Shrewsbury Friends of the Earth

Business Meeting Monday 7th September 7.30pm Lion Hotel

Notes of the Meeting

Present	Judy Coleridge, Tony Green, Mike Richardson, Sue Fisher, Frank Oldaker, Philip Pool (part of time)		
Apologies	Barbara Phillips		
Agenda Item	Notes	Action	
Notes of meeting 3.8.2015	Agreed		
Matters arising from meeting held on 3.8.15	 University College Freshers' Fair Because £80 returnable deposit required must ensure we can staff it. Frank, Barbara and Tony are available so adequate cover in place. Traffic reduction in St Julian Friars Still worth asking businesses Website updates to be sent to Mike: Bees Frank Planning Frank GSX Barbara Frank has started on "Bees" otherwise still outstanding Flower Show In spite of the wet day on the Friday felt overall that being there was worthwhile. Briony Cooper who manages the "Our Future" marquee is doing the same job for one more year so probably marquee will be there again in 2016. At a review meeting on 15th Oct comments on this year are welcome together with ideas about next year. We will suggest "Sustainability". Any views on this year send to Frank. We are not in a position to confirm that SFoE will have a stand until nearer the time. Green Guide – sub committee meeting	FO,BP, TG BC FO BP TG, BP, PP,BC	
Local Campaigns/ Projects/Issues	 Town Centre Traffic Barbara, Frank and Peter Gilbert (Bus Users-Shropshire) have met with Kirsten Henly- BID Manager. Were given useful background on the BID – its formation and objectives. They are well aware of the various studies that show footfall increases if motor traffic is reduced. However, their focus is on improving Shoplatch for pedestrians and they are not pushing for any form of compulsory exclusion of traffic as we are suggesting.	FO	

	Judy reported that ASDA have decided what they want to do. Includes two more bins , fencing and low level wire mesh on the fence to prevent litter blowing into the brook. Her contact has been off work so progress slow. Tony went on a SWLT walk along the brook and was pleasantly surprised to see the amount of litter had reduced. • AGM Judy has written to John Vidal but no reply. If he can come then we will immediately find a venue and arrange so will wait. Agreed that latest date for deciding is date of next meeting – 5th October. If he can't do it then we will have a "social" evening including the AGM business only. We could then try and arrange for him to give a separate talk next year • New membership form and subscriptions We can easily change photos on the form as appropriate. • Recycling Judy has had some info from Veolia in response to her queries. Trials of kerbside collection of cardboard are still ongoing. No answer yet on mixing of glass, plastic and metal at collection. Veolia willing to organise a tour of the incinerator – feeling is we should go. GSX Talk If John Vidal can't come to AGM then maybe arrange a talk from him.	JC
National FoE	Climate Change Day of Action – 10 th October Decided not to do action re Ryedale but Frank will write a letter to Barclays Bank from the Group giving our views. Bee Cause – Actions in September Frank has informed them of our involvement at the Flower Show and that we are not doing anything on this in September.	FO
АОВ	Members' email: 4 points Felt too soon for another and not enough new info to give. Treasurer Tony advised that he wishes to do only one more year as treasurer. Unanimous thanks expressed for giving so much notice. Any expenses in connection with Flower Show to be sent to him asap	BC FO
Dates	Mere Festival Sept 19th UCS Freshers Fair Sept 29th	
Next Meeting	Monday 5 th October 2015 – 7-30pm at The Lion Hotel	