Minutes of Ludlow 21 Board Meeting 15th January 2020 at the Rose & Crown

Present – Ian Urry, Tish Dockerty, Chris Deaves, Kim Holroyd, Megan Blackmore

1. Apologies for absence – John Daniels	
2. Declarations of interest – none	
3. Minutes of last board meeting held on 12 th November 2019	
4. Matters arising (not elsewhere on the agenda) Outstanding payments for GF stalls. KH confirmed that she had emailed Jenny on each occasion when a stall payment was due. TD felt a list of businesses and individual names would be useful in future. KH explained that it had been complicated to tell who had paid and who had not. CD volunteered to try and sort this out. KH to send the list to CD.	KH / CD
MB had updated contacts list with people who had attended Shared Ideas meeting. MB had not circulated round up of ideas from meeting. These to be kept and used at further events. Facebook group Food Unfolded. IU's son works for them. Looking at ways of	
avoiding food waste. MB to share info with members	MB
5. Green Festival Date set as 12 th July First meeting 29 th Jan. IU had emailed GF mailing list. MB to circulate to members and supporters. TD unable to attend on the day. Another person needed to take on coordination of GF. IU expressed willingness to take on a bigger role in GF organisation. Suggestions for theme – Olympics, 2020 vision	МВ
6. Feedback from affiliated groups Transport Next meeting tomorrow. Bus timetable now in circulation. Board agreed it had been produced to a very professional standard. New Yaris hybrid being used by Car Club and popular. Presentation on electric vehicles given to Town Council. TC receptive Transport for Wales vision – did not look like Ludlow station was a priority. Transport group persisting with campaign to improve safety around the station forecourt. Fairtrade Fairtrade fortnight coming up. A number of activities arranged. Main event is a food conference on Sat 29 th Feb, with high profile speakers. Widely advertised all over Shropshire. Intention to focus on Ludlow at the end of the conference. Climate Friendly Diet On hold whilst KH busy with Extinction Rebellion Swifts nothing new to report	
Education IU did not feel keen to continue running the education group as it had been very difficult to engage local schools. Board thanked IU for his contribution, and felt we should seek other ways of engaging young people, and that GF will continue to be a platform for involvement of young people. Education of older people also necessary!	

Incredible Edible

Pocket Park funding application did not go ahead as the space chosen turned out not to be suitable according to Shropshire Council. Group continuing to look for spaces in Ludlow to 're-wild'.

Meeting bi-monthly, first Monday of every other month.

Seed swap and potato day to be held on 15th Feb.

Still looking at installing signage for plants which have been planted around town.

Energy

CD continued involvement with Neen Sollars hydro.

Planning application for Upper Galdeford development of old supermarket site is in.

CD noted that there is no mention of energy efficiency. CD will draw up a response. CD KH felt that high-density housing in the town centre was in itself a positive thing.

TD and CD had received invitation from Lightfoot re an event.

CD had spoken to Simon Ross of Marches Energy Agency and put in a Lottery fund application for a study to look at creating a proper local energy market, as distinct from energy schemes.

CD had attended Sharenergy event in Birmingham looking at how to make solar PV schemes self sustaining without reliance on feed-in tarrifs etc.

Plastics

Correction to last minutes – Judy Cox (not Sarah) is in charge of Plastic Free Ludlow. Unwrapping event planned for Friday 17th Jan. Shropshire Against Pointless Plastics planning an unwrapping event for July.

GSX

New GSX newsletter / roundup is out. GSX very occupied with Ironbridge power station development.

Car Club

already covered under Transport.

Food and Farming (Local to Ludlow)

New promotional material for market is out.

7. Financial Matters

Income and Expenditure sheet had been received from John and Jenny.

Next AGM due in June – to go on agenda for next meeting.

8. Green Drinks

Recently not well attended. TD suggested having a rota to make sure at least one Board member attends each event. MB to circulate a list of dates and all to sign up.

MB to look at automating reminders to mailing list.

MB/all MB

9. Communication

MB and CD to do more work on website.

Newsletter – reflect on at next meeting.

MB/CD

10. Round-up of local, national and global developments

Community Plan

Nothing new to report

Town Election

Two councillors have stepped down. Deadline for nominations is 24th Jan. Election will be held on 20th Feb. Information available on P4L website on how to stand. A meeting may be held for those interested. MB to circulate info from P4L to L21 mailing list.

Mortimer Forest

Drop in sessions held to feed back on consultation from Forestry England. KH had attended. Poorly publicised but quite well attended. Forestry England's position is that

MB

Mortimer Forest needs to make more of an income. Climate Emergency Student Strikes Global Strike 4 future is now broader than a student movemnt. Next date Friday 14 th February. Islabikes had led march on previous event. KH asked if L21 is interested in co-ordinating a march on a future Friday. IU felt this would be positive. COP26 Will be held in November. Currently due to be held in Glasgow. CD suggested contacting Philip Dunne regarding his possible attendance. The Board discussed the possibility of inviting Philip Dunne and/or other political representatives to GF. Follow-up to Shared Ideas meeting Top ideas to be discussed at Green Drinks. IU to circulate list of ideas, Board members	IU / all
to select items to lead discussion on, on the dates when they will be attending GD Drawdown – book recommended by IU	
11. AOB	
none	
12. Date of Next Meeting Wed 4 th March, 29 th April, at the Rose & Crown. Provisional AGM date 3 rd June	