

Sustainable Morchard meeting notes, 8<sup>th</sup> of April 2026

Present Paul Tully, Paul Ticehurst, Julie, Sheila.

Apologies Steve Watson, Bunk, Tony

### **1. Film showing 14<sup>th</sup> of April**

Everyone to arrive at 6:30 PM to set up.

Tony, Sheila and Sue from Beech Hill will all bake a cake. It was decided that refreshments would be served at the beginning.

Steve Watson will bring milk, tea and coffee, and a float? Steve to let everyone know if unable to do this. Also a query was raised as to whether Steve had any donation boxes. It was decided not to worry too much about this as if needed just a bowl could be used, or something.

Paul Ticehurst will contact Steve Leese about taking care of the tech. A laptop will be needed to show the Stork film which is on YouTube ([Coming home: Returning white storks to the land](#)). A query was raised as to whether the Internet at the hall will be adequate for showing the stork film. A query was also raised about whether the hall will provide a laptop or not.

Bunk will do the intros, and the producers of the Stork film will introduce that one (Dorette Engi).

### **2. Plant swap - 2<sup>nd</sup> of May**

Do we need to remind Robert Lidcott nurseries?

Publicity will be needed. Will go into the messenger, deadline is on Sunday for that.

It was assumed that Bunk will adapt the flyer from last year and send to Paul. Paul will send on to Julie to share on social media. We agreed that Julie will take care of all social media sharing including the Gigs Around WhatsApp group and Sustainable Crediton fb group. Paul will take care of sending the flyer via e-mail. It was agreed it would also be good to have some flyers to put out for the film showing next week on Tuesday.

### **3. Morfest - 23rd of May**

Couldn't really discuss much due to not enough people at meeting. It was mentioned that we would prepare everything on the Friday before the festival and the big bins from the sports field that are used for the vintage fair are going to be used for the recycling. To be discussed further at the next meeting on the 13th of May.

### **4. Roles (chair and minute taker)**

Paul Ticehurst queried if the current method of rotating the roles is working going forward. It was mentioned that most people don't like minute taking. Julie to look into the possibility of using AI to record the minutes which would solve this problem.

It was agreed that Paul Tulley will chair the next meeting and Bunk will take minutes. It was decided that whoever is chairing should ideally post an agenda to the group before the meeting.

#### **5. South Hams Habitat Group [gardening for wildlife](#) booklet**

It was agreed this would be great to get printed. The habitat group can take care of adding Sustainable Morchard to the front cover and our contact details on the back and they will then send us a PDF for printing. Paul Tulley has an approximate estimate of £500 for printing. It was agreed that we should go ahead with this (in lieu of approval from people not present). Paul Tulley will contact the habitat group to see how much they would ask to take care of the printing as well and Bunk will contact Hedgerow print in Crediton for an estimate also.

It was suggested it could be inserted into the messenger. This would be great publicity for the group and to generally encourage people to create more wildlife friendly gardens.

#### **6. Garden and Produce Show - 6th of June**

Sustainable Morchard will sponsor a category prize again.

It was agreed it would be good to have the gardening for wildlife booklet ready at the same time but this probably isn't realistic.

#### **7. Bowls**

Paul Ticehurst interested in promoting the Bowling Club as it's currently losing members.

There will be some practice nights coming up where new people can give it a try (without wearing the usual bowling uniform). He gave a letter to Paul Tully with information about this and Paul will look into finding people that might be interested in this from Beech Hill.

#### **8. Autumn film or talk?**

It was queried whether or not we would be showing another film or talk in the autumn and if so what? This should go on the agenda for the next meeting.

Next meeting will be the 13th of May.

