Ideas generated for the development of the gardens and their role in community building and education in caring for the environment

Community

The need for community rather than meetings

The community must feel ownership of the project

We must have the support of the Parish Priest and the Parish

Social events e.g. picnic

Apples – apple pie competition or apple dunking

Apples – Foodbank [but nowhere to store so only a few on Monday and Friday mornings] and Cookery Club [Thursday morning - some might be used]

Publicity and education

Keep the issue live

Publicise a lot more

Newsletter contributions – School and Parish but maybe a specific newsletter one for this group

Presentation at a Parish Forum or a specific event

Put something together to convert people (specific paper)

More generally, write papers to educate and inform within the Parish

People need to see what they are getting for their money

We need someone good with social media

Tap into the social media expert parent

Local press

The power of children to educate us

Renovation, development and rewilding of the gardens

Hedges if not trees in the field area 15 trees for Parish or School? Willow will grow readily and grow roots in water alone We need perhaps another 100 bags of woodchip Learn from the Wild Life Trust on rewilding Half-barrel pond

Funding and procurement

Ownership and control of land – implications for procurement and safeguarding Bid for the £500 funding for School or Parish

Grants – e.g. River Trust and another source associated with Whalley

Get a costing for soft play area

Ear to the ground for surplus materials going to waste – e.g. the polytunnel which was to be scrapped, but for someone else it was worth the cost of dismantling and transport 16 surveyors in the area – Steven Jackson is St M&J