

# **SusWoT MEETING**

**7:30pm, 31st October 2024, Village Hall**

## **Present**

Alex Dunn, Liz Viggars, Mike Crabbe, Richard Bennett, Pat Meek, Keith Yeandel, David McGregor, Fran Bragg, Julia Schwarz, Myra Jones

## **Apologies**

Steve Tainton, Tracy Tainton, Jill Kempshall

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## **Previous Minutes**

<https://www.suswot.org.uk/minutes/>

## **REGULAR ITEMS**

### **Domestic Energy**

Warmer Westbury Homes Fair will be happening from 10am-4pm on Saturday 16th November. We have around 12 professional stalls of different types coming. UWE are bringing some students with a game. There will also be DIY displays, with samples to take away. "I Did It" will show projects undertaken by some local people have done in their own homes. There will also be a children's area and refreshments.

We need to deliver leaflets to every home in Westbury. We need help with this. Posters have already gone into local businesses and they have also asked for leaflets. Andy Renshaw has a list of addresses in the area that would help us to work out how many leaflets we need for each area. Parts of Henleaze and Southmead are much nearer to the Village Hall than the far side of Westbury. We should have 10,000 leaflets by Monday morning. The most important thing is to document where we have been. We should aim strongly to get all the deliveries done by Friday, a full week before the event.

We are offering tea, coffee and cakes and supply lunch for the stall holders and volunteers. We can look for a local caterer such as Zest (£5/sandwich) or The Mouse (first weekend for new proprietors), make things ourselves or buy a bulk lot of sandwiches from the local supermarket. We could use somewhere like CostCo if someone has a membership. The Village Hall had an event last week with food - who did this catering? The tea, coffee and squash will be free and we will leave a donation box for the cakes and biscuits. Lunch for stall holders will be upstairs in the Fielder Room.

We need volunteers to deliver leaflets

We need volunteers on the day.

- Meet and greet on the door - 1
- Tea and coffee - 2
- Fielder room - 1
- I Did It - maybe just an unmanned display
- Children's area - 2
- Circulating in the hall - 4 (including some of the UWE students)
- This makes 10 people at any one time x 6 hours

We would like to know where people have come from and what they were hoping to find and did they find it. This could be included in the survey being done by the UWE students.

We also need to create a floorplan. We need to identify the resources available including power sockets, display boards, numbers of tables and chairs. We also need to make sure stall holders are able to unload their equipment and park nearby.

Risk assessments. Fire.

We should put posters around the village on the day directing people to the event. The SusWoT banner and those of other participants such as BEN and Retrofit West can go out at the front of the Village Hall.

There will be a SusWoT table with our own material and sign up for Open Homes.

Do we want to give people stuff?

Ask for more I Did It contributions.

## **Litter**

## **Trout in the Trym - River Cleaning, Himalayan Balsam**

A bit more balsam is being dealt with. Work continues.

Fonthill Park near BAWA is in need of tidying.

## **Get Growing**

## **Library Garden**

Six sacks of horse manure have been added to the library garden soil.

## **Supper Club/ Meal Nights**

### Second Thursday - Restarant

Thursday 14th November

Indian Kitchen

### Third Tuesday - Pub

It has been suggested that this should be moved to being always 12 days after the Thursday meal. This was agreed. This is usually, but not always, the fourth Tuesday in the month. This keeps the meal nights better spread throughout the month.

Tuesday 26th November

## **Events - Recent and Upcoming**

## **Publicity**

We currently have a lot of publicity going on in relation to the Warmer Westbury Homes Fair including multiple entries in BS9 also relating to Trout in the Trym.

The website has been revamped significantly. We need to ensure we keep the content current. If anyone wants to write a piece about anything related to SusWoT, please let us know.

The Trout in the Trym website will be tackled in a similar way in due course.

## **Phone Apps**

## **Formal Structure of SusWoT**

Next month we need to formally close down the current unincorporated organisation and re-open it as a charity.

## **AOB**

## **Date of Next Meeting**

7:30pm, Thursday 28th November at the Village Hall

Regular meeting time: 7:30pm, last Thursday of the month, Westbury-on-Trym Village Hall