

Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting
Monday 4th April 2016 7.30pm Lion Hotel

Notes

Present	Sheila Jones, Tony Green, Mike Richardson, Judy Coleridge, Sue Fisher, Philip Pool, Barbara Phillips	
Apologies	Frank Oldaker	
Agenda Item	Notes	Action
Notes of business meeting 7.3.16	Agreed	
Matters arising from business meeting held on 7.3.16	On agenda	
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	<p>John Vidal – Talk Much detailed discussion and agreement on tasks to be undertaken.</p> <p>Green Guide Updating of sections are still to be submitted.</p> <p>Town Centre Traffic Report on progress from the sub group. There has been good coverage by the press. Shrewsbury and Atcham TC had a discussion about SITP, following a letter sent by us to all councillors, focussing in particular on Meole Brace roundabout. SC called a meeting to consult specifically on the cycling aspects of SITP but had almost nothing to discuss. It was agreed that the Cycle Forum would be restarted. The next meeting will be 12th April 5.30 in the Shire Hall.</p> <p>Rea Brook litter Frank had circulated Sheila's emails in which she explained her progress. The meeting wished to formally minute what a WONDERFUL job she is doing! SWLT are also congratulatory of her progress. She is currently working with the Hereford Rd BP garage, is finding it difficult to get to the manager, and has decided to find out the contact details of the owners. Once the work has been done, SWLT want to install bat and bird boxes and to work with Coleham School to beautify the area at the back of Asda. They want to tie the initiative in with encouraging tourism and developing Shrewsbury's green spaces. Sheila believes it would be good to issue a press release once the clean-up has taken place so that there can be before/after photos and pats on the back for the businesses involved.</p> <p>Climate Change Action No further report.</p> <p>GSX Conference speakers will be from Shared Energy, Marches Energy, Sustainability W Mids and Dave Green on household energy. 7th May at UCS.</p> <p>Planning Issues Prison. Castlefields Action Team are very anxious about car parking. They believe the Prison will be overdeveloped – Philip doesn't agree. Shrewsbury Vision envisages 450 car parking spaces at the railway car park – a fact that the Prison owner did flag up at one stage. Lidl. Shrewsbury Town Football Club wants to allow a Lidl to be built on its site, which is intended to be for community sport. Lidl's argument is that the community already has access to STFC's pitches and therefore this land is not needed. Sue will look up who the portfolio holder for Sport and Leisure is, and pursue this with him/her – perhaps go and see them with Mike.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>BP FO ALL</p> <p>SF, MR</p>

	<p>Earthmover Awards Chris Crean has suggested Frack Free Duddleston for an award. Awards are open to community groups who have worked in collaboration with FoE groups. Meeting agreed that this is a good idea. Tony will contact Chris, who will write the nomination, which will be supported by SFoE and Oswestry FoE.</p> <p>Natural Environment Supplementary Planning Document Consultation Tony commented. He believes the document is comprehensive. He will now look at what SWLT is commenting and respond to that.</p> <p>Air Quality Management Plan Clive Wright has said that the AQMP will be out in April 2016, so we should wait. If nothing is forthcoming, we can ask Clive for further details</p>	TG
National FoE	<p>National campaigns Bees. We have decided not to continue with this Air pollution. There is no specific campaign yet.</p>	
Communication	<p>Members' email: comments on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSX conference plus date. Book to have lunch – form on internet • Successful J Vidal talk • Lidl and planning link • Car club hire 	
AOB	<p>Bikeandgo website. If you travel by rail you can hire bikes. If you are a member of the car club, you can use cars in other areas. Sue will write a letter to the Chronicle to advertise this</p>	SF
Dates	<p>7th April 2016 John Vidal Talk at UCS 14 April Cycle Forum 5.30 Shire Hall 16 April SWLT Bee Day 7th May 2016 GSX Conference at United Reform Church</p>	
Next Meeting	Monday 9th May 2016 - 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel	