

Steering Group Meeting – 8th April 2014

Present: Joe Botting (chair), Peter Coleridge, Lucy Muir, Di Greaves, Geoff Greaves, Sally Bramhall, Nick Talbott, Josh Cooke, Margaux Taillade

1. Minutes of March Meeting

Outstanding actions noted.

2. May Fair update

Di reported on progress with publicity materials – posters, fliers. Kirsty Williams has agreed to do the official opening.

Lucy is co-ordinating distribution of posters. **Action:** Lucy to email activists to seek volunteers to put posters in outlying towns/villages.

Quarter-page adverts have been placed in the Focus at concessionary cost of £100. Martina has also written an article on Repair Cafes for the Focus.

Will need volunteers to steward on the day. **Action:** ask at April meeting.

3. Repair Cafe update

Joe reported on plans for the May Fair table, which will have some demonstrations, but mainly to raise interest. Next meeting of subgroup on Friday 11th.

4. Arrangements for Future General Meetings

April meeting: Josh will talk about creating edible and wildlife friendly spaces.

Joe will chair the meeting and introduce Joe.

May meeting: Di awaiting confirmation from Rob Oakey and Gwen Sanderson.

Action: Di to chase up.

Fall-back – film: The Economics of Happiness

June meeting: Possible speaker – Tom Henfrey on the plans for the former Newbridge Field Centre

Action: Di to contact Tom

July meeting: Fracking?

Action: Peter to contact possible speaker

August meeting:

Tie in with Victorian week.

Action: Defer discussion to May steering group meeting.

Future meetings

Jasper Roberts – September meeting, subject to confirmation.

Possible future subject: “Sustainable Architecture” – Tim Coleridge (Peter's nephew)

Annie Levy on food preservation (though may require a fee)

Steve Jones or other speaker on Permaculture / Cwm Harry projects

5. Transition Research

Di reported on work to assess impact of Transition activity. Di and Alan are attending workshops.

6. PTLCC

Those who attended provided feedback on the day. 40 people representing 7 groups were present.

Consider Sharenergy as topic for future talk.

Tesco Section 106 fund (£50k)

Action: Defer for future discussion.

7. Queen's Baton Relay community event

Sunday 25th May. TLT agreed to set up stall.

Action: to be discussed at May steering group.

8. Public Liability Insurance

Geoff confirmed that he has arranged Public Liability Insurance with a different company for a much reduced rate of £159.00. Geoff has also notified the Transition Network that he has been able to obtain these better rates.

9. Publicity for TLT

Di proposed purchasing a commercially produced vinyl banner. Cost for approx 5' by 2' approx £50.

Agreed to fund one conventional banner and one pull-up style, and Geoff to source a suitable pull-up support. **Action:** Di and Nick to work on design.

10. RWT Garden update

Josh has group meeting on Memorial Garden every Tuesday from 10-12. Has had good volunteer response. Now working on a space near the Pavilion. Have also produced plan for Green Man garden.

11. Licence to run Draws

Renewal cost is £20 per year and is required for printed ticket draws sold in advance of a draw date. (Originally purchased to allow Draw at May Fair 2013, but not used.)

Agreed not to renew.

12. AOB

Music under the Canopy - **Action:** Peter to provide details of dates to Nick to go on website.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm