FEP mtg Zoom 4:00 17th May 2022

Attendees: RobF. PhilipP. Robin. Fliss. Charmian Lorely(notes).

Apologies: Dean, RobH Bold - current actions.

Accounts:

*Robin has passed accounts to new Accountant. (Laing Bennetts - £240 per year plus £50 VAT every 3 months).

*Robin to approach Paul Martin for loan agreement documentation from Low Carbon Fund.

Reports:

*Charmian reported on Chacewater Energy Meeting 28th April.. 86 attendees with wide ranging talks, (unfortunately no cohesive community energy strategy/mechanism yet.) Report John Carley now available.

Coming events: Fliss may be attending some of the following with FEP promotional material.

*Sat 28th May: Stithians: Home Insulation and energy technologies.

*Fri to Sun: 3 -5th June: Kernow Transformed: Holifield: music and workshops.

*15th June Environment Day: Penryn Campus.

*Sat 18th June: Climate and Sustainability Event: Mabe. (Tessa Kingsley and Mark Smith) Robin assisiting.

*26th May: E Bikes in Cornwall. TEVI event.

Community initiatives:

*Charmian producing an open letter/ response to Cornwall Council's Local Area Energy Plan; draft to be disseminated for feedback and support from energy groups and businesses asap; for presentation to CCC.

*Constantine have shown 'Patagonia ' film.

*Robin to report on Constantine energy activities and other local energy strategies.

*Roseland Energy group REACT active using 2 RSEF funds for local energy studies.

*Helston ongoing (Charmian involved) 2 solar projects. Charmian hoping to report end July.

*Community Network Area: Ongoing.

*Building for Humanity – new organisation set up locally, similar activities to Community Energy Plus. Seems to be some competition! **Fliss** to explore.

Promo:

*Dracaena promotion: Lorely to approach local reporter (Falmouth Packet) to do article on Dracaena project.

*Claire Wollerstein: Cornwall community filmmaker. Charmian and Fliss to approach her re possible film for FEP.

Dracaena

* Panels insurance and cleaning ongoing. ONM agreement may need to be completed before next insurance date.

*'Accelerated loss of mains change' (Western Power grid) ongoing.

Website and email:

*Rob sorting the individual falenergy email/mailbox addresses for new email server. Nearly all have completed.

*Update of website to continue. Photos of Dracaena now on site.

*Info@falenergy currently goes to Lorely and Charmian.

Strategy:

*Energy Poverty: Dracaena Energy café (Energy Saving Advice) RobH has had support letter from Richard May.

*Potential projects: Hotel in Falmouth with increasing laundry bill: **Lorely** to suggest looking into solar thermal and seawater heat pump. Local factory **Robin** to suggest solar panels.

*Charmian to produce a draft personal spec for a short contract project worker. Duties to include: Admin support. Website content. Campaigning. Energy advice. Community projects. Advice surgeries. Liasing with local and Cornwall Town Councils. Identifying reputable companies for energy work etc.

Misc

*Community Power Cornwall AGMs starting May. (Suggestion that FEP may become a shareholder) Ongoing.

*Electric Bikes: Sarah Wetherill to report soon.

*Lorely to find out about current activities of Steve Ford and Ben Simpson.

*AGM: to await current Accounts report from new Accountant. Possibly July. Online / outdoor celebration.

*Offgrid installations: Lorely to approach Justin Hinshawlwood: Renewables Exeter Uni.

Meeting finished approx 5: 45

Meetings: every 3rd Tuesday of the month, 4pm: *Next meeting Tuesday 21st June 4pm Zoom.

Agenda June: *Strategy: *Plan celebration of 3 years Dracaena.. *AGM planning. *Green Homes.