

MINUTES OF ECCO COMMITTEE MEETING NOVEMBER 12TH 2008

Present: Neil Jones, Stephen Nugent, Phil. Stephenson, Peter West, Colin Young, Nick King.

Apologies: Susan Sanders, Jenny Smith, Tony Smith, Yvette Black.

ECCO Environment Awards: Successful nominees to be announced at the next general meeting on November 26th. Peter, Stephen and Nick to inspect the native garden of Sandra and Owen Robinson at a time convenient. Entries for the environment awards close on November 14th.

Walk against Warming: Nick and Neil to meet Thursday 3.30 to tie up loose ends re: organization for Walk against Warming on Saturday 22nd Nov.

Carbon Farming Conference: There will be a carbon farming conference to be held in Orange this coming Saturday, November 15th. The emphasis will be on carbon sequestration.

Guest speaker for ECCO general meeting Nov. 26th. Peter Napier from Orange High School would like to address the meeting concerning future development of the Orange High School agriculture department land on Kearney's Drive. Stephen to contact other previously scheduled speakers before Nick approaches Peter.

Proposed sale of Public Land at Lucknow: Neil has received information from a Lucknow resident that the State government may be proposing the sale of public land at Lucknow. Neil to further investigate.

Draft Local Environment Plan: A draft copy of Orange's Local Environment Plan will be available to the Sustainable Development Committee by Monday, December 15th.

Anglican Grammar School: Has been approved. There will be conditions imposed concerning the entry and exit of traffic. Information about this application will be available on Council's website on Friday, November 15th.

Community Representation on Strategic Planning and Land Use Community committee: Correspondence received from Orange City Council inviting representation from ECCO on the above committee. Neil to send out an email re: the various Orange City Council committees to ECCO members, inviting those who are interested to make application to join a committee.

Possible Earth First Article roster:

Yvette to research being Green at work ideas for a future article.

Nick to write a Walk against Warming article

Neil to do an article on carbon farming

Stephen to do an article on the winners of the ECCO awards

Next Committee meeting: Wednesday, December 10th.

Nick King- Secretary