

Health & Wellbeing Group - Notes of a Meeting Held on 12th October 2009 at FACT

Ecohealth Initiative Neil Chadborn reported that progress on this Initiative which had previously been presented to the Group was ongoing, he was also actively engaged in the proposal for Granby under the Integrated Cities Initiative.

Climate Change Map. Neil also reported that the Department of Energy and Climate Change had published an Internet map showing the forecast effects of Climate Change for each part of the country.

Synergia Initiative Alan Cunningham presented a paper describing the Synergia Initiative. An Initiative designed to show the strong interrelationships that exist between sustainable living, health and social justice. Synergia supported the better local use of available local information and resources and included local the preparation of customised local area profiles for electoral wards and for super output areas (small local census areas) from data provided by the Office for National Statistics. Alan reported that he had also received an offer of help with the production of local GIS (Geographical Information System) maps for the relevant areas.

Noahs Ark – Transition Parish Rev. Arthur Fitzgerald mentioned that the northern Justice and Peace Groups had sponsored a barge containing an exhibition on the environment this had traversed the whole length of the Leeds Liverpool Canal. This project had created some interest in the concept of a Transition Parish. (Justice and Peace Groups work for social and environmental justice in Catholic and Ecumenical settings).

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