

# SUSWOT STEERING GROUP MEETING

7:30PM, THURSDAY 11TH JULY, ALEX'S HOUSE

## PRESENT

Alex Dunn, Mike Crabbe, Fran Bragg, Hattie Lupton, Matt Hobbs

### Apologies

Myra Jones, Jill Kempshall

## STEERING GROUP

Sue Lloyd does not want to join the steering group.

Treasurer. We still need one.

## EXISTING PROJECTS STATUS

Projects were summarised in minutes of last open meeting in June. Circulate these minutes from last meeting, highlighting the following:

- Need more help with produce market
- Green drinks
- Village Show classes
- Ideas for SusWoT
- 8th August open meeting

### Biodiversity

#### Energy

#### Get Growing

Fewer tomatoes, more other stuff.

Forest of Avon tree man.

- Include matting with trees – only 50p – suppresses weeds. etc. and improves tree's prospects of thriving
- £25/tree
- also fruit bushes.

### Local Food

- see Eat WoT Grows below

### Market

Helpers – rotas? Keep hold of people who come once.

### Green Drinks

Mike and Phil have taken to going for a meal at 6ish and getting a table.

### Schools Events

### Neighbourhood Plan

## POTENTIAL NEW PROJECTS

### Wormeries

### Village Trail

### Animal Reserve

## UPCOMING SUSWOT EVENTS

### Village Show

Sat 7th September

SusWoT has one class: class 29 – plant grown from seeds supplied by SusWoT (U16). Produce from the plants. ? photo of plant if produce not available on the day. Could include tomatoes grown from seedlings as well as germinated from seed.

Trophy – wooden bowl. Title – SusWoT trophy. Could have e.g. octagonal base with room for 8 plaques.

Do we have any entrants? **Need to promote.**

Next year's classes:

Need this clear for next year – Alex.

- cooked item where principal ingredient was grown from SusWoT seeds/seedlings.
- Selection of other vegetables grown by novices from SusWoT seeds/seedlings.
- Selection of other vegetables grown by U16 from SusWoT seeds/seedlings.

### Eat WoT Grows

#### Date

- Max 60 people
- Sunday lunch – 15 preferably or 22 Sept.- ask Richard
- Book previous Saturday for preparation.

#### Licensing

- Do we need an event licence
- Alcohol for “donations”

#### Tickets

- Mike to print
- £10 adult
- £2 child under 16
- £2 off for bringing stuff
- Review numbers at 8 August meeting after July market

#### Venue

- Scout Hut fine, has good facilities and is good value.
- Check crockery/cutlery quantities
- Village Hall is expensive and unknown facilities.

#### Food

- Discount for bringing something you’ve grown
- Need a list of required items and helpers required for preparation and serving - Matt
- List owner to collate pledges
- Include these requirements on publicity.
- Needs to come to Scout Hut on Saturday morning. Can then check shopping requirements.
- Sort meat – Matt.
- Vegetarian option or other dietary requirements.
- Leftovers?

#### Drink

- BYO or sale or return from Majestic - Alex
- Apple juice
- Cider wasn’t popular.
- Coffee. Someone different to organise this.

#### Decorating

- Display on noticeboard
- Flowers and table cloths – Hattie? Not sure who did this before, was it Jill?

#### Music

- Charlie was popular – Fran
- Hattie’s friend Naomi

#### Opening “speech”

- Point of event, SusWoT
- Practical instructions

#### Name

- Eat WoT U Grow

#### Publicity

- Word of mouth – people who came last time, sell a couple of tickets each
- Email
- Tickets at markets, July and August
- Sell at Flower Show/use as prizes
- City Farm people

- Jane Stevens and Get Growing people
- Community Garden
- Allotment group
- Schools gardening clubs? Difficulty of school holidays.
- Flyers and tickets for 27th July market. Check if Myra is having a leaflet drop is happening before then.
- WoT Society.

## **UPDATE ON OTHER LOCAL EVENTS AND ISSUES**

### Other Events of Interest

#### Planning

#### Transport

## **ADMINISTRATIVE**

### Communication

Need to rethink communication to make it both effective and manageable. Spend more time promoting other organisations than SusWoT due to quantity of emails we get and the variety of formats they are in.

- Email.
- Website, social media
- Local publications

Ask local estate agents to promote SusWoT in moving in packs.

### Finance

#### Meetings Schedule/ Dates of Next Meetings

Next booked meeting is 8th August.

- Social occasion – PO Tavern 7:30
- Prepare for meal.
- Prepare for village show.
- Talk about wormeries.
- Communication management.
- Tree man.
- Ideas for coming year.