

# HASL General Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 02/09/14

**Location:** Hanover Community Centre meeting room

**Attendees:** David, Les, Caitriona, Leslie and Ian

**Apologies:** Paul, Jackie, Sarah, Tracey

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## 1. Finances

Tracey has compiled and submitted the grant application to the council. Not decision expected till late September.

VEG currently has approx. £150 available to spend

## 2. Sub-Groups

VEG – The veg garden is producing lots of veg this year. There are quite a good number of people coming along each week. There is about 4 new regular gardeners and about 10 people come along every week with others dropping in as they walk past.

Food Waste Collective – Latest event on 12<sup>th</sup> August was a great success with 4 pallets of food distributed to approx. 43 charities by 23 volunteers.

Film Group – Next film is Garbage Warrior on 18<sup>th</sup> September. It was suggested that the Age of Stupid and Economics of Happiness could be shown again as they are very popular and several of the people at the meeting had not seen either film.

10:10 – apologies for no report. The Hanover centre will be open for eco open houses on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> October.

Streets are for Sharing – no updated lately. Likely that Play Streets will be the next project for such community projects. Simon is involved in Scotland street bike parking.

## 3. Next HASL social

Next event to be the Book Event on 7<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm upstairs at the Southover, subject to it being available. DG to look into reserving the Southover.

The idea of having a social to discuss Zero Carbon Britain which can be emailed around will go ahead. Furthermore, people will be invited to bring a book to pitch and also people will be invited to bring a book they are willing to swap. Check with SG if still happy to record any book lends that go on.

## 4. Play Streets

Past play street events have been successful. The idea is that after agreement with the council, 12 play street days over the year will occur on the street on flexible days once per month. A petition is needed to get agreement from a certain percentage of households on the street in question. Ian to get in contact with the council for the ins and outs and liaise with Leslie about getting this to happen on either Washington Street or Belgrave Street. DG to put some playstreets info together for the Hanover Directory.

## 5. Sustainability Bulletin

Delivery has been successful so far, there are still two boxes to give out but the bulk of the streets have been covered. If anyone has the inclination to do some deliveries, get in contact with David.

## 6. Beer Festival

David and Paul are keen to sponsor a barrell on behalf of HASL. This money (£50) will be raised by specific donations by HASL members so if anyone is willing to contribute get in contact with DG or PN

## 7. AGM

Any ideas for an AGM?

Potential to tag along with the Zero Carbon Britain event – DG to chase Paul on dates for this event.

Potential idea: to have a film showing of the Age of Stupid or Economics of Happiness.

Ask Paul to do a report for the AGM

Pencilled in a date of 21<sup>st</sup> November for the AGM unless the event is going to partner up with the ZCB event.

## 8. AOB

Les is involved in Carbon Conversations which is a series of 6 2hr meetings facilitated by trained carbon conversationalists to talk about ways to reduce carbon and take action in non-judgemental environment. Run by Peace and Environment Centre with support from the Council.