

SUSTAINABLE HENFIELD 2030



Report to HCP for November 2019

1. **Website is now up and running** <http://sustainablehenfield2030.org>
2. **Newsletter and social media continue.** 148 member subscribers to newsletter.
3. **SH2030 Public Meeting on Wednesday 20th November** at the Haven 7pm for 7.30 which will report back on progress so far to local residents and have a focus on reducing plastic waste.
4. **Plastic Free Henfield** has now been supported by the Parish Council. ***It would be good if HCP could also declare its support for the campaign and maybe suggest a community rep for the steering group.*** This should meet occasionally to decide on and monitor the actions of the campaign to make sure we meet the criteria for accreditation.
5. **We have joined Repair Café International** and have purchased the official Repair Café start-up kit from them with support from HCP. ***Thank You HCP*** (49 euros)
6. **Christmas Shopping night** Our SH2030 stall will sell roasted chestnuts by Cloud 9 plus share 'Greener Christmas' ideas.
7. **Charity Fair:** our stall was successful in generating more interest.
8. **General Election:** We are working with the Greening Steyning group to arrange a local Hustings event with a climate and nature emergency theme for all our local MP candidates. 27th Nov. at the Drama Suite in Steyning Grammar School. 7 pm for 8pm 'Question Time' style event.
9. **Shopping Bags:** printing our own eco-friendly shopping bags with a logo from a local school child and SHOP IN HENFIELD on the reverse. These will be used to support events and at Plastic Free Henfield promotions. Some businesses may sponsor.
10. **Pocket Parks funding bid:** We are considering putting in a bid, with the support of Parish Council and Horsham District Council, to get some funding for the Sandpit Field area. This bid would be for an ecologist's biodiversity report, and then, subject to recommendations, funding to plant some fruit trees as a community orchard, for a seat and an interpretation board for the public. The plan would be to allow most of the area to remain untouched as a wildlife site. ***Support from HCP with this would be a key component in the bid.***

Action Groups:

Biodiversity Action Group: Current projects include Borrer Bank pollination area plus other possible area at Manor Way, Plant a Tree day on 30th November, hedgehog support, community composting and more. Many of these are in co-operation with other local community groups.

Carbon Reduction Group: is contacting BHESCO and BEC regarding the possibility of a local energy project on community buildings in Henfield. Has also produced example Carbon Footprint data for typical Henfield residents

Transport Action groups: Projects include considering the idea of an ***Electric Vehicle show next summer with HCP?*** Still investigating the car club and also looking at Walk to School initiatives.

Consumer Action Group: Has moved several projects forward: Repair Café will be monthly at the Haven on 2nd Saturday. Probably from March 2020, local recycling programme being set up with wider community benefits and Plastic Free Henfield is now up and running.