

Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting
Monday 2nd November 2015 7.30pm Lion Hotel

Notes

Present	Becky Crothall, Sue Fisher, Judy Coleridge, Tony Green, Frank Oldaker, Philip Pool, Barbara Phillips	
Apologies	Mike Richardson	
Agenda Item	Notes	Action
Notes of meeting 5.10.15	Agreed	
Matters arising from meeting held on 5.10.15	<p>There were quite a few items on the agenda of the last meeting which were not discussed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info from GSX meeting with Clive Wright – for information <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PV installations on Shropshire schools ○ Shropshire Energy Co. SC is setting up an energy company to provide cheaper electricity to residents ○ Sustainability targets. These have been dropped and replaced by an assessment of “social value” ○ SC’s investment in fossil fuels. £77m are invested in fossil fuels. A relatively small sum • Planning. We were been asked to look at an application for a winery at Hencott Farm. Philip considered this and did not object. • Website: There are still outstanding issues: Frank – planning. Barbara – traffic and GSX. • Newport Girls High School. It was suggested that we sent a letter telling them what we had spent their donation on – GG website and Flower Show. Sue agreed to draft a letter. 	BP FO SF
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University College car parking: No mention is made of car parking in the University planning application. Philip will check whether there is parking linked to student accommodation. • Green Guide: People who wrote initial sections are asked to update them and submit to the GG group. Frank – holidays/gardening. Philip – building. Barbara – finance. Becky will explore whether she can hyperlink a Facebook page and liaise with Mike over this. If anyone has ideas for a “hot tip”. Please let Judy know. • Town Centre Traffic: Frank and Barbara to discuss doing a survey of businesses in St Julian’s Friars. At Alan Mosley’s suggestion, the Traffic Group are going to make a presentation at the Shropshire-wide Local Joint Cttee at the Guildhall on 18 November. Matt Johnson has taken over from Andy Savage as the commissioning officer for the Shrewsbury Integrated Transport Package. • Rea Brook litter: Judy wrote to Sarah at Asda to say that the litter is better, but they have not yet implemented what they have suggested. No reply yet. • Sainsbury Food Waste Project: Tony, Frank & Judy went to the meeting with Ali Thomas from Zero Waste which she organised for community groups, so they could input to the submission to be made to Sainsbury’s for £1m funding. Helen Ball has submitted Shrewsbury’s proposal. Result in December. Management of the project is important. • Climate Change Action: Llangollen is organising a coach to go to London on 29 Nov. Jo Blackman is setting up a group to create a huge polar bear for a demo here on 28th. • Flower Show: “Land of Hope & Glory” is subject for outside gardens. There will be a marquee for us, same as this year. The group does not feel overly interested in participating. • AGM: 24th Nov. Diane Monether from Shropshire Wildlife Trust will talk about the consultation 	PP FO PP BP BC all BP FO BP

	<p>re Shrewsbury's green spaces/ Barbara will do a poster. Tony will give verbal report on the accounts and Becky on membership. There will be no verbal co-ordinators' report – circulate in advance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Drinks: 3 Fishes. 15 Dec. We discussed "environmentalist of the year" and suggested a slightly different approach from previous years. Philip will circulate possible names. 	PP
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members' email Barbara to do newsletter, to include: AGM, Climate Change march, food waste 	BP
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hydro Project Planning fully approved. Application for feed-in tariffs been submitted. Debate whether to become a co-operative shareholding or a ltd company. 	
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGM 24th November • 3 November: Planning meeting for 28 Nov climate action, at The Alb. 7.30 	
Next Meeting	<p>Monday 7 December 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel To include: discussion re Treasurer and Membership Secretary</p> <p>NB At January meeting, we will review our objectives</p>	