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Neston Earth Group

I attended the August meeting of Neston Earth Group. Progress towards gaining Plastic Free Communities status was discussed and the Town Council has since passed a motion supporting the project (see agenda item 10). I will be attending Plastic Free steering/working group meetings on behalf of the Town Council.

The Neston Earth Group also discussed the issues caused by car idling, primarily outside schools but also on Parkgate Parade. Neston Earth Group members had found it difficult to make any progress on this and I agreed to look into it further to see if there was any support the Town Council might be able to offer. I have done some basic research about collaborative clean air education projects undertaken by other councils to reduce children's exposure to emissions caused by car idling outside schools. Members may wish to consider whether this is something the Sub-committee will take forward as part of its work plan (agenda item 11).

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