**Transition Black Isle and Highland Community Waste Partnership**

Trustee Report – Laura Donnelly 21/04/23

**HCWP Objective specific action**

* 1. Climate conversation and café

First Black Isle Climate Café evening being held at NO 19 café Avoch 26th April 23 6:30pm. Attended Velocity’s climate café to gain experience and shape format.

**2.3** Highland Repair Directory

Part of the HCWP working group contributing to the development of a share and repair directory. Currently mapping recycling points across our own areas. (Input from trustee group most welcome)

**2.6** Improving links to reuse and repair networks.

Part of work being carried out under 2.3. Investigating and creating informal recycling points at the Repair Café and Markets.

**3.2** Food waste challenge (Household Campaign)

Part of the HCWP working group creating an online and guided household food waste challenge. Draft program created and being shaped by working group. Currently mapping out online and physical resources. Moo food / Love Food Hate Waste (Input from trustee group most welcome)

**3.5** Community Composting

Currently arranging a field trip to Fort Augustus community composting site for inspiration and ideas. Maru (Rosemarkie Beach Café/ Crocket resident interested in attending. HCWP Les form Lochaber attending and Reina Good Food Partnership arranging and factoring in Business Waste toolkit demonstration with Maru/Beach Cafe)

**4.3** Reusable pilots for food, take-away or delivery.

(No progress)

**4.8** Reusable period or nappy products

Contacted the Nappy Network with no response. HCWP project Officer Jo from Lairg has ran some nappy making workshops and is happy to deliver or share a recording from her workshop.

**General Activity**

Supporting elements of development such as recording data and attending Black Isle Repair Café to spread the word of HCWP activities and support – Reporting numbers engaged, items presented and repaired, weight saved form landfill, and qualitative data to HCWP. (2.3 and 2.6) Met with Hannah MacSween, Project Officer at Muir of Ord Hub. Secured venue for Repair Café event in May and potential location for Climate Action Film Nights. Seeking ways to support swap-shop development as part of HCWP objectives.

In process of arranging event at Rosemarkie Beach Café: Composting and community engagement focused. Toni from Good Food Partnership collaborating/composting demonstration.

Contributing to Black Isle Food Festival working group – September 23rd (Findon Hall) Hold a food waste information stall and show demo’s from MOO food You Tube channel using food waste to cook meals. Investigating link from Julie (Fiona King) to deliver fermentation and/or composting workshop’s. Gazebo required for event. Linking into HCWP and Highland Climate Festival for promotion.

Involved in supporting Zero Waste Event with Black Isle Repair Café for a gala/engagement type of event in June, Avoch. Composting workshop being delivered by Toni Good Food Partnership.

Change X Green Plan – Supporting elements of the Cromarty Green Plan. Providing home energy monitors/promoting through HCWP channels

Development of community engagement plan. Door knocking and engagement events. Rose and I trialing door knocking in Avoch 21st April PM to engage residents and promote climate café event.

**Meetings / Workshops Attended**

How to make Hugelkultur (no-dig) raised beds – Good Food Partnership April 3rd

Opportunity Black Isle, Your Place Your Future events various locations through March 23

Presentation for students visiting Velocity arranged by Scottish Rural Action 27th March

Circular Communities Scotland ‘National Members Forum 29th March Circular Communities Scotland Marketing 101: Success in Socials Seminar 23RD Feb

Climate Action Fund Virtual Coffee Morning 15th March / CAF Food Waste 18th April