APPENDIX 17

## **Transition Town Haslemere**

## Link Councillor Update – Claire Matthes

July 2021

Transition Haslemere held their first 'live' monthly 'Green Drinks' at The Mill on the first Thursday of July, after a long lockdown period of holding them on Zoom. We talked wildflowers, dormice, orchards, wildflowers, beavers and basically just really enjoyed meeting up in person again. To join us, email <u>info@transitionhaslemere.org</u>. *All welcome*.

**On the allotment**... most allotment beds are planted up and have already been harvesting early produce, such as mange tout, parsley, chives and fennel. If you would like to join them in Saturday morning sessions, email as above.

*At the Farmers' Market*.... June's farmers market was lively. There were more stalls than there have been at the market for some time. With vegan and organic food options, local honey, Wildlife Trust stall and Transition, there was a clear underlying sustainability ethos. Transition were also there with the secondhand book stall on Saturday 3 July, a quieter affair perhaps due to less clement weather.

About partnership work with the Active Travel group ..... The local active travel group, of which Transition are part, presented its active travel proposals to the town council on 7 July, emphasising the proposal for a cross-town 20mph area and asking for the council's support resubmitting the application for funding for the purchase and installation of cycle planter stands across the town. Lisa is circulating the presentation slides for those councillors who were unable to attend

If you'd like to know more, get involved or receive the monthly newsletter, email <u>info@transitionhaslemere.org</u>

**Claire Matthes** 

TRANSITION HASLEMERE – a brief reminder...

Transition Haslemere is a local voluntary group taking action on **climate change** and the **long-term sustainability** of our environment for ourselves, our children and the generations to come.

We are part of the international Transition Town movement that encourages communities to come together to develop local practical solutions to the challenges of climate change and sustainability. The key characteristic of a transition town initiative is that it comes from the **community**.