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26th April 2022			
11. Ecological Emergency Action Plan 2021-2025 - Progress Report	ACTION: Useful links where interested parties can sign-up to and find out about activities and local parks and green spaces groups, to be sent to Members.	Jon James Head of Service for Natural and Marine Environment	<p>The following information was sent to the Commission:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. General information on Volunteering in Parks is on the BCC website. 2. Bristol Parks Forum – recommend signing up to this mailing list. Run by Volunteers, it’s a great way to stay abreast of volunteer opportunities, funding and all things Parks. There is also a really useful “members page” where you can find other park group contact details. 3. ParkWork – a reminder that we have Joe (Joe.McKenna@bristol.gov.uk) who runs ParkWork, a project which gives people formal skills in Parks maintenance when they’ve disconnected with education/employment. You can commission Joe to work alongside you on any larger/technical projects you decide to take on in your park. Joe has a £280 daily rate which can be fundraised for, whether that be through a local community grant funding pot or some wider CIL/Section 106 money. Through this charge, Joe can continue working with the group of volunteers he trains to access career paths and re-connect with education.

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			<p>4. H&S Training to be covered under BCC's insurance – for groups who wish to lead regular group work days in their local park. We provide monthly training for these volunteer leaders. Once trained, we can lend tools if given advance warning, which you can collect from our volunteer tools store at Sea Mills or Eastville. We advise groups to look to fund their own tools in the long term, if you're going to be using them frequently.</p> <p>5. Health & Safety Training recap and videos – we now have several YouTube videos, which can support H&S trained group leaders to continue running their group sessions safely.</p>