

## **Raunds Goes Green**

### **Working Party**

**11<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Present:** Cllr R Levell, Cllr O Curtis, Mrs Anja Curtis, Ms Gemma Russo, Miss K Houlihan (Town Clerk)

**Apologies:** Cllr L Wilkes, Cllr H Howell.

**Background:** The Town Council had previously considered various environmental projects and a number of suggestions had been received from residents.

The ELR committee had therefore proposed to pull all the projects under the umbrella of “Raunds Goes Green” and a budget of £12,000 had been set in the 2019/20 to implement various green initiatives.

**Purpose** The purpose of the meeting was to record all the suggestions made so far, to brainstorm any new ideas and to begin to form a strategy about how the ideas could be implemented.

**Categories:** The working party considered that there were a number of different groups of people that could be targeted for the project.

- Education
- Motorists
- Householders
- Shops /Businesses
- Schools
- Restaurants
- The Town Council

### **Brainstorming**

The brainstorming exercise came up with the following suggestions:

- **Green Scheme** – Businesses make a “pledge” to go green and receive recognition from the Town Council e.g. “green sticker”
- **Link to Manor School Shop?** Encourage use of bamboo toilet paper / kitchen roll and other eco-friendly products (The working group believes Manor School may set up a shop in the town to be run by pupils, could RTC support a green product stand within the shop)
- **Refill Revolution**
- Raunds Goes Green shopping bags / water bottles

- Solar lighting
- Street Lighting / Shop Lighting – Low energy/ reduced
- Cleaning products
- Water stations/ refill stations
- Enterprise Centre – (does it have “green strategy”)
- Electronic meeting packs (software platform)
- Encourage bikes / walking /
- Electric car charging points
- discourage car usage
- Social media / educate residents
- “5 easy swaps”
- schools involvement
- Find sponsors
- Funding – McDonalds/KFC
- Recycling bins at our events and in the town
- What happens to our waste
- [terracycling](#) – (recycling of off beat items crisp packets, cat food pouches etc etc..)
- Reduce Food waste – fruitful abundance, use food after best before dates, make a meal from leftovers.
- takeaway shops recyclable packaging
- Incentives to reuse takeaway containers
- Bag recycling
- Stop using cable ties – use bungees instead
- Recyclable banners

The working party then categorised the ideas based on cost and ease of implementation.

**Ease/Cost Matrix of implementing ideas**

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Enterprise Centre Ideas  
Green Scheme  
Restaurant Packaging  
Bamboo Materials – toilet paper/ kitchen roll  
Education in schools

Electric car chargers  
Solar / LED lighting  
Find sponsors

Refill water bottles  
Own coffee cup – for discount  
Own bags  
Business green pledge  
Cable ties/bungee ties  
Fruitful abundance  
Cleaning products

Out of cars  
Plastic bag recycling  
Terracycling  
Recycling bins / events  
Less paper for council meeting  
What happens to our waste  
Refill stations

COST