

Derbyshire Dales Green Group Meeting Minutes

7pm, The Remarkable Hare, Matlock

01/10/2019

Attendees:

Matt Buckler (chair) (Cllr: Stanton),	John Youatt	Jess Hind
John Hill (membership sec)	Ivan Dixon	Liz Pasteur
Darren Yates (Electoral Returning Officer, DGP)	Caroline Hallett	Steve Martin
Richard Rowlatt	Emma Hickling	John Ward

(1) Apologies:

John Green, Paul Stevens, Neil Buttle (Cllr: Tideswell)

(2) Arisings from previous meeting

Previous minutes accepted.

- (1) Action to seek non-alcohol venues is still not closed. 4 venues were suggested for further investigation: Community Room at the Ark Leisure Centre, Methodist Hall on Smedley Street, Starkholmes Village Hall, Whitworth Centre.
Action: Steve Martin and Emma Hickling to find costs and availability for these 4 venues.
- (3.5) Funding for General Election
Liz Pasteur has set up the crowdfunding page.
Caroline Hallett and Jess Hind have suggested a social event/fund raiser of showing a film at the Northern Lights cinema. Everyone to think of ideas for a film. This could also be run in conjunction with Transition Wirksworth
Action. Caroline Hallett to investigate costs
- 5.2: Councillors to update their page on the Dales website – not closed
- 6.0 Hen Harrier Day contacts. Action not completed yet as John Hill's computer was out of action.
Action: John Hill
- 7.0 Volunteers. John Ward now has access to the social media feeds (facebook, twitter and the Derbyshire Green party website), and will be able to post content onto these feeds.

(3) Parliamentary constituency candidate selection update

(3.1) Nominations results

23 people voted: 21 for Matt, 2 for Richard. Matt Buckler has therefore been elected as the Green Party Prospective Parliamentary Candidate for Derbyshire Dales.

It was noted that there were problems with the online voting process. This was caused by various technical issues: this is the first time that an online vote has been organised by this group. However, it was agreed that the election results will stand.

Actions for publication:

- **John Youatt to Issue a press release**
- **John Ward to publicise on social media**
- **John Hill to send out an email to Derbyshire Green Party members announcing the selection of Matt and a link to the crowdfunder page asking members to help fund the deposit and election expenses.**

(3.4) Unity Update

Contact has been made with the Labour party but they have not yet got a candidate.

Action: Matt Buckler to contact the candidate for the Lib Dems.

(4) Derbyshire Dales Green Party Group Coordinators Report

This report was circulated with the agenda. No matters arising.

(5) Councillor reports

At the Derbyshire Dales council meeting on Thursday 26 September the Climate Change Working Group published a proposed road map to assist with the District Council's pledge to become carbon neutral by 2030. This report from the Climate Change working group is published in the [agenda of the Council's meeting](#).

(7) Volunteers and Officers

It was agreed that we need an additional member within the Derbyshire Dales who has access to CiviCRM. This is the database that holds all members current emails: is the only way to ensure that we are using an up to date mailing list to contact members. This additional person would ensure that communications can be sent out in a timely fashion to all members. It has been suggested that this role should be called "Derbyshire Dales Data Access Officer". John Ward has offered to carry out this role.

Action: John Hill to investigate how John Ward can be made an officer of the Derbyshire Green Party and gain access to CiviCRM.

Action: John Hill and John Youatt to get together to look at how mailing out to groups works in CiviCRM.

(10) AOB

Steve Martin has printed some business cards for the Derbyshire Dales campaign group. These are designed to be handed out to anyone we meet at events (or elsewhere) who express an interest in our group. The cards give details of our website address so that people can find out about us and our meetings. If you attend events and want some of these cards to hand out please contact Steve Martin.

(9) Next meeting

Wednesday 30 October, 19:00, Remarkable Hare

Chair: John Youatt