## **Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth**

## Business Meeting Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 7.30pm Lion Hotel

## Notes of the Meeting

Present	Barbara Phillips, Judy Coleridge, Tony Green, Mike Richardson, Sue Fisher, Philip Pool, Becky Crothall, Frank Oldaker		
Apologies	Jo Blackman		
Agenda Item	Notes	Action	
Notes of business meeting 7.12.15	Agreed		
Matters arising from business meeting held on 7.12.15	Incinerator Visit – Veolia will, during this month, be compiling a programme for visits. We will be included.  Questionnaire from FoE on Air Pollution. Air pollution is part of the climate change campaign.  It was confirmed that we would not be having a stall at The Shrewsbury Flower Show.  Frank will email them	FO	
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	SFOE Operating Processes Agreement made at the "Condover Park Summit" was reviewed:- Agreed we add paragraphs relating to:-  • keeping up a media presence. Barbara and Frank to agree a form of words to include in the agreement.  • collaboration with other green campaigning groups. Again Barbara and Frank will consider.  Also the following arose during discussion:-  • Feeling that having fewer stalls is a threat to public awareness of our existence. Keep under review.  • Check we are in the Community Groups listing that is published from time to time in The Shropshire Star  Green Guide  By the next meeting we will, in particular, have reviewed sections that we originally helped compile and have gone through other sections where we feel a useful input can be made. New entries wanted and any updates. This action is needed to draw on all our knowledge and help the sub group keep the Guide as up to date as possible.  Shops and Open Doors – Wasting energy through shops having doors open full time in cold weather is an ongoing issue but situation is improving. Judy will compile a letter to be sent to "offenders" immediately the weather gets colder.  Town Centre Traffic  Press reports have been very confusing. Some indicate "pedestrianisation" is intended in part, some suggest traffic will be excluded but elsewhere only discouraged. Barbara will call Matt Johnstone to get clarification.  Rea Brook litter  Judy will call the ASDA manager in mid January re progress. There seems to be more litter or else vegetation is dying back exposing it.  Climate Change Action  Jo's proposal for "Shrewsbury Climate Action"  Becky, Judy, Mike and Tony will respond to Jo's Doodle Poll request to find the best date for a meeting of the many interested parties.	BP FO BP FO ALL FO ALL JC BP JC BC JC MR AG	
	No one yet for new chair. 7 <sup>th</sup> May being considered for the AGM  John Vidal - Talk  Judy will continue to pursue. Guildhall is favorite as a venue and UCS keen. Feel	JC	

	timing will have to be to suit JV but March is earliest to do a good job re publicity. Later would be easier.  Planning Issues Formal linking with SWLT, Philip will email Robin Mager to say we would like a more formal arrangement re coordination on planning application responses.  Application for lockers on playing field at The High School – Town Walls overlooks and the design is reported to be visually unacceptable. Philip will check.	PP PP
National FoE	National campaigns Climate Change actions will develop At present we aren't active on The Bee Campaign	
Communication	<ul> <li>Members' email: 4 points</li></ul>	ВР
АОВ	There is a Regional FoE Meeting in Birmingham on 20 <sup>th</sup> February and Tony will give a talk on Duddleston CBM proposal and its demise.	AG
	Membership – Becky will be working on renewals including contacting those that didn't rejoin for 2015.	ВС
Dates		
Next Meeting	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2016 - 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel	