

Permaculture Education Working Groups & Actions

The following groups were established at the National Permaculture Teachers' meeting at the Sustainability Centre in March 2010:

Group 1. Quality Development (including apprentice teacher development & OCN accreditation)

Core team: Looby Macnamara (lead), Jan Mulreany, Suzi High, Joanna Dornan

Support: Gemma Suggit, Caroline Malloy, Hannah Thorogood, Joe Atkinson

Action Points:

1. Raise proposal to BoT to become an OCN college (JM)
2. Compile post PDC questionnaire (LM)
3. Create 'survey monkey' version of questionnaire (JA)
4. Develop apprentice teacher development as part of diploma pathway - (JD & JA)

Group 2. Core Curriculum

Core team: Aranya (lead), Peter Cow, Gary Finch

Support: Rod Everett, Tomas Remiarz, Joe Atkinson

Action Points:

1. Find people for Working Group!
2. Identify main teachers (JA to supply)
3. Survey curriculum
4. Define learning outcomes of core subjects
5. Develop optional content guidance notes

Group 3. Marketing

Core team: Kate Hamilton (lead), Gemma Suggitt, Caroline Malloy, Marion Price, Martin Powdrill

Support: Joe Atkinson

Action points:

1. Mapping own skills & resources, PMI of existing outreach & communications
2. Mapping interfaces with other sectors
3. Permaculture Association resources

Group 4. Schools

Core team: Rod Cunningham (Lead), Zoe Scott, Richard Price

Support: Marion Price, Martin Powdrill, Joe Atkinson

Action Points:

1. Establish a list/register of permaculture educators already working with schools (JA)
2. Identify schools looking to incorporate permaculture into activities

Group 5. Web

Core team: Peter Cow (lead), Peter wheat

Support: Aranya, Marion Price, Joe Atkinson

Action points:

1. Look at world cafe priorities
2. Look at report from web perspective
3. Recommendations for the website
4. Compare with current web plan
5. Any quick wins?

Group 6. Links to the Land

Core team:

Support: Rod Everett (lead), Niels Corfield, Gary Finch, Nigel McKean, Jill Strawbridge, Zoe Scott, Joe Atkinson

Action Points:

1. Talk to Louise Cartwright