's church hall **Thursday, 10th May 7.30pm**, then the second Thursday in June and July.

Next Catch-up Meeting

- **Tuesday, 5th June 2018. 7pm Start Waitrose Community Room, Southam Rd, Banbury**
- Self service drinks available from the help desk. Waitrose purchases only to be consumed.