# **What Next? General Meeting**

Charity Registration Number: 1196404

2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting of What Next?

Date of Meeting: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022, 7:30pm

## **Invitees**

**Board of Trustees**: Mark Bray-Parry, Treasurer (MBP)

Jacqueline Drijver-Ludlam (JDL)

Rieks Drijver (TD)

David Faraday, Chair (DF) Claire Matthes (CM) Rob Oulton (RO)

Members: Shirley Faraday (SF), Godalming Centre Manager

Richard Ashworth Suzanne Everest Tim Moxon Angela Shaw Juliet Woolf

**Volunteers:** What Next Volunteers are invited to attend and contribute, however they

are not permitted to vote. Only members (which includes trustees) can vote.

## **Agenda**

- 1. Welcome (DF)
- 2. Minutes of Meeting 17th January 2022
- 3. Updates on Actions from Previous Meeting
  - a. Re-opening the Centre

**ACTION**: SW to inform clients hiring the venue of this decision.

b. Health & Safety Policy and Risk Assessment

**ACTION**: DF to update the policy in line with the decision made above and sign H&S Policy.

c. General Letting Agreement

**ACTION**: RO to send SF an example of a general letting agreement. **ACTION**: SF to draft a general letting agreement for the next GM.

d. Equality, Inclusion and Diversity Policy

**ACTION**: JW, TD and / or SE to meet and then draft a policy for the next GM.

e. Other Policy Documents: GDPR / Environment & Sustainability (DF)

**ACTION**: DF to consult TM on Data Protection Policies, may then follow-up with Alex.

**ACTION**: DF to contact Ben McCallan at Zero Carbon Guildford to establish what they are doing regarding an Environment and Sustainability Policy.

f. Media, Communications and Promotion Group

**ACTION**: TD, SF and JW to get together and initiate a communications group.

g. Planetarian Project

**ACTION**: AS to contact Space to Grow. SF to submit project grant application to GTC.

h. Launch Events

**ACTION**: DF to recruit a small group to consider launch events.

i. Other Proposals

ACTION: TD to approach the Godalming Photographic Club. RO to follow-up on Social Prescribing.

## 4. Organisation and Facilities Management

## a. Health & Safety Policy and Risk Assessment (DF)

**Notes for information**: our Health and Safety Policy and Risk Assessment template have been adopted. A general risk assessment for the centre and a general risk assessment for outdoor events has been completed – copies available in request.

## b. General Letting Agreement (DF/SF)

**Notes for information**: draft general letting agreement attached for comment/discussion. **Proposal**: that the attached General Letting Agreement (amended as necessary post meeting) adopted for use when letting the venue.

## c. Equality, Inclusion and Diversity Policy (TD/JW/SE)

**Notes for information**: report from the working group on this policy.

**Proposal**: a small working group (two or three people, at least one Trustee) is formed to write our Equality, Inclusion and Diversity Policy.

**Potential Action**: group to meet, discuss and write policy.

### d. Other Policy / Official Documents

**Question**: what other policy documents should we / must we have?

## 5. Finance and Fundraising

## a. Financial Update (MBP)

**Notes for information**: summary will be made available at the meeting. **Proposal**: the attached reimbursement / expenses claim form is formally adopted by the charity.

## b. Fundraising and Gift Aid (DF)

**Notes for information**: we are now registered with HMRC for gift aid and the account is active; Givey account has been set-up and is active; street collection equipment has been obtained.

## 6. Media, Communications and Promotion Group (TD/JW/SF)

Notes for information: report back from group.

FYI: elements already in place with links:

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Website: https://whatnext.earth/

**Twitter** page: https://twitter.com/What Next CEC

**Facebook** page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/WhatNextClimateEmergencyCentre">https://www.facebook.com/WhatNextClimateEmergencyCentre</a>

Nextdoor page: https://nextdoor.co.uk/g/l39sala4c/?is=nav\_bar

You Tube page: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCj8H6aOxumljhn-x-iG7E3Q

**Telegram** group: What Next CEC

We have been interviewed for an article in Vantage.

## 7. Project Update: TerraCycle Project (DF)

**Notes for information**: we now have two TerraCycle stations in the Venue, one for plastic packaging (provided by Live Your Values) and one for stationary materials (provided by Evolve Leadteam). **Proposal**: we consider setting up a TerraCycle station in the lobby of What Next along with a display board. There are pros and cons to this: we would need our landlords permission (we think this is likely); we would need a secure donation point.

**Potential Action**: approach landlords, set up station and donation point.

## 8. Project Update: The Planetarian Food Project (SF)

**Notes for information**: application and presentation to GTC attached as reference. The current focus is getting the kitchen certified for use, training individuals to use it and establishing links with other stakeholders - SF to update.

## 9. Project Update: What Next Lounge Outreach Programme (DF)

## a. Godalming Programme (DF)

**Notes for information**: we have a series of events planned for Godalming High Street.

- Saturday 14th May, with Eco-Buskers
- Saturday 11th June, with the Eco-Street Theatre presenting the EARTH SPRITE PUPPET SHOW
- Sunday 19th June, The Mayor's Garden Party
- Saturday 9th July, with Godalming Climate Forum
- Saturday 13th August, Godalming Green Gala
- Saturday 10th Sept., with Eco-Street Theatre
- Saturday 12th November, COP27
- Saturday 26th November, Godalming Christmas Fair

Question: how can we make best use of these opportunities?

## b. Farnham Option (DF)

**Notes for information**: we have the possibility of taking the Lounge to the Farnham Sustainability Festival (Sunday  $22^{nd}$  May); DF and SW not available.

**Proposal**: a team take on this project with the support of Farnham members.

**Potential Action**: run stall on 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

## 10. Update: What Next as the Mayor's Charity (SF)

**Notes for information**: as of 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022, What Next will be the official charity of the Mayor of Godalming. This is likely to provide many opportunities for promotion and fundraising.

### a. Tales from the Great Wood (SF)

Launch/Fundraiser: Bad Apple Theatre Company Tales from the Great Wood, 6:30pm, Friday  $22^{nd}$  June.

**Notes for information**: we have booked this theatre company. The theatre performance is one hour in duration, there is the possibility of having a short pre-performance piece beforehand, maybe a short introduction to What Next / some music.

Question: how do we make the best of this event?

Potential Action: group to meet, discuss and plan this event.

#### b. The Mayor's Quiz (SF)

Fundraiser: annual event for the Mayor's Charity, likely timing November, ecothemed – quiz to be run by DF.

c. Other Fundraisers (SF)

## 11. Other Events / Activities / Groups (DF)

#### a. Current

**Notes for information**: listed are current events, activities or groups already established and the individuals with responsibility for these; information for each item can be found on the website:

Climate Club (active, fortnightly): David and Shirley Faraday

Eco-theatre Group (active, weekly): Shirley Faraday

Make Do and Mend (paused, fortnightly): Catherine Rogan

Climate Action Workshops (on demand): David Faraday

Climate Action Negotiation Game (on demand): David Faraday

**Note**: a series of negotiation games are planned for Godalming College students on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June

**Take the Jump** (currently paused): David and Shirley Faraday

Note: Shirley has been in discussion with Tom Bailey from The Jump

#### What Next Library (permanent): David Faraday and Sue Everest

**Note**: Sue has agreed to catalogue our current collection which we can then make public so people can borrow.

#### **Potential Action**: SE to catalogue current books.

b. Other Planned Event/s (Open)

## 12.Other Project Proposals

**Notes for information**: proposals can be initiated at any time and then formally adopted at a subsequent GM. The proposer should simply confirm that they fall within our stated charitable purpose, if there is any doubt the proposer should consult a trustee.

Question: are there any other proposals that anyone wishes to initiate and lead at this point?

## 13. Recruiting Members, Volunteers and Supporters

**Notes for information**: all members of the founding group accepted invitations to become members. On-line forms have been set up on the website for each category and for donations, you can review these here: <a href="https://whatnext.earth/get-involved/">https://whatnext.earth/get-involved/</a>

**Question**: how will we recruit additional members, volunteers and supporters?

## 14. Any Other Business

15. Date of Next General meeting Monday 18th July 2022