Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting Monday 4th June 2018 7.30pm The Alb, Smithfield Road (by the bus station)

Notes			
Present	Barbara Phillips, Judy Coleridge, Sue Fisher, Sheila Jones, Tony Green, Mike Richardson, Phillip Pool, Frank Oldaker.		
Apologies	Clive Parsons, Catherine Parsons, Alex Payne, Emma Charles, Katy Chandler		
Agenda Item	Notes	Action	
Notes	Notes of Business Meeting 7 th May 2018 Agreed		
Matters arising From 9 th April	 Items not on agenda Belle Vue Arts Festival – Felt it was worthwhile. SFoE seen being active and there was interest from people on air quality issues. Overall an enjoyable event. 		
Local Campaigns/ Projects/ Issues	• Triodos Bank – Queries to answer Triodos have examined documentation we sent and have raised queries. These have mainly arisen because they haven't got full records of AGM postholder elections. Frank to complete a "Key Person Form" and give to Barbara who will send to Triodos along with an explanatory letter and certified copies of AGM minutes as necessary.	FO BP	
	 GDPR – Further Action re our Procedures. Our procedures and Privacy Statement doesn't allow sharing of names and email addresses. Active members, ie almost exclusively those who attend business meetings, need to freely email each other, know who has been sent an email, and we need to be able to give email addresses to outside people or organisations where appropriate. Frank will send an amendment to the Privacy Statement to Mike who will amend the website and Frank will also email all active members to obtain their consent to their names and email addresses being shared. Air quality. 	FO MR	
	 All air quality data has disappeared from the map on SC's website. Whether a tech issue or deliberate we don't know. Mike had pressed Matthew Clark for report for 2017 and Matthew's reply showed he was under pressure so don't know when it may appear. Discussed possible action but no decision made. This year Clean Air Day is 21st June. No action. P & R buses – Mike reported that he had received a reply from SC revealing that Arriva had withdrawn from the P & R contract, that it had been re-tendered and Arriva had won again. The provision of new buses seems to have receded into the far distance. Negotiations between Arriva and SC re more pick-up points have/are taking place. 		
	Rea Brook and SWLT's action "Love Your Magnificent Severn" There are enough volunteers and Sheila and Frank will be finalising arrangements with OW! T in the next formulation	SJ FO	
	with SWLT in the next few days. Judy offered her home in Castlefields as a "stop off" if helpful to anyone who is litter picking from 12 noon. Sheila reported that area behind Asda is clean at present.	JC	
	• Plastics and Green Guide GG Group had a meeting prior to the Business Meeting. Emma has almost finalised a new GG publicity leaflet now with info on the back. She is keen to complete and get printed. Barbara has a friend who is a cartoonist and in future we may be able to use his skills for publicity material.	EC	
	Agreed an event about plastics with Ali Thomas of Zero Waste and Martin Forrest of Smithers Rapra is likely to be popular. Discussed whether with our AGM or not but no decision. Felt UCS the right venue and October-November the best time. Barbara will ask Martin about his availability and Judy will ask Ali. Then we can check with UCS. Tony reminded meeting that "Plastics" is the theme of Ludlow Green Festival	BP JC	

	 Planning and Development Issues Greenfields – Proposed development on part of Recreation Ground Residents Meeting on 3rd May – The action group have achieved their crowd funding target and are considering who to engage to help them. GSX: No further info. Media and Publicity - Website Mike advised that Emma and Katy were working on a new website and it may be ready in July NWRR – No news. 	EC KT MR
National / Regional FoE	Bee Campaign – Bee Count runs until 30 th June. Download the App from FoE website onto a smartphone.	ALL
Communication	4 points Members' email. One recently sent Printed newsletter: Still under consideration – good time to produce will be with campaign on air quality / NWRR? - Not discussed	
АОВ	Global Justice Now have sent us a few posters for a talk by their Head of Activism – James O'nions. We will distribute. See below for event details. Barbara will email Tony with details so GSX members can be advised.	ALL BP
Upcoming dates	 12th June "Love Your Magnificent Severn" Litter Pick 19th June GSX AGM – Hobbs Room , Shrewsbury Library 7pm – then social time at The Alb 21st June Clean Air day 3rd July Do We Need System Change to Stop Climate Change" Public Talk by James O'Nions – Head of Activism at Global Justice Now - University Centre Shrewsbury 7-30pm 8th July Ludlow Green Festival 	
Next SFoE meeting	Monday 2 nd July 2018 at The Alb, Smithfield Road (by the bus station) 7.30pm	