



Steering Group Meeting Monday October 12th 2015

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1	Present: Andrew Backhouse, Denise Renshaw, Garry Olson, Chris Frankland, Anita Willoughby, John Handley
2	Apologies: Jean Hill, Pat Baker, Heather Calderbank, Pippa Jones, Anthony Jones
3	Minutes of last Meeting: Agreed
4	<p>Events and updates</p> <p>1. Saturday 17th October: Energy Market and Transition Bike Ride (Andrew organising):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rota • Equipment needed • Bike Ride forms • Any other help required <p>Ali has a rota and an update of where we are up to and what other things we need for the Artisan Market stall on Saturday in dropbox (in the Steering Group subfolder). I have 2 people for each hour between 10am and 1pm, but no one apart from me for the afternoon. Pat might be able to stay for a second hour 1-2, but after that I am currently on my own. Andrew and I will be setting up and taking down and I will take my car so will be able to do the fetching and carrying.</p> <p>If anyone has a glut of fruit Ali will collect on Wednesday am she will take to the Random Apple co. for pressing.</p> <p>At Anita's suggestion Andrew will write to Sainsbury's requesting Fruit for Smoothies.</p> <p>Garry can help on stall from 2.00 - 3.00pm maybe longer, Chris will help if he can.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2. Saturday 17th October 7.45 pm Wilmslow Symphony Orchestra concert at the Leisure</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3. Thursday 29th October Film Night: Growth Busters "Hooked on Growth"</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Comms team have film and will do posters, posters are now available for distribution, please contact Pat Baker. ● Pat has contacted Wilmslow.co.uk ● Pippa not here please will someone else do the introductions ● Volunteer to make cake please! <p>Anita and Ali may make cake but if not Denise has a large quantity of biscuits left over from Peace Day stall.</p> <p>4. Wilmslow Partnership Update: after the last meeting Pippa contacted Ruth McNulty about the old stable block in the leisure centre car park. The idea of converting this for the community has also been raised by WTC and has been the subject of some discussion on Wilmslow.co.uk. Ruth is very enthusiastic. Jean is taking our ideas (community building, using local resources, project for high school, small café, information centre re Lindow Moss, space for local arts etc, sustainable/low energy build) to the Partnership team for discussion.</p> <p>5. Jean also raised the issue that there is money from Sainsburys (national competition) for a local food waste solution. Pippa has given her the report on our meeting in early 2012 on biodigestion and the link for the Real Junk Food café project in Leeds.</p>	<p>DR</p> <p>?AW & AB DR</p>
<p>5</p>	<p><u>Group Reports</u> <u>Comms Team</u> Mail Chimp/Dropbox</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Comms Team and Pippa met on Friday 2 October. Ali took us through setting up a ‘campaign’ i.e. sending an e-mail via Mailchimp. ● A list was created for Mailchimp to communicate with ‘Group Leads’ – John Handley, Lindow Moss: Heather Calderbank, Trees: Ali Berry, Energy: Jean, Environment & Planning: Denise Renshaw, Food: Pat Baker, Comms. ● It is hoped that ‘Leads’ will engage with this way of being in touch in the future. ● Dropbox is the best way to share reports, 	

documents, photos etc. – much easier to access there, than having to download them to our own PCs and then wondering where we saved them!

- We ask the Steering Group to find a possible date for a training session at the Meeting House for Mailchimp and Dropbox– depending on availability of the Meeting House, and Ali.

Andrew will speak to Ali to see if a training session during the day on Tuesday 3rd November at her house might be a possibility. All those present at the meeting could attend on this date.

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to attend.

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- Once we are fully using Mailchimp to send out e-mails to our groups we will mostly just need the TW gmail account for receiving individual e-mails. Heather will keep a check on the account and deal with incoming mail.
- For the time being, all in the Comms Team can still be contacted by sending an e-mail to our gmail account, as long as the word 'comms' appears in the title bar.

Energy - Ali B

I haven't produced minutes for the last energy group meeting as it was just me, Joy and Luigi. We briefly discussed the impact that the change in FITs might have on the installation of renewables on homes and thought it would be interesting to see what the installers think of the proposed changes. Luigi followed the next day up by phoning SkyGen, who installed his solar PV panels, but unfortunately they went out of business 2 years ago.

The next Energy Group meeting will be on Monday 26th October, 7.30pm at Chris Daniel's house (15 Hawthorn Lane). We are going to trial having a topic for discussion and the first one will be 'Is fracking a good idea?'. Chris will be showing some video clips about the subject. All welcome

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Community Energy not for profit company, the change in FITs has made the project to install PV panels on the roof at the High School less viable and calls into question the future of

establishing a Community Energy Co. It is still hoped to find ways of funding PV panels at the school.

Environment and planning

CEC Local Plan

- Subsequent to a meeting on Tuesday 6th October the Planning Inspector has given the green light to proceed with resumed hearing sessions on 21-23 October and 27-30 October to review and assess the additional evidence prepared by CEC to address his concerns on the plan following his examination last autumn. The six areas to be covered are Economic Strategy and Employment Land Requirements ; Housing Requirements; Green Belt, Safeguarded Land and Strategic Open Gaps; Spatial Distribution of Development; Urban Potential and Site Selection Methodology; Other Matters e.g. Highways, sustainability)Transition Wilmslow will be observing the discussions on The Green Belt and Spatial Distribution.
- After these deliberations the Inspector will decide whether the examination should progress further to consider the remaining aspects of the Plan including Strategic Sites and any suggested amendments to the Plan.
- CEC has confirmed that all suggested changes to the submitted plan would be subject to full Public consultation. The Council are proposing that subject to the publication of the Inspectors interim views on the outcome of the resumed hearings in Mid November they will issues revisions for consultation in mid December with a possible resumption of the Hearings in March 2016 to consider site allocations and any proposed changes to Local Plan Strategy. Further public consultation would then be held in May/June2016 on Main Modifications to the submitted Local Plan. CEC's adoption of the Local Plan Strategy is not expected until Late 2016.

John and Jean will attend the hearings as observers but will then re-engage with public consultations .

Wilmslow Town Partnership

A "Forum" meeting was held on 17th September to launch the Partnership to local groups in the town. 27 groups attended,

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covering a wide range of activities including: Interest groups (Rotary, W Trust, Friends of the Carrs etc); arts and entertainment(local choirs, Wilmslow Symphony Orchestra, Green Room,) Activity groups, (Sports clubs, scouts and guides etc; Environmental (incredible Edible, Friends of Carrs, Allotments , Clean team); Churches ;Women’s Institutes. A major concern identified was the need for additional volunteers and members.

The Partnership is now looking for specific projects .Pippa has already raised the Old Stables site – which has also been highlighted in Wilmslow.co.uk. Following discussions with John, Jean will also propose the TW “Landscape on Your Doorstep” project for consideration at the next meeting.

Lindow Moss

The planning applications for the housing development and for the restoration of the Moss have not been determined. The Committee date has been deferred to Jan 26th 2016 awaiting information requested by CEC.

According to recent press reports (Wilmslow Guardian Oct 7th) CEC have indicated that they will look into the failure to implement current planning conditions on peat working with regard to Lindow Moss.

Tree Group

Those present wish to devote a Steering Group meeting to decide how best to develop an awareness of the value of trees in our communities and the perceived lack of a strategy to ensure succession planning in tree management essential to a positive environmental legacy. This project would tie in closely with our 2013 Green Infrastructure report.

Using the expertise within the group it is hoped that the ideas of tree walks to identify the joys of living in Wilmslow, tracing the story of a town through its trees, photographs and paintings of beautiful trees in the area and the value of trees will all be further explored.

The date identified where this would be the main topic of the Steering Group is January 11th 2016. It is hoped to have a wider attendance than the usual.

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Any other business

Baked Alaska

This show was commissioned by Christian Aid and others to promote awareness of the effects of global warming. It is performed by Riding Lights Theatre Company of York.

"The sketches and stories portrayed are based on the lives of real people struggling with the effects of man-made climate change and though far from being overbearing in its environmental agenda, the cast's comedic antics deliver this important message through satire and metaphor with both humour and impact."

another review says *"...the real power of this show is the way the audience are enabled to take action."*

more information at <http://ridinglights.org/baked-alaska>

There are two performances in the area.

Monday October 19th at Alderley Edge Methodist Church, and Friday Nov. 13th at St Andrew's Methodist Church Hall, Wythenshawe.

Both performances start at 7.30pm

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Date and Time of next meeting: Monday November 9th 7.30 at the Meeting House

Andrew hopes to be minutes secretary in Denise's absence.

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