



## **Co-ordinating Group Meeting**

**Minutes of the meeting held at 11am on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at The Cube Café, Malvern**

**Attendance:** Ginny Lee (Chair), Ian Caldwell, Dinah Sage, Robin Coates

### **Apologies**

Received from Claire Bridges, Nathan Burlton, Raphael Bate, Jan Dyer, Pam McCarthy, John Raine, Emma Gathergood

**Minutes of 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016** were signed as an accurate record.

### **Matters arising**

- Gardenshare - Emma and Dinah have publicised the Gardenshare scheme as much as possible.
- Inner Transition - Administration has been divided up, with Raphael Bate as main contact. Monthly sessions are continuing. Information is being sent to Ian Caldwell to put on the website.
- Food hub - slowly progressing

### **Chairman's report**

Probably best to concentrate on two projects.

Ideas of promoting sustainability locally, and working on a Food Hub were discussed.

### **Treasurers report**

There is nearly £1400 in the account.

If a food hub proves realistic, some funding may be possible.

### **Website - moving it**

John Howes is no longer hosting the website. It is being moved to Ecohosting.co.uk. There is a charge of £15 to retain the domain name.

Ian Caldwell has volunteered to make the transfer.

As initiatives are no longer run by "Working Groups", the format of the website will be changed to reflect this.

Dinah, Robin and Ian will meet to discuss changes.

John was thanked for hosting the website.

## **Publicity**

Ian will keep members of TMH informed about the change of web address.

Events, twitter feeds and articles will appear on the home page.

With social media and the Internet, there is an increasing tendency for people to be isolated from views which differ from their own.

How can we break out of this echo chamber?

Would a big event be attractive? A good speaker? The fallout of Brexit when the time is right?

Keep putting articles in Hillistic.

### **Action: Discuss speaker at next meeting**

Dinah send writeup of Professor Whitelegg's talk sustainable transport to Ian for circulation.

## **Annual Network Meeting**

Speaker?.

## **Initiatives - Gardenshare, Inner Transition, Repair Café, Car Clubs**

Gardenshare - Sadly, unless interest is shown, Gardenshare will quietly fade away

Car clubs - the possibility of having a car in Storridge and Cradley is being investigated. Seonaid is introducing the idea. Setting up a car club in a rural area would be difficult, and may require subsidy. Perhaps it could be combined with community drivers, or prescription collections. And it may have more appeal in the new sharing culture.

Thanks to the AONB for a grant of £500 towards the cost and repair of electric bikes.

As electric bikes can be hired by the month, they could help people in the countryside get to work in the absence of buses.

**Action** Robin write to the Gazette to publicise monthly electric bike hire.

Repair café - Jan and Chris Dyer have handed over the running of the Repair Café.

**Action:** Ian will contact the new leader.

Inner Transition - continues to meet at least monthly

## **AOB**

None

## **Date of next meeting**

Website meeting at Ian's Monday 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2pm

Co-ordinating Group meeting Monday Feb 27<sup>th</sup> at Greenlink, 2pm