

Transition Town Kingston – management team meeting
6.00pm, Tues 25 Sept 2018, Rose Cafe

Present: Des Kay, Marilyn Mason, Mo Mohsen, Alison Whybrow

Apologies: none received

NOTES (Offers and Actions in red)

1. **Last few meetings' notes** approved to publish on website - default would be for **MM** to publish soon after each meeting as long as there were no objections or errors pointed out)
2. **Matters arising/held over not elsewhere on the Agenda:**
 - **Regular TTK roles:**
(NF-L's continued absence due to work and family pressures was noted, but we remained uncertain if this was permanent.)
 - **MoM** offered to **chair TTK MT meetings**;
 - **MM** would continue with **newsletter** and as **secretary/note-taker**;
 - **HG** was requested in her absence to continue as **treasurer**;
 - **Comms** - much discussion about the relative merits of website (a useful archive/library/record, a necessary public presence, but over-complicated, tending to be static/out-of-date, and not fully functioning) v Facebook page (much more dynamic, easier to edit and engage with, but tending to be transient - posts disappear v fast); **AW** would tackle simplifying and updating TTK website with input from **MoM** and his friend + **MM** would retrieve and resend her notes about long-standing issues needing sorting out (**All** can join in!); **All** to use Facebook page to circulate news, discussions etc.. **All** to consider joining MeetUp as an ordinary member (free) to enable hosting or co-hosting events and sharing hosting with MM and MoM.
 - **Relationships with other local green groups** - can we clarify in some way, at some time? Are we all engaged in Transition, whether we use the term or not? Can we work more closely with other local groups - does it matter who is in TTK and who is outside it? (It does when it comes to AGMs, taking space in the Green Zone...) What does TTK do or offer? One useful function is support for projects and events brought to TTK, e.g. by taking small financial risks such as paying for events, providing a bank account and insurance cover - but many local green groups don't need these and value their independence. Does/can Kingston Environment Forum provide the umbrella/collective voice and interface with the Council that TTK might aspire to? (Up to a point and only if there is more active participation from KEF member-groups.)
3. **Updates:**
 - **TTK feedback on Carnival Green Zone** generally positive, **AW** and **MoM** keen to support a 2019 GZ if it happened; **MM** would take this and other GZ feedback to Carnival debrief on 26/9, **DK** would also be there.
 - **MoM's Happiness course** is going well, he recommends volunteering but can TTK provide opps for volunteers?
4. **Ideas & volunteers for future TTK events, activities, projects, monthly(?) public events;**
 - Sept 28th - Trump v Gore** organised by **AW** - see Appendix 1. **MM** has started to publicise, intends to go and can help on the night. Around 20 takers so far, **AW** had sent invoice to **HG** and TTK would pay and take donations on the night to offset costs. (**MM** would add the £3 donated at GZ to this kitty).
 - Oct:** **MoM** would organise a **workshop on micro-greens and sprouting**, and choose a date and venue for TTK to publicise and finance
 - Nov 2, 6.30pm:** Canbury Community Garden bonfire party for TTK and garden volunteers (see CCG Facebook page)
 - Dec:** Can we join in KEC's Solstice party? **MM** would raise with KEC.
 - Every month:** MT meeting and Green Drinks (**All**)

Date of next meeting: last Tues of next month, 30 October, 6.00pm, venue t b c, followed by Green Drinks at Woody's at 7.00pm.