

Teme Valley Environment Group 11th February 2010

Present: Penny (chair), Sheila (notes), Janet, Camilla, Tom.

Notes of the last meeting. Corrections. 1. Sheila did not say she would go to HES meeting. Litter pick will be on Sunday 28th March, not 27th. (Sheila to Email Cath Plant re volunteers participating).

Matters Arising:

Battery recycling: This is already being done by Knighton Community Support. **Janet** will contact Roy Williams to ask how we can help to publicise their service.

Film Night. 4th March Now Postponed. Christine to arrange speaker from Calon Cymru, probably in April.

NB: All press releases now have to be with Jane by the Sunday before the paper goes to print.

Farmers Market. Change of dates. Camilla will do "Junk Music" on 13th March not 27th.

Transport Workshop: Sunday 14th March 11am. At 6 Church St, (Camilla and Angie's house). Marilyn Tippet will share her expertise on how to set up a scheme followed by lunch and a discussion about how we can do it in Knighton. Please invite anyone who might be interested.

Local firewood production: Request for anyone interested in purchasing land for local firewood production /community use. Contact Angie Zelter for details.

Tidy Towns: We have now banked the grant of 587.40. Good news that the 181.00 for insurance can now be spent on a local project, as Keep Wales Tidy have just introduced a group scheme to cover all groups in Wales. We agreed to purchase basic equipment immediately so that it is available for the litter pick on 28th March. **Sheila** to order.

Tom will attend the KWT training session on recognition and control of invasive species (Japanese Knotweed etc) at Builth on 24th Feb. The group can now meet travelling expenses providing receipts are produced.

Music project: Camilla has an Opera about Climate Change that can be performed by local people at local events. Are there opportunities locally? **Sheila** to give Camilla contact for Lightfoot who may be planning awareness events.

Food Survey Project. Information has been emailed to all TVEG members. **Penny** will contact Richard Pitts, currently we do not have the capacity to take on a major project.

Farmers Market:

Seed Swap on 27th Feb. **Sheila** co-ordinating this. Would appreciate some support on the day.

Junk Music on 13th March **Camilla** running session on making musical instruments out of junk/bottle tops.

Display on recycling to be included (**Janet?**).

27th March ? Publicise litter pick on following day?

Membership. We need to be more widely known. **Janet** to contact David Tolman to ask about possibility of link to Knighton Websites. Penny has a list of "members" and "friends". Need to ensure we all have the same list.

AOB.

Links with other groups: KLEEN in Kington have an Open Houses day on 21st Feb. An opportunity to see green technology (such as wood pellet stoves) installed and in action.. Transport share if possible.

AGM: Wednesday 31st March 7.30pm at The George. Please attend!