

Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting
Monday 3 August 7.30pm Lion Hotel

Notes of the Meeting

Present	Judy Coleridge, Barbara Phillips, Sue Fisher, Philip Pool, Tony Green, Frank Oldaker	
Apologies	Mike Richardson, Becky Crothall	
Agenda Item	Notes	Action
Notes of meeting 13.7.15	Agreed	
Matters arising from meeting held on 8.6.15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University College Freshers' Day payment. Require £80 returnable deposit. Frank will pay. • Traffic reduction in St Julian Friars. Effect on businesses – Becky surveying. • Website updates to be sent to Mike: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bees - Frank - outstanding ○ Planning - Frank - “ ○ GSX - Barbara - “ ○ Traffic - Barbara has completed • Global Justice Now. Barbara Emailed them re TTIP 	FO BC FO, BP
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town Centre Traffic Barbara, Sue, Peter Gilbert and Frank did survey of businesses in High St. And Shoplatch. They were generally in favour of our proposal but there are concerns over deliveries. Barbara and Frank met Town Walls residents and although their main concern was traffic on Town Walls some present had wider concerns about traffic issues in the town. Barbara has emailed “Muttley” in reply to their criticism of our proposal. We are seeking meetings with BID group and Shropshire Council. • Flower Show Tony has sent out briefing for use by those staffing the stand. Frank will do flyers and membership forms. Tony and Frank will build stand. • Coal bed methane Licence to drill has expired and farmer will not renew. Consequently IGas have pulled out of the area. Lots of cover in the Shropshire Star. Announcement from the Government expected soon on new areas in England to be made available for drilling. • Rea Brook litter Judy in contact with ASDA and they are active but central approval is taking time. SWLT walking the Rea Brook on 25th August. • SCRN • Judy has emailed Katy Anderson re whether SCRN still exists but no reply. • AGM Judy phoning John Vidal re suitable date so date can be fixed. Possible clashes are 4th Nov – SWLT talk on badgers and vaccination. 29th Nov – Climate marches. • New membership form and subscriptions Frank sending another photo to Becky to complete ready for Flower Show. • Recycling Veolia has been emailed by Judy but have not yet responded to questions. 	FO.TG JC JC FO JC
National FoE	Craig Bennett is new CEO. He has co-signed a letter with other organisations complaining that recent Government policies and actions are “anti green”	
AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In spite of ban on neonicotinoid pesticides crops are reported to be “bumper” • Shrewsbury Hydro – Council has agreed access. Applying to EA for licence. Applying for FITS. Fundraising and contract will follow. • Land at Pengove – New planning application submitted and period for comment almost expired. Feeling as previous similar application was granted on appeal 	

	<p>protest now fruitless hence very few objections.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Guide – Judy, Mike and Sue meeting later in the month. • Solar Farms – Proposal for one at High Ercall has been submitted. • Renewable Energy Production – Good Energy website reported that last Thursday 16% of energy required was from PV's. • Points to include in email update to members – Flower Show, Reintroduction of Neonicotinoids, Town Centre Traffic, 	
Dates	<p>Flower Show - 14th-15th August Ludlow Green Festival August 30-31 Mere Festival Sept 19</p>	
Next Meeting	<p>Monday 7th September 2015 at 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel</p>	