

Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting
Monday 6th March 2017 7.30pm Lion Hotel

Notes

Present	Tony Green, Frank Oldaker, Krys Welch, Barbara Phillips, Sue Fisher, Philip Pool	
Apologies	Sheila Jones, Mike Richardson, Judy Coleridge	
Agenda Item	Notes	Action
Notes	Notes of business meeting 6.2.17- Agreed	
Matters arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Frank did not send out an email to members for last month Judy not received a receipt from John Vidal for £100 donation. She will bring her bank statement to meeting next month. 	JC
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	<p>GSX</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GSX is in the process of appointing an administrator <p>Sustainable Transport Shropshire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barbara and Peter Gilbert have an appointment with Karen Calder, cabinet member for Health and Wellbeing, on Thursday to discuss the Shrewsbury Vision. They are also planning to speak to the co-ordinator of the Health & Wellbeing Board Some useful questions were put at the last full Shropshire Council meeting about sustainable transport: opening an entrance to the station off Abbey Foregate; the bus strategy; a sustainable transport business case; 20mph zones. Barbara is looking for contacts in other Shropshire towns to discuss sustainable transport and build up a Shropshire-wide vision <p>North West Relief Road and Oxon Link Road</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group met and agreed tasks. Frank contacted CPRE; Emma explored financing of OLR. Sue raised issue of drawing people from other organisations and from the OLR area onto the group Barbara to email members of the group about the DfT WebTAG guidelines re business cases for major road development <p>Rea Brook clean-up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sheila still chasing Asda. Nothing back from Rob Butterworth at region, but more clearing is going on. Sheila planning to offer a walk around the area in the summer <p>Flower Show Waste and Litter</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New manager who appears interested. Sheila been in contact with him re litter. Frank is to meet him re wider sustainability issues. <p>Green Guide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Group been looking at what cafes etc are doing with coffee grounds and encouraging managers to make them available for gardeners. Also visited charity shops about recycling of rags/textiles. Shops vary in what they do. Group is wondering whether to organise a "green rag week"! <p>Planning Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Philip submitted comment re Horticultural Soc's proposal for the Dana steps. He thinks that the proposal will be rejected because English Heritage has objected. Philip is monitoring applications weekly. Retail Park proposal to widen exit. Agreed we will object individually if we want to. SAMDev. Agreed we should respond to consultation. Frank will draft a response as SFoE and circulate it to us for comment. This will then inform the rest of us to be able to respond as individuals. Mike was contacted by a man called Alan Dobson who is campaigning about the installation of a phone mast near his home near Wenlock Edge. Barbara contacted Chris Crean and emailed AD with some suggestions. 	<p>All</p> <p>FO</p> <p>All</p>

	<p>Shropshire Power Shift and Global Divestment Week (5-13th May)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The group campaigning on this is trying to get SC to disinvest its pension funds. • Meeting on 18th May at United Reformed Church 'Operation Noah' re churches disinvesting. <p>Membership.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sylvi reported by email. • 32 paid up members including 3 life members and 3 who have promised to pay. • Sue will work with Sylvi on the remaining names and how best to approach them. <p>UKWIN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donation. Tony was unclear whether he or Frank was paying. Tony will pay donation. 	SF TG
National FoE	<p>Membership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tony reported last month that he has paid membership 	
Communication	<p>4 points Members' email:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bees. NWRR. Local plan. Green Guide re textiles (link to incinerator visit) 	BP
AOB	<p>4 per 1,000 carbon sequestration plan put forward in 2015 by French govt.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barbara to email Chris Crean to see whether FoE is using this. • Krys will research it more (if she wants!) <p>Sue gives apols for meeting next month</p>	BP KW
Dates	22 July "Save money, save waste" event at Hermitage Centre. Stalls.	
Next Meeting	Monday 3rd April 2017- 7.30pm The Lion Hotel	