

Ways to Protect the Environment



Date	Monday 21 July 2025	Time	3 - 4
Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sarah O'Connor (Ellacombe Community Partnership) ● Davina Luther (Torbay Communities) ● Jed Stevenson (LocalMotion) ● Lisa Money ● Johanna Morrell ● Rebekah Daws 		

Agenda
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● catch up & celebrations ● Rowntree bid update ● setting priorities for September
Summary

catch up & celebrations

- The meeting began with casual conversation and updates from the participants. Davina shared that she is working on an exciting new project that is confusing some people, while Lisa, Jed, and Sarah provided brief updates on their own work.
- Sarah provided details on the "Great Coastal Adventure" programme she is running this summer, which involves various environmental and outdoor activities for young people. The group discussed potential funding sources and ways to increase participation, as well as the challenge of engaging youth who may be more interested in technology than hands-on experiences.
- The group had an in-depth discussion about the need to provide more platforms for young people to have their voices heard, especially around environmental issues. They acknowledged the challenges of working within existing systems and institutions, and explored ideas for creating new, youth-led initiatives that could serve as "lifeboats for the future."

Rowntree Foundation Bid

- Register by Aug, submit by Sep. Based off the CAF bid. It did align with Greener Way for the Bay but no action has been taken on the Action Plan. Jo to dig deeper into more enviro funds as some some aren't suitable for collaboration

Setting Priorities for September/AOB

- Jed: Combining this meeting and the food group might help with capacity. Involving youth voice in Parkfield action.
- The group had an in-depth discussion about the need to provide more platforms for young people to have their voices heard, especially around environmental issues.
- Rebekah suggested the Children & Young People Awards may be a way to identify and engage future activists.
- They acknowledged the challenges of working within existing systems and institutions, and explored ideas for creating new, youth-led initiatives that could serve as "lifeboats for the future."
- Lisa proposed the idea of organising an annual or semi-annual film festival that would showcase stories of young environmental activists and leaders from around the world, as a way to inspire and empower local youth. The group agreed this could be a valuable initiative to explore further.

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