

## Transition Wilmslow Steering Group Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2014

**Present:** Emma Moss, Marianne Broadgate, Chris Frankland, Andrew Backhouse, Pat Baker, Anita Willoughby and Jane Selva, Anthony Jones, Pippa Jones, John Handley **Apologies:** Denise, Jean, Flo

1. Minutes of previous meeting agreed.
2. **Earth Hour:** 38 people signed up. This was a good way to socialise. Mums in the know in Poynton sent out a message about it. Be good to get a supermarket to put it with their suppers for two. JH suggested a candle-lit vigil for next year in Grove Street (Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2015). We will discuss this further in September. Could we get Cheshire East to do something for their council buildings?
3. **Earth Day June 5<sup>th</sup>:** we won't celebrate, but use the Chasing Ice film in the autumn.
4. **Seedy Saturday on 26h April;** 10-1pm: Leaflet distribution at 10am on Friday morning at the corner of South Oak Lane and Gravel Lane. There is an events piece on Wilmslow.co.uk and Wilmslow Express told. 'Mums in the know' would be good too. Anthony will make a cake and bring herbs. Primrose Cottage Nursery will come along. Turners Nursery on Knutsford Rd have offered their nursery to host something in future. Pippa will bring gazebo and table. Emma will make something for the tombola. Preparation meeting at 7.30 on 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Temp. The same Saturday is the Chorlton Big Green happening. Worth tweeting about!
5. **Skill Share Day: 17<sup>th</sup> May** 1.30 – 4.30pm £16/hour General themes for such days: Skills for sustainable community living: Reducing pollution – composting, know your rubbish, waste watch, bike maintenance, insulation on loft hatches, reducing energy costs, electricity monitors. Sourcing locally - grow your own, Food for Macc, elderflower cordial, sauce making session, incredible edible, cooking seasonally, herbs and spices. Optimising resources – growing trees, using wood, making bird boxes, bicycle work, making your own, upcycling furniture and toys, making things out of rubbish, at the Methodist Church. Voluntary donations. Teas and coffees and cakes with recipes. Emma and Marianne will ask people for offers to do something from the above. Hawthorn Deli?
6. **Landscape on Your Doorstep:** Jean is applying for a grant from the Town Council. John has obtained a set of foam mounted A2 versions of the maps that we used at the landscape Character Workshop last year and is getting them framed so that we can use them if required alongside some photographs, at exhibitions/stalls and shows. John is giving a talk about our Landscape on Your Doorstep project to the Wilmslow NWR Group on the evening of Monday, May 10th. Jean is contacting WTC and request for funding.
7. **Response to the Local Plan:** The deadline for this is 5.00pm on Friday, April 25th. There will a special meeting of the Transition Planning and Environment Group to work on our response and that will need to be followed by a drafting meeting. Special meeting E&P next Tuesday at Jean's house 7.30pm and a further writing meeting Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9.30am at Jean's.
8. **Lindow Moss** We have had some useful publicity following the Workshop on in Wilmslow co.uk , Wilmslow Express and also courtesy of Bryan Sitch via the Lindow Man blog at Manchester Museum. Flo and Jean have done a Workshop report, which is on the Transition website and circulated to all the Workshop participants. The next meeting of the Lindow Moss

- Group is on the evening of Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup> which will review all the follow-up actions at that meeting. 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lindow Man event August 2nd. Pippa will contact University of Manchester publicity to link to Bryan's blog. Anthony will d/w Mark Harrison at BBC. Jane is working on a Project Framework to demonstrate key interactions and develop a toolkit and will attend 6<sup>th</sup> May meeting.
9. **Wilmslow Show:** Garry and Amanda are organising for us, is any help needed? Need to keep as standing item on agenda. A space has been booked but if it is wanted inside then it needs booking.
  10. **Pot Luck Supper:** Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May 8pm at 4 Fulshaw Ave – bring something you've either grown or made.
  11. **Film Nights:** Been going well, but not so many people there. Last film of the spring season is No Impact Man 29<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 upstairs at The Library. Please tell your friends! Then a break till September 30<sup>th</sup> 2014. Wilmslow High would be great...When Chris sees Mark Vincent he will try to talk about this. *Chasing Ice* would be a good one to have. Jane will look out for films for teenagers. The films are expensive because it costs £30 to hire the library plus up to £50 for hire of the films. Donations are not covering this. They do always bring in new people. We agree to ask for £2-5 as a donation and do not expect Pippa to cover the deficit.
  12. **Effective Blogging** There's a course at Cornerhouse on Effective Blogging, £5, Mon 30 June. Details on <http://www.cornerhouse.org/creatives/creatives-events/digital-skills-workshops>
  13. **Eco Homes for 17/18 or 24/25 May.** Jonathan Atkinson from carboncoop is looking for Eco Homes for 17/18 or 24/25 May. <http://carbon.coop/news/2014-03-25/open-eco-homes-weekends-opportunity> TW\_Energy group have been asked to contact Jonathan directly with any suggestions. Chris Frankland has signed up.
  14. **Friends of Handforth Station:** We have been asked to add to our herb bed and consider planting a dig for victory bed. Andrew has updated the herb bed, but we do not want to do another bed.
  15. **Spaceforcycling.org.uk** are asking what councils are doing for cyclists. Pippa will write to Cheshire East council for us. She will include reference to the lack of pedestrian or cycling access to the Waters site.
  16. **Finance update:** Yorkshire Building Society are being awkward about updating the signatories £957 in the account and £35 in petty cash.
  17. **Energy Group** – Possible meeting on electric and hybrid cars. Ron Stratton brought his electric car two years ago and was really inspiring. David Hytch came with Manchester Electric Car Company too from Wilmslow. Cheshire East have not taken any interest in having charging stations. Would be good to integrate with the Wilmslow Car Show. Solar powered batteries? What about electric bikes at Royles? Second hand hybrids are hard to sell! Andrew to talk to Rachel.
  18. **Next meeting** 21<sup>st</sup> May 7.30 FMH to discuss (a) Artisan market 21 June, (b) Wilmslow show and (c) 30 anniversary celebrations of Lindow Man.