

Sustainable Cupar Fruit and Blossom Minutes

Time and Date: Wednesday 8 January 2020 19.30

Venue: Cupar Community Fire Station

Present: Sarah Davidson, Norma Alari, Beth Harvie, Louise Harvie, Joy Nicolson, Lindy MacLean, Meg Sloan, Bryan Rollo, Rob Brodie, Pat Mitchell

Apologies: Joan Brown

	Action
1) Minutes of the previous meeting Minutes agreed by Louise Harvie and Norma Alari	
2) Wassail The weather is not looking good for Saturday. Sunday looks much better therefore it was decided to take a decision on Saturday as to whether we delay the Wassail until Sunday. <i>Other Actions for the day:</i> --Bring out copies of the Wassail Song. --Send invites to the Bell Baxter Eco groups. --Tealights and jam jars --Check if the Piper can make Sunday as well as Saturday. --Risk Assessment --Loan of the firepit <i>Order for the event will be as follows:</i> 15:30 – Set up 16:30 – Piper opens the event Beth and Freddie - Welcome Speech Apple Juice for the trees and feeding the birds Wassail Song Other Poem's songs and stories Waking the trees Joan – Closing Speech (Louise and Beth leave the meeting)	Louise Beth Sarah Louise Joy Andy and Jenny

<p>3) Orchard Walk</p> <p>On Saturday Lindy, Norma, Sarah and Meg attended the Orchard Working Day. On Sunday 12th January a further pruning session will be held.</p> <p>The next working day will be Sunday 2nd February.</p> <p>The orchard benches need some attention and a good clean we're still awaiting advice on the one bench with the split</p> <p>Following the meeting with regards to the sewage we are no further forward. Scottish Water see the issue as low priority as it doesn't affect a domestic property or farmland.</p> <p>Action: All are asked to look out for sewage debris following heavy rainfall</p>	<p>All members</p>
<p>4) Fruit Cage</p> <p>The fruit requires pruning. Raspberries which are blight resistant could be planted where the previous canes died, although there is the risk that they might also suffer from blight. Pruning should be done by the end of February so it will aim to be part of the February work day.</p>	
<p>5) Apple Pressing</p> <p>Sixteen pouches are left.</p>	
<p>6) Wall planner</p> <p>It was agreed that December's month would focus on pruning whilst January's would focus on cleaning the greenhouse and checking fruit in storage. Harvesting medlars could also feature in December's page.</p>	
<p>7) AOCB</p> <p>Westfield's Wassail is due to take place on 19th February at 11:30</p>	

Meeting closed at: 21.00

Next meeting date: 12/02/2020

Signed:..... Date:

Group Coordinator