

NHTT Local Food Group Meeting Minutes

Letham Village Hall, Wednesday 24 Feb 7.30pm

Present: Hayley Mills, Andrew McKie, Louise Barron, Hamid Van Koten, Sandy Finlayson, John Rae, Barbara Holden, Clare Hamilton-Sturdy, Lesley Paterson

Apologies: Katie Connolly, Becky Little, Jean Gowan, Kerstin Fricke

- 'In Transition' Screening
Hamid gave a brief introduction and then the group watched the film 'In Transition'

Following on from this there was a discussion around the film and the issues it had raised for members of the group.

- There followed a discussion around the direction of the food group and what our priorities should be. We now have a mailing list of over 60. The structure of the group has changed and we need to engage some of these new people at meetings. A skills audit was suggested.
It was suggested that we needed to talk round the remaining CCF projects and how we can progress them. Crispin Hayes has offered to come along to the next meeting to discuss taking the Bake house Feasibility Project on.

It was suggested that it would be useful for the food group do a visioning exercise. This would use future visioning and back casting to find out where members of the group would like to us to be in 20 years time, and then working back through the stages we need to go through to get there. This exercise may also draw out individual skill sets from people within the group.

It was agreed that this was an important thing to do as soon as possible.

This will now take place at the March meeting. The exercise will be led by Hamid. The group will then discuss food group business including Bake house Feasibility, Community Bulk Buying.

The scheduled Master Composter talk will be moved to the April meeting if possible.

Action Point- Hayley to re arrange the Master Composter presentation

Action Point- Louise and Barbara to liaise on putting something in the food group newsletter and NHTT e bulletin ahead of next food group meeting explaining the process and why we are doing it. Hamid will contribute when first draft of this is ready. Also a write up of February meeting should go in the e bulletin WC 01/03/10.

- Next Meeting Tuesday 23 March 7.30pm Letham Village Hall