**TTH MEETING – 15 April 2023**

**WHITE ROCK HOTEL**

Attendees: Andrea Corso, Anna Locke, Chris Richards, Hannah Robbins, Kate Meakin, Sherry Clark

Apologies: Sarah, Ursula

Chair: Chris

**INTRO – ROUND 1**

* Brief presentation of how we feel and expectations from the evening

**INTRO – ROUND 2**

**ANNA**

* Would like to see us going back to a project that would
  + involve the group more broadly
  + cover topics related to Transition that we don’t normally discuss
  + engage new people in town that might be interested in joining TTH

🡺 this could be some talks, or a movie

* The THRIVE training starts tomorrow, and it’s on Tuesday evening for 5-6 weeks on Zoom. We need one more person to join it with Anna

**CHRIS**

* Thinking of how we can take TTH forward
* Chris has been involved in many projects in Bristol and beyond, and could put together his experience together in a document for dissemination. There is already a lot on the TN website and other similar sources, but it is always useful to have more ideas being circulated
* Personally, Chris would like to do fewer evening activities, and focus more on activities that have a business/social enterprise element, as volunteering can only go so far in the longer term
* Transition Streets is a street-level project where you have a series of evenings where you bring together the very local community around transition themes (e.g. on energy…). That’s something that TTH could kick off
* Apple pressing: Sassie is wanting to sell her business as a going concern, but is open to alternatives. It would be a good community projects, with lots of social and educational aspects around it, and would make a good community project.
  + The Gleaning Network used to pick leftover fruit from commercial orchards for free or for a small fee – they don’t do it any longer, but the opportunity is there
  + In Brighton a similar project is run by the Brighton Permaculture Trust, which runs it on a large scale

**SHERRY**

* Yesterday there was a discussion about sessions at the Station Garden, and who could commit to always being there at a given time slot, which is difficult for everyone
* Garden Town project: Nicole, Julia and Sherry have written to ESCC to complain about how much the original project has been watered down
* Public Health funds: proposal to pilot a broader Time Credit scheme across the whole town to cover for time that currently people are putting in as volunteers
  + There was also mention of a potential community currency scheme – mostly targeted to gardening activities

**KATE**

* In the wake of recent flooding – practical advice about what people could be doing to help with reducing flood risk would be useful for the community, and is something that TTH could get involved

**HANNAH**

* It would be good to combine the “open” TTH meeting with Green Drinks, where projects from all around the community are presented, and maybe guest speakers are invited
  + Ideally we would want a stable venue where we can organise a recurring event with BYO drinks
  + The new church at the corner of Pevensey Road and London Road could be a good venue

**OTHER**

**AGM**

* We should have one (the last one was in April 2023)
  + Suggested date: Monday 10ht June @ 7-9 pm (room already booked at the White Rock Hotel)
* Chris is happy to chair it
* It should cover
  + Presentation of TTH
  + Update on projects
  + Plans for 2024
  + Finance
  + Roles

**NEXT MEETING**

* CORE MEETING (mostly planning the AGM and update on the new Green Drinks evening) – Wednesday 15th May @ 7pm

**OTHER UPCOMING DATES**

* 17th May @ 11am – Power and Aging book launch
* 8th June – Great Dixter Meadow study day
* 11th June – Hollington Pub / Eden Project
* 30th June – Hastings Gardens Festival
* 1st weekend in July – open edible gardens day
* 22nd Sep – car free day

Friday evening events on conflict organised by Green Man – with one coming up to involve also women

**NEXT NEWSLETTERS**

* May: Andrea
* June: Hannah