



Report to Parish Council from the Hambledon Greening Working Group: Monday February 7th 2022

Repair Café:

- Two local Repair Cafés have been visited recently by HGC supporters (Havant, Meon Valley at Waltham Chase and Overton) in order to ensure best practice when the Denmead and Hambledon Repair Café opens in late March (DTBA).
- An application for the HCC Waste Prevention Grant is being prepared (deadline Feb 22nd).

Recycling:

- Hambledon WI has very kindly made 4 sustainable bags with ID to put in Hambledon School and Pre-School to store recycled milk bottle tops and crisp packets, prior to HGC collecting and taking them to Denmead Recycling Centre.
- Penny Mahon attended last Sunday's voluntary group at Denmead Recycling Centre to help sort the recycled materials as part of their rota. HGC will aim to support this at least monthly.

Retrofit:

- A Heat Survey form has been sent to all HGC supporters, posted on FB and on the website, to ask if anyone would like a thermal image taken of their homes to check on its thermal efficiency. The cost is £5 per photograph. We have had 10 responses so far and hope for more. This initiative is being organised by Alasdair MacKenzie.

Rewilding:

- Nigel Foster is following up the possibility of renting the glebeland behind the tennis court for parish use.

Little Green Van:

- HGC has been encouraging Rosie Blackburn, with significant enthusiasm from our supporters, in her efforts to come to Hambledon with her van. It has now been agreed that she can use the Village Hall car-park on the third Saturday of every month from 9-12pm, beginning Feb 19th. This would seem to be an excellent opportunity for people to purchase plastic-free, zero-waste products in an accessible way.

We remain grateful as always for the support of the Parish Council.

Dr Penny Mahon (secretary of HGC)