

# Wycombe Friends of the Earth – Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2008, 7.30pm

The Environment Centre, Holywell Mead, High Wycombe

**Present:** 10

**Apologies:** 1

## **1. Schools Energy Wastage.**

- All letters and surveys have been sent off now with no replies yet.

## **2. Eden Centre – Plastic bag-free zone.**

- It is too busy to have a publicity pitch on the Eden opening day.
- Black and white leaflets and a few colour posters giving reasons for not using plastic bags will be printed for distribution later.
- Permission has been given for us to use Wycombe District Council logo on leaflets, posters and the website poster.
- A double sided post card to go in windows of shops that have gone plastic-bag free.
- Permission has been requested to give out leaflets in the town and the Eden Centre.
- The use of compostable bags has been questioned. This will be clarified.

## **3. The Big Ask**

- Saturday April 5<sup>th</sup> is day of action. Items from National FOE have been sent for our use.
- Venue: 11 am, possibly outside Top Shop. Photo taken first. Then leaflets handed out.
- Sub-committee will meet Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm
- A press release will be organised.

## **4. Finance**

- 3 more membership fees have been paid. The group is in credit.

## **5. Sports Centre**

- No further information at the moment. Feasibility study due in June.

## **6. Parks and Wild Areas.**

- The Council has been informed about location of uncommon wild flowers.

## **7. Radio Times' 70 Eco tips**

- Tips will hopefully be put on our website shortly.

## **8. Message in the Waves.** (about the problems of waste plastic)

- A viewing of this film has booked 26<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm at the Environment Centre.
- A press release will be organised.

## **9. Website**

- Website is up and running. Format approved.

## **10. Speakers for Future Meetings.**

- Someone from the River Wye project will be asked to speak at a meeting.
- Films and other possibilities to be investigated.

## **11. Any Other Business**

Toyota Prius 'Eco taxis' (hybrids) are setting up business in High Wycombe.

**12. Next meeting will be Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2008 at 7.30pm** at the Environment Centre (first Wednesday of each month).