



Minutes

Name of Meeting	Environment & Sustainability Forum	
Date and Time	20.04.23 at 13:00	
Venue	Microsoft Teams	
Attendees	Name	Name
	Holly Jones	Natasha Dix
	Abigail Reynolds	Ella Cooke
	Robert Packham	Jess Higgins
	John Hobart	Chris Quirk
	Sarah Talbot	Dina Jung
	Bronwen Van Strien	Hayley Willis
	Helena Hewston	Fiona Fitzherbert-Brockholes
	Katie Churchill	Marianne Sullivan
	Sally	
1. <u>Welcome and housekeeping</u>		
1.1 ND - welcomed everyone. This is our first afternoon session to allow different audiences to come at different time. Previous minutes agreed.		
2. <u>Ways to Reduce Waste</u>		
2.1 Ella Cooke from our waste services provider displayed and provided presentation on Ways to Reduce Waste.		
<p>Q. Sarah: How much are we trying to stop the production of plastic? How much pressure is being put on supermarkets to reduce the plastic wrap?</p> <p>A. Ella - there is changes happening, they are changing from plastic bags for loose veg/fruit to paper or reusable bag.</p> <p>Holly advised there was a story recently where Sainsburys switched to vacuum packed mince to reduce packaging and received thousands of complaints because people didn't like it - so there's possibly a long way to go with consumers as well as supermarkets.</p> <p>Natasha – In January 2023 the Government announced there will be a far-reaching ban on single use plastic from October 2023. Link provided https://www.gov.uk/government/news/far-reaching-ban-on-single-use-plastics-in-england</p>		

<p>Q. Bronwen – from construction point, we would like to use more reuse construction waste as there is a lot of innovative things you can do with recycled and reclaimed things. What are the avenues on the island to reuse and recycle the construction materials?</p>	
<p>A. Natasha- reclamation is something we as council we have looked at a few times. In the future when we have finished construction talking with our partners at Forest Park about we are going to put forward a reuse facility which picks items up from HWRC or if there is a wider opportunity to look at a reclamation yard.</p>	
<p>Q. Jess – How do we contact you to arrange a talk and presentation?</p>	
<p>A. Ella advised to Contact the Waste team on 01983 823777 or waste.contract@iow.gov.uk who will pass details through.</p>	
<p>Q. John – can you take agriculture plastic be taken to Lynnbottom</p>	
<p>A. Ella will take this question away and will provide answer to Natasha pass on.</p>	
<p>3. <u>Pre-submitted questions</u></p>	
<p>3.1 None submitted</p>	
<p>4. <u>AOB</u></p>	
<p>4.1 John asked what are we doing about education our primary school to understand environment issues? ND advised we are currently rolling out Eco schools. Ella is working with primary school to regarding waste.</p>	