

'Alliance Agreement'

Brixton Parish Council



1) recognises that forming an 'Alliance' between the 5 Parish Councils (PC) of Brixton, Holbeton, Newton and Noss, Wembury and Yealmpton will provide a valuable resource that each PC can use at their own discretion, for example:

- Support from neighbouring Councils in positively addressing the climate emergency
- The opportunity to share knowledge, experience and best-practice
- A 'data-base' of information
- Preventing Councils, and Councillors, from feeling isolated and overwhelmed
- Making the process of positively addressing the climate emergency easier and more efficient
- Funding and financial support (already the Alliance is being recognised and offered valuable funding opportunities that could bring huge benefit to our parishes).
- Sharing resources (we have already shared documents such as Climate Emergency motions, Environment Policies etc)
- More lobbying power (as a joined-up force)
- A comprehensive list (menu) of actions to positively address the Climate Emergency (and improve the environment/biodiversity) that each PC can draw upon and tailor to the specific requirements of their parish.
- The ability to implement 'cross-parish' initiatives (Wildlife corridors, sustainable transport links etc)
- A platform to create a 'joined-up' approach by bringing together residents, businesses and organisations
- Potential to network with, and reap the benefits of, all the 'Partners' of the Alliance

2) also recognises that the only commitment in joining the Alliance is that our Council shares the 'Aim' and 'Values' of the Alliance, and is represented on the Alliance 'Steering Group'.

3) therefore, accordingly resolves to support the formation of the Alliance as set out below:

Name

The Yealm Climate Emergency and Environment Action Alliance

Members

The Alliance is led by the Parish Councils of Brixton, Holbeton, Newton and Noss, Wembury and Yealmpton.

Partners

To be confirmed (possible examples include: South Dartmoor Community Energy, Yealm Community Energy, National Trust, Flete Estate etc etc)

Aim

To positively address the climate emergency by reducing carbon emissions, and to improve the environment and biodiversity in the five parishes of Brixton, Holbeton, Newton and Noss, Wembury and Yealmpton.

Values

We believe that:

- The Climate Emergency should form the basis of every decision we make, and every action we take.
- We should do everything within our power to restore the natural environment and the biodiversity that supports it; providing stability to the ecosystem and maintaining ecological balance.
- We should support everyone within our parishes (residents, businesses and organisations) to positively address the Climate Emergency.
- We should collaborate with all available partners (locally, nationally and internationally) to positively address the Climate Emergency.
- Higher levels of government should provide the funding and resources required to positively address the Climate Emergency.

Adopted at the meeting of Brixton Parish Council

All councillors pledged – Cllr Hitchins, Cllr Wills, Cllr Wakeham, Cllr Calvert, Cllr Parish, Cllr Huxtbale, Cllr Martin, Cllr Du Pont and Cllr Williams

Wednesday 18th December 2019