

Transition Sheffield Meeting Notes 16 Aug 2013

Present: Jenni Brooks, Gordon Ferguson, Peter Hartley, Rick Watson, Susannah Diamond

Review of the year

- We've done a lot: Repair Cafes, Rob Hopkins, Greenfair stalls, Other Cafe events;
- Also dealt with various requests from research students, media and the council (involvement in British Energy Challenge, Community Energy Workshop, etc.)
- Still have some Rob Hopkins books to sell on!

Transition Network Training

- SD to respond to Naresh with dates of Sat 2nd, 16th, and 23rd Oct and ask for a trainer.
- GF to see if we can book QMH for these dates.
- We'll then see which other local Transition groups are interested, and plan the day.

Allotment Soup

- RW has offered his allotment for allotment soup on 22 Sept.
- SD to prep materials, and flag up in forthcoming comms.

Next Repair Cafe

- GF involved in next cafe on 28th Sept, one after might be 30th Nov
- They are looking for more people capable of repairing stuff.
- SD to flag up in forthcoming comms.

Future Transition Cafes

- Could we do next one as Economic Transition in the face of Austerity: (time banks, local currencies etc.)
- Thinking about dates of 3rd and 17th Oct.
- JB to contact St Mary's time bank people.
- RW to contact Fusion cafe

- We could then do a similar combination about recycling for a future cafe event: Freegle, Repair Cafe etc.
- Might not always need external speakers if we can find good video clips.

Organisations speed dating event

- Maybe in January rather than in November.

External Events:

- People's Assembly against Austerity event on Sept 14 is already full for workshops but we can take a stall if we want to.
- GF to contact Positive Money and suggest they get in on Cafe Scientific with something about "economics isn't a science"... (Aaron Thierry presented there recently).
- We could find out prices/other options for us to put something on at Showroom independently.
- We could also consider the Third Sector Cafe, Philosophy Cafe and/or Paul Blomfield's Harland Cafe for other outreach events.
- SD to add to comms: Grow Sheffield are offering a funding workshop for food growing projects.

Comms

SD to complete changeover to new Wordpress site, and JB and GF should be ok to start to update it.
SD to be interviewed 30 Aug for Radio Sheff. Consider Transition Song, Seize the Day and Chumbawamba

Insurance

Want to get this sorted in time for fresher's week.

SD to ask Joan about whether there's a possibility to sort insurance through the Climate Alliance

Green map

Steve (from Burngreave) had asked about Sheffield green map discussed a couple of year's ago.

SD to get back to him to say that Grow Sheffield will soon release the Green Food map.

PS.

Forgot to mention:

- SD to flag up that Transition Sheffield [correction: Transition Network] is also offering a few new training opportunities open to anyone.