

# Hailsham and Polegate Report

Diplocks Hall, Hailsham – 21<sup>st</sup> September 2018

The Hailsham and Polegate Network took place at Diplocks Hall in Hailsham. The theme was about fundraising.

At the beginning of the meeting people had mixed feelings about this essential task, but by the end we felt a lot happier and came away with some useful advice and ideas.

Adrian Barrott from Sussex Community Giving gave us his top tips involved in completing applications.

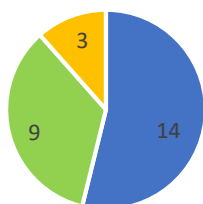


Ollie Pendered from Community Energy South gave us the chance to explore other options for saving money, generating income and thinking about whole community approaches to energy projects. Community Energy South had volunteer energy champions that were available to come to groups and work to reduce fuel poverty.

Forest Row Community Services were able to take part in a village wide scheme by installing energy efficient solar panels on the Grade 2 building! No easy feat but it has brought the community together in this joint venture. A project to generate electricity to sell to the rail companies is beginning in the Cuckmere area.

3VA offers free guides to fundraising and one to one help in getting good governance structures in place. Help is also offered in creating the essential policies required by most funders. Training is also offered to help you set up a community group as well as a modular course on project planning.

Attendance at Hailsham and Polegate Community Network by Sector  
18th July 2018



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