***WaterCAN meeting: 20th Feb 2023***

**Apologies:** Kathy Thornett; Brenda Smith; Malcolm Wade; Lucy Mann

1. Minutes were agreed from the last meeting  
   -plan to change emails to come in future from Gmail group email  
   -Facebook pages have been set up. Adrienne is administering it  
   -To search use full title:  Waterside Climate Action Network
2. Cycling -discussion around the need to engage with more people/cycling groups around plans being made in the local area. How aware are people of changes? Important to give the public a voice and be aware
3. Simon Chadwick, local writer -interested in doing the logo
4. Roxanna King, newly appointed New Forest District Council Climate Officer invited and accepted to attend a WaterCAN meeting on March 6th 7pm to 8.30 Let Steph know of any questions she may need to prepare/research responses to.
5. A4 Transport information ‘at a glance’ fact sheet is in progress.   
   **Action:** John/Phillip to send to Phillip/Stephanie **@13th March**  
    3 key points were suggested to cover: service road at Hardley; crossing at Dibden; reduction in vehicle speeds?

A group response to a local issue is important as it is representative of WaterCAN and what we do. Councillors are interested in what we have to say about the climate

1. **Letter to Councillors** to include our issues with Holbury/Hardley main road -HC to liaise with Phillip? Speedlimits must be considered in terms of protection of pedestrians and cyclists  
   Timing ahead of Fawley development would be ideal
2. Mike (Treasurer) has progressed bank account. Consideration of various options including securing charity status or community in trust company.
3. Blue plaque -discussion around how this might be implemented. Julian Lewis, MP did vote for sewage, but attention needs to be paid to various issues including putting this on private land (agreement would need to be sought)
4. Water monitoring and quality of water -discussion around securing a baseline measurement ahead of any subsequent pollution. The Oceanographic centre was raised as a possible source of information. Also, Surfers Against Sewage
5. **8th April** -repair café at Dibden Parish Hall. Further information from Lucie Mann.
6. **Hythe of Activity on @5th August.**  
   Discussion around the need to prepare for this event early in order to engage with the public.

**Action:** **6th March**   
-4 subgroups (Household; action; travel; greener energies) How do you want to present yourselves at this event? What would you like to do and see at this event?

-A4 information poster with ideas about WaterCAN  
Various options for stall events included:  
-leaflets around how people can improve the insulation of their homes  
-providing sources of advice to assist homeowners  
-possible speakers from TEC (The Energy Centre)  
-games to engage families/children at the stall -planters/birdboxes/day projects  
-write a postcard to your MP at stall

1. Need to investigate green page in The Herald to advertise.