

## Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

**Business Meeting**  
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015 7.30pm Lion Hotel**

### Notes of the Meeting

<b>Present</b>	Mike Richardson, Judy Coleridge, Sue Fisher, Frank Oldaker, Philip Pool, Jo Blackman	
<b>Apologies</b>	Tony Green, Barbara Phillips, Becky Crothall,	
<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Notes of business meeting 2.11.15</b>	Agreed	
<b>Matters arising from business meeting held on 2.11.15 and the AGM on 24.11.15</b>	Judy still awaiting an answer from Veolia re a visit to the Battlefield Incinerator	
<b>Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>University College</b> Special car parking arrangements for students have not been made</li> <li>• <b>Green Guide</b> The sub group want the rest of us to be on the lookout for new entries and deletions especially as shops open or cease trading. Suggestions for "Top Tips" needed too. (This feature caused website to crash but Mike has resolved). Mike has started giving shops "In the Green Guide" stickers and met with 100% acceptance.</li> <li>• <b>Town Centre Traffic</b> Sub group meeting at Barbara's on 11<sup>th</sup> December.</li> <li>• <b>Rea Brook litter</b> Judy phoned ASDA. Her contact has left but spoke to the Manager. They have provide 4 more bins and a new "Community Champion" will be appointed. Asked about progress on chicken wire to fence and will pursue in January.</li> </ul> <p><b>Sainsbury Food Waste Project</b> Shrewsbury in shortlist of top five submissions but Swadlingcote won.</p> <p><b>Climate Change Action</b> Barbara, Judy and Philip will be in London for "The March".</p> <p>We will support the Shrewsbury demo organised by the Green Party et al starting from "Participate" in The Riverside.</p> <p>Jo very keen to continue actions in 2016 on for example getting Shropshire Council to consider divesting from fossil fuel investments. A carefully selected action after John Vidal talk could be particularly effective. More immediately Volvo will be promoting their cars in The Square on Friday. She presented a draft leaflet to hand out to people showing an interest.</p> <p><b>GSX</b> David Currant is stepping down next year from being Chair. Meetings with Clive Wright will continue in 2016. Keep our capacity for more involvement under review.</p> <p><b>John Vidal - Talk</b> Priority is to identify a suitable venue. Estimate could get 100 attending. Frank to check Morris Hall and Gateway. Judy will contact The Guildhall (UCS) and SWLT. To do quickly and review at Christmas Drinks.</p> <p><b>Barclays – Fracking</b> Letters received with the predictable reasons given for their involvement</p> <p><b>Christmas Drinks 15<sup>th</sup> Dec 3 Fishes</b> Our "Environmental Award" will go to Mark Scutt for his tremendous effort in getting The Shrewsbury Hydro Scheme to the point where all legal and technical issues have been resolved. Philip will do a press release. Chris Crean has been invited and will come if he can.</p> <p><b>Planning Issues</b> The 4 houses proposed off Abbey Foregate (down lane opposite Sainsburys) are not of concern to SWLT. We won't object.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>BP FO MR PP</p> <p>JC BC</p> <p>BP JC PP FO MR</p> <p>FO BP</p> <p>JC FO</p> <p>PP</p>

<b>National FoE</b>	Have sent out a questionnaire on air pollution	
<b>Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Members' email:</b> 4 points – no action</li> </ul>	
<b>AOB</b>	<p>Jo looking to coordinate action on climate change by groups in and around Shrewsbury – TTS ,Green Party, Global Justice, Church groups, SFoE etc under name of “Shrewsbury Climate Action” She has set up a Facebook Group.</p> <p>Suggests showing a film</p> <p>Consider further at our next meeting</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>ALL</p>
<b>Dates</b>	<b>Tues 15<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Drinks</b>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 - 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel</b>	