

## **Minutes of the TL2 Steering Group Meeting on 19/01/2009 at The Angel**

**Present:** Sue Weaver, Gerry Gold, John Gaffney, Adam Margetts, Colin Foster, Isabel Lovelock, Pete Arnold, Anne van Mechelen, Steve Brown

### Minutes from 15/12/2008

Agreed.

### Matters arising

**Steve B to let Steve Harris know that we won't have a stall at the Cardiff conference on 28<sup>th</sup>.**

Jo sends message that BTCV insurance isn't expensive. **Steve B to send completed insurance form to Gerry.**

### New groups

New Economics Group met 15<sup>th</sup> January. 9 attended. Next meeting 19<sup>th</sup> Feb.

The Natural Health group will have its first meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> March.

Adam's 'Habitable' group covers in particular Waste, Water, Resources. He has set up a Google Group and the exchange of ideas will be primarily web based initially. There will be 'real' meetings too - **Adam will let Steve know dates and details. Steve will give the group more publicity in the next newsletter.**

Of Pete's 3 group ideas the last – Skills and Technology – seems like the basis for a skills-sharing programme. Anne pointed out the Machinery Ring, Gerry pointed out Adults Education centres, And WEA was mentioned, as resources.

**Pete will go ahead with a skills programme.**

Pete's group 2 ('Ear Today') was partly about developing our self-critical faculties within the group. This idea gave rise to a decision to have a permanent agenda item of 'Moans' to ensure that there is an opportunity to vent frustrations and resolve conflicts.

### New Community Strategy for Carmarthenshire

CCC is abolishing area forums to save money. **Adam to contact Mick Bates AM** (the new Environment Minister) to ask him how best to protest against this. He needs to know about the PLANED community consultation exercise we have considered and may proceed with – so Isabel will email Adam details.

### Minutes of these meetings to be published on the website from now on

**Steve to action.**

### Subgroups

Heart and Soul – no meeting in Jan, next will be 10<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Allotments – lease now signed. Article in Carmarthenshire Life expected. Theo Tigger (NT) would like to talk to some TL2 people. Mags to be told that this is OK with us, we just need dates.

Afallon – Pruning course was over-subscribed, and a second is being organised. We may need a policy on subsidised places on courses. TL2 to help Afallon out if necessary for some places on this course.

### Speaker programme

Penny Cole January 27<sup>th</sup> at St Teilo's

Sustain Wales and Soil Association – **Sue to check what's happening with Rhiannon**

BBNP – Grenville Ham on Microhydro – **Sue to sort out dates with Gren.**

### Film shows in Ammanford

Adam wants to organise a meeting at the Miners' Hall with e.g. End of Suburbia. TL2 will provide support.

### Transition Wales meeting CAT 7<sup>th</sup> Feb

Rhiannon going, Adam will go if he can get there and back in a day.

### Seize The Day

Not yet booked. Adam reported that the Small Nations Festival isn't taking place this year. A STD gig could take place at that kind of time effectively as a replacement. **Isabel and Adam to confer on this.**

### Signatories to bank account

Gerry Gold will replace Annie Davis Allen.

The next meeting will be held at the Angel on 16<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.