

Energy Group Minutes January 17th 2016

1. Present: John Garrett, Geoff Cunningham, Dinah Dossor, Dan Jewell, Chris Sole.
2. Apologies: Elizabeth Turp
3. Minutes of December meeting; agreed
4. Welcome to Chris Sole; currently doing a PhD at The Stephenson Institute Liverpool University on battery development and energy storage.
5. Retrofit: GC. CORE still sending monthly newsletter.
6. Divestment Campaign; LCC pension fund staying involved with fossil fuel industries “in order to better influence government policy”. Bailiffs are currently moving into the Upton Frack Free camp.
7. Climate Change Campaign; No further news.
8. Community Energy Companies; JG No further news.
9. Merseyside Collective Switch; JG. <http://www.lcrenergyswitch.co.uk/> No further news.
10. Energy Storage; Discussion of the Eco Office heat pump system which works at around 3p per Kwh. John Garrett is preparing a new set of statistics for the second year of running the heat pump to be published on the website www.ullet-eco.co.uk .
11. Transition Cafe; next meeting Wednesday February 10th at 6.30 at the Quaker Meeting House for soup drinks and light refreshments . The topic is “From Seed to Soup” growing fruit and vegetables in small spaces for cost effective and healthy eating. The Spring Programme can be found on the Transition website. DOLLS HOUSE ask TT if anyone wants to house it.
12. News Items;
 - a) Jeremy Corbyn’s statement (Independent, Friday; Guardian Saturday) of redistribution of energy is welcome and noted that he spoke about energy efficiency at a recent Liverpool meeting.
 - b) Lower Alt Wind Farm is seeking endorsement via an online consultation www.loweraltwindfarm.co.uk .
13. Next meeting: Sunday January 21st at 7.30 p.m at the Eco Offices 125a Ullet Road L17 2AB.