

# Steering Group Meeting – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2014

**Present:** Lucy Muir (chair), Geoff Greaves, Alan Fay, Peter Coleridge, Carol Gingell, Nick Talbott, Di Greaves, Joe Botting, Josh Cooke

**Apologies:** Sally

Lucy welcomed Carol to the steering group meeting.

## 1. Minutes of April Meeting

Outstanding actions noted.

## 2. May Fair review

Di reported back on the success of the May Fair and expressed thanks to the many supporters.

Expenditure for TLT was £255.50 and total revenue was £463.00. The surplus will cover the cost of the public liability insurance leaving a small balance to support starting the repair Cafe.

A review meeting has been held and a report will be produced.

Press coverage. B&R and County Times have both carried material of the event.

**Action:** Start discussion of 2015 event at December steering group.

## 2. Repair Cafe update

Joe reported on reaction to the May Fair stand. A dozen have expressed interest in being fixers covering a range of skills. 2 possible venues are being considered: Rock Park cafe and canopy, or the Art Café. The potential for using the Herb Garden cafe and walkway was discussed.

Complementary measures include a tool library (web resource?). May also need tool storage for donated tools. "Tools for Self-Reliance" would also like any unwanted tools.

**Agreed** that a banner for advertising the Repair Café (approx 5' by 2') be funded by TLT.

**Action:** Joe to lead a bid for financial support from the local recycling group by 26<sup>th</sup> May. (Draft to be circulated for comment.)

Suggested that former Drama Centre (Tremont Rd) may be another possible venue.

## 3. Queens Baton Relay – TLT stall – 25<sup>th</sup> May

**Agree** to have focus on Repair Cafe.

**Action:** Joe to Invite David to do bike repair. If he is not available fall back to promotion of Repair Cafe along same lines as at May Fair.

**Action:** Nick to provide Gazebo - setup at 1.00pm and take down at 7.00pm. Others requested to assist with setup and take down.

## 4. Arrangements for May public meeting

**Actions:** Di to chair the meeting. Nick to assess if Skype session is likely to be feasible.

## 5. Future meetings

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

**Action:** Di to contact Tom. Falback – Film – The Economics of Happiness.

**July** meeting: Fracking?

**Action:** Peter to contact possible speaker

**August meeting:**

Tie in with Victorian week.

**Action:** Defer discussion to June 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

Peter MacFadyen on local democracy (Frome)

Judy Dennison on Food Security.

Jules Dickman(?) on Freetree

## **6. Big Lunch Temple Garden – 1<sup>st</sup> June**

Agree that on this occasion TLT can not take any part other than loan of bunting which has already been agreed.

## **7. RWT BioBlitz, Doldowlod – 1<sup>st</sup> June**

Agree this is not a TLT activity so will not email to members, but will promote on the website.

## **8. Local Food Group**

Josh presented ideas that Margeaux has produced for the Green Man Garden.

**Action:** Josh to convene a separate meeting of stakeholders and interested parties to discuss.

## **9. Transition Research – Monitoring and Evaluation**

Action: Di to send Alan information on previous discussions.

## **10. AOB**

Joe discussed a “deep time” walk which condenses the history of the earth into a 6-mile walk.

**Action:** Joe to provide details to Di for potential inclusion in Victorian Week programme.