

**YORK ENVIRONMENT FORUM
MINUTES OF MEETING 11th.Sept.2018**

Present:

Philip Crowe	York Tomorrow
Carole Green	Bishopthorpe PC
Andy d'Agorne	Green Party/individual member
Penny Bainbridge	Edible York
Roger Pierce	Friargate Quakers
Ron Healey	CPRE Nth.Yorks
Dave Merrett	York TUC/ individual member
June Tranmer	Healing Clinic/Briar House
John Cossham	TangHall/Heworth Road Safety
Sara Robin	Yorks.Wildlife Trust
Adrian Lovett	Good Food York
Audrey Miller	individual member

Chair Phil.Bixby

1 WELCOME, APOLOGIES, MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Apologies: Tom Waring, Dot Lawton

Penny B. reported that there were now 23 paid-up members.

2 minutes agreed.

DM for the Transport Subgroup noted that CYC had provisionally agreed £5k from the 2019/2020 budget to support consultation, with a possible LEP contribution. The Group had two new members. A radical rethink was needed on York Central to re-inforce low car use and confirm bus priorities.

A d'A noted that in discussions with bus operators it was clear that they were not clear on the expected outcomes of CYC policy, and when Euro 6 buses were to be introduced. Will these satisfy CYC expectations? At the moment services provided fewer than five times per day were exempt from any obligations.

3 AIR QUALITY BRIEFING - future presentation

Points to be submitted to Mike Southcombe CYC in advance:-

How were bus emissions being dealt with? Improvements needed by 2020/21.

Vans, cars taxis (cf.Uber) are all problems. What will a "clean Air Zone" actually mean in practice? How can it be enforced?

Is there progress on transshipment? Is it technically and financially feasible? What do local traders think?

How is the "school run" to be tackled? Rewards to pupils for walking?

There is a need to control domestic fuel burning. What are safe levels of wood burner and other closed-stove emissions?

Don't forget that traffic noise pollution can be a major problem, particularly for domestic premises. Note the constraints on retro-fit glazing-this should tie in with CYC fuel efficiency strategies.

PB stated that these and other comments would be forwarded - the date to be confirmed.

4- WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

not discussed

5- YORK CENTRAL PLANNING APPLICATION

PB stated that members' individual comments as submitted would be consolidated in a formal YEF response (*see previous minutes*) Closing date Sept.28th.

A.O.B.

JC noted a climate change protest event at the Crescent on Oct.1st.

DM noted a Bus Forum mtg. with Julian Sturdy MP on Sept.19th

Penny B. noted the Edible York AGM on Oct.13th. with festivities.

St.Nicks AGM with "listen to trees" on Sept.15th.

YWF to hold an event at Askham Bog on Sept.15th.

NEXT MEETING

Date Tues. Oct.9th..2018

Venue West Offices

Agenda as tabled

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