

Challenge North Leigh

Minutes meeting held 11 June 2009

Present: Rita Cudd (RC)	Apologies: Jowanna Lewis
Geoff Feasey (GF)	Steve Kennet
Candy Kerpache (CK)	Rob Pritchard
Greg Matthews (GM)	
Margaret Lupton (MLP)	
Annie Reynolds (AR)	

Agenda Item	Actions
<i>minutes of last meeting and matters arising:</i> Minutes approved	
<i>Financial Report:</i> GM presented the Financial Report by proxy as JL was unable to attend. £224.77 to Beckley Marquees as final payment. CK requires payment for Sun Jars, GM for domain name and computer. RC requires invoice for computer in readable format GM to provide. CK raised the problem of buying online and need for credit card. RC points out the only invoice outstanding that she knows of is for the computer. RC is away next week – urgent invoices can be sent directly to Steve Millward. Candy received cheque made payable to the marquee company for final payment.	GM
<i>Website Update:</i> GF pointed out that he has provided content as requested but GM seems to have missed that email GM to follow up. GM outlined intention to demo updating so that members can do it when required. CK said we have had positive comments from Jo Hamilton. CK asked to link to Witney Free Cycle, Witney Waste Action Group and Charlbury Waste Action Group. RC suggested links to energy saving pages of SSE, Energy Saving Trust. AR suggests Recycle Now. AR still has composting article outstanding.	GM, AR
<i>SSE Reduction Data:</i> RC gave a brief indication of results so far. She is worried that we may have reached our plateau. GF points out that we were “handicapped” from the start as many people were already attempting to save energy during the baseline phase.	GF

<p>Suggested talking to the initial group who had records going back to 2006. Also suggested we ask people what motivates them. GF to draft a questionnaire. RC confirmed that the Memorial Hall is not included in the data.</p>	
<p><i>Real Time Display:</i> RC told the group that a spurt of activity has been observed, but no definite end date. CK pointed out that the Memorial Hall committee is unaware of this since Diane Power left, nor is the PO. We may run into problems. RC to talk to the committee (Michael Alexander), GF suggested the right hand window for PO left hand window for us.</p>	
<p><i>Publicity:</i> GF gave a report of his talk to the PC. GF asked how many of the PC would be coming to the Green Fair. Sheepish faces all round. Also asked what they were doing about the street lighting project. GF reported that his media contacts are still keen for information. CK reported that SSE have sent out press releases about Green Fair. School has contacted CK regarding an initiative from Oxford Mail. Oxford Mail have asked to cover our event and also sell the initiative. RC insisted that we refer to SSE as Southern Electric in all publicity. CK confirmed that poster was up on the New Yatt notice board. Also promoted at the quiz night.</p>	
<p><i>RP:</i> RC confirmed that RP was still working one day a week.</p>	
<p><i>Newsletters and Cards:</i> Delivery of newsletter and cards all done. Some reports of cards spotted in windows. CK wants to go round the houses to check eligibility for window stickers soon after GF. SK has the area divided up so he can provide. GF to stimulate email discussion. CK reminded us that we should start following up from 21st June. CK told group about organisation of the raffle at the Green Fair and the Prize Draw. GF pointed out the need to distinguish the draw because it is not a raffle that people can buy into. CK will not provide electricity for the computer. CK to talk to her generator friend.</p>	SK, GF
<p><i>Age of Stupid:</i> GF suggested CK approach HK(?) from the Memorial Hall fund raising committee. Carried over in absence of JL.</p>	
<p><i>Date of next Newsletter and thermometer drop:</i> AR to lead on newsletter for late September. Contributions from everyone. AR to have a mock-up by next meeting. GF suggested we might try fear as a motivating factor. GM and RC were less keen. CK suggested we make representation to David Cameron. MLP to find out when the surgeries are. MLP suggested we have a "new arrival" welcome pack for people moving to the neighbourhood.</p>	AR, MLP

<p><i>Green Picnic:</i> CK suggested procession to the picnic. Pied piper effect. MLP suggested a town crier. The group was positive about joining the carnival to the GP. GF to float something in NLN. <i>JL subsequently pointed out that this was to be directly linked to the great thermometer giveaway and NOT the Green Picnic. Action on GF recinded.</i></p>	
<p><i>Green Fair:</i> this was discussed at a separate meeting.</p>	
<p><i>A.O.B.:</i> RC has her internal report coming up GF attending Mark Linas' talk "News from a Warming World" can offer lift, 22 June 7.30pm. GM asked RC about batteries for CCMs which are starting to run down. RC thought the answer was not but will chase for a definitive answer so we can address if necessary. GM pointed out again that the prize money would benefit the Memorial Hall so this should help our bargaining position. RC stunned the group by suggesting that the challenge ends in October not December. This would be a real problem for energy saving.</p>	
<p><i>Date of next meeting:</i> 9th July 7pm</p>	

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