

Climate Action Report 21 November 2022 – Cllr Dempsey-Gray

The climate action working group had their first meeting on Monday 7th November. It was attended quite well and also had 3 parish councillors present.

We were able to come up with a plan for the next few months.

A brief outline of Monday 7th meeting.

An introduction of ourselves

Our thoughts on climate change and why we are on this working group.

Looking at what other local parishes have done and achieved.

Plans for Wickham Market.

We agreed that we should all review the Rendlesham climate action strategy with a view of adopting the strategy, and amending once we start to get feedback and engagement from the community, as a starting point.

We have asked the school to make a climate change worry/solution tree, and ask the pupils to bring decorated baubles, which they should do with their parents at home, to stick on the tree at the parish council gazebo on 3rd December at the Wickham Market Christmas fair. I've asked for approval of funding from parish council to provide resources, which was approved.

I've also asked the school to run a competition to design the front page of the climate action strategy.

Once Christmas has been and gone, we would like to work on holding Wickham markets first climate change event, which will need to be engaging and inviting for parishioners to attend.

We would like to contact all the local parishes with the strategy if they don't have one and see if they'd like to engage with us to be present at the above event. The more the merrier. If we can get all local parishes thinking similarly, we can all apply pressure above in the same voice.

I hope that the above plan will be acceptable to the full council and we would enjoy a budget to allow us to start planning a Climate change event.

I have also been in contact with Henry at the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership about using the thermal cameras for a couple of weeks in February/March to survey homes. More details to follow.