Environment PDG

List of ideas that the group may wish to add to the work plan

- The option of community municipal bonds as a way to increase revenue for renewable energy projects (i.e. EV Charging Points, wind farms, etc.).
- Workplace parking levies to encourage car sharing in the district / more use of public transport.
- Working with the communications team to create local guides of accredited local business with strong green credentials (carbon neutral / B Corp).
- Increased Solar PV at Council-owned buildings. Reduction in business rates for those that wish to install clean energy solutions.
- Feasibility of community composting schemes.
- Lower cost/free parking for electric vehicles at district owned sites.
- Feasibility of becoming a zero food-waste district. This is something that is happening in Bristol, with campaigns to support education (here) and updates in relation to what happens to food waste (biogas for green buses, etc.).
- Food redistribution schemes through the council.
- Repair cafes and green markets / free business workshops on reducing waste.
- Working with local businesses (i.e. Pipers Farm) on local food growing workshops for residents (reduction in food waste from supermarkets).
- Small electrical donation schemes.
- Facilitation of the rolling out of EV chargers, like the DELETTI programme in Devon and Somerset.
- Feasibility of cross-county co-operation on recycling centres.
- Rolling out of refillable water stations in town highstreets / at council buildings.

Additionally:

- What is our current tree planting strategy? Is there a target in mind?
- Do we have a green procurement policy? Should we?