Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

"Monthly" Meeting Monday 4th November 2019 7.30pm The Alb, Smithfield Road (by the bus station)

Notes

Present	Barbara Phillips, Sheila Jones, Beth Holgate, Sue Fisher, Alan Leaman, Frank Oldaker		
Apologies	Mike Richardson, Judy Coleridge		
Agenda Item	Notes	Action	
Informal Exchange Any matters Anyone wishes to Raise that are not Listed as Major Items below.	Big Town Plan – Consultation re transport has taken place with Sustainable Transport Shropshire but SFoE has not been involved. SC have instructed that it is to be assumed that the NWR will be built. Attingham Wi's event – The Federation of Wi's, as members of the Climate Coalition, are organising an event at Attingham Park and SFoE have been invited to have a stand. Frank and Maralyn went to a meeting on 1st Nov and we will take part. It is on 15th Feb 2020 and so far Sheila, Maralyn, Annette and Frank have provisionally said they can be there. Tetrapak – There is some misunderstanding amongst people collecting cartons to take to Household Recycling Centres that some at least are incinerated. Our research found that they are collected for recycling at a dedicated facility in Yorkshire so we can advise people this is the case. Pride Hill Bins – Our efforts to get multicompartment bins to allow recycling at point of disposal has been unsuccessful. Lezley Picton as portfolio holder for Waste was supportive but those dealing with the upgrade of Pride Hill ignored the request. FoE Webinar – Alan said he would take part in the webinar to discuss how best to push climate issues in the General Election campaign.		
Major Items	 North West Road The meeting on 17th October saw 4 presentations and comments were made that these made the case against the road very strongly. There was a well attended walk yesterday from Coton Hill to see part of the route. Some people went as far as Hencott Pool. Will do a press release and Frank to approach Jan dale re using her quote against the road – she is a Coton hill resident who has changed fro being pro the road. BeST have been preparing leaflets to inform people in detail about the issues. These will be circulated widely. The forum organised by the Civic Society was intended to give the for and against arguments but SC have pulled out. The Civic Society are annoyed and intend to go ahead with the event anyway and someone will state the Council's case SFoE is dealing with BeST finance through the SFoE Account – need to clarify with Paula the record keeping system. There will be a walk in the Bicton area on 23rd November. Frank to advise members. Air Quality Feeling is that we should be taking action in the New Year. Leafleting people in the Station area was suggested. As Mike unable to be present treat as a major item at next meeting. AGM Judy has reported that arrangements are in place so room is booked, Dave will give his talk about "Flying". Frank and Barbara will sort the admin. 	DG BP FO FO BP BP FO JC	

National / Regional FoE		
Communication	Emailing members re individual matters so felt enough	
Anything Else Not Covered?	Petition – 2030 for net zero carbon We will collect signatures at Mardol Head on 15 th November. Frank will bring necessary materials.	
Events	5 th November 7.30pm Talk by Nick Dearden Global Justice Now University centre Shrewsbury 8 th November 7.30pm Talk by Richard Millar (UK Climate Change Committee) "Climate Change and Net Zero Carbon" At Church Stretton Academy – (Follows Stretton Climate Care AGM at 6.45pm) 19 th November 7.30pm SFoE AGM University Centre Shrewsbury 8.00pm Talk by Dave Green "Is it OK to Fly" 28 th November 6.00pm – 8.00pm "Climate Crisis – The Time is Now" Expert Panel and Philip Dunne. Discussion on solutions for Net Zero Carbon in South Shropshire	
Next SFoE mtg	Monday 2 nd December (subsequently cancelled and fixed for !3th Jan 2020)	