

JERSEY CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK

Minutes of the meeting held 24th February 2009
at the Frances Le Sueur Centre, Les Mielles, St Ouen

Present: Francis Binney, Nick Palmer, Nigel Jones, Maya Hammarsal, Paul Hammarsal, Hazel Jones, Roger Jones, Mark Forskitt

Apologies: Stephen Le Quesne, Jacqui Jones, Jeremy Harris, John du Feu

1. **Minutes** of the last meeting were agreed.

2. **J-Can launch event.** Hazel reported that Andrew Mitchell is not coming to Jersey in the foreseeable future. Andrew Casebow was helpful and has given three names from G_CAN including Professor Davy (?sp) and Vanessa. Jeremy's input to be asked as he knows the three people. (HAZEL/JEREMY)

Joy Thompson (?sp) is organising an event at Durrell for 5th June, so don't want to clash. Paul reported they had made contact with some international students taking and M.Sc. in sustainability. At least one was looking to come over and would be interested to do a presentation, possibly in week 8th-14 June- which ties with environment week locally. We agreed to investigate this further (PAUL)

3. **Earth Hour.** Roger has sent press releases. Dolores of the JEP has come back with some questions. Jersey has official signed up. It was proposed we might next year try to get some specific local pledges to tie in with Earth Hour.

4. **100 Months movement.** We are already 6 months into the timescale. Francis outlines the campaign. It was agreed we are in support, but would want to localise and make relevant to people's lives, emphasising how CC etc will affect them.

5. **Copenhagen Conference.** It was agreed this is the most important campaign for the year. We need to ascertain if Jersey is bound by the outcome of the conference (MARK). Also we should identify local factors to tackle eg why we do not have a proper green tariff for electricity locally. Is there a term for the carbon equivalent of tax haven?

6. **States Strategic Plan. Mark reported back.** Had worked through the document, but had concluded it was far too weak on peak oil, food security or climate chaos to be worth trying to amend. It needs completely rewriting with a different set of priorities and premises. He had blogged a piece on this and had done a phrase count to show the imbalance in thinking. Some States members had picked upon this, and Ben Queree in JEP had commented. We may yet get some significant changes. Consultation /public comment continues until May.

The meeting felt the destabilisation of Jersey from inadequate preparation and responses to these global challenges is a big concern.

7. **Sub-groups**

7a Transport Francis circulated his detailed notes. These are split into 4 major groups to cover different types of engagement: public. Francis may have to pass over further work on this as it crosses over some areas he has to deal with in his job.

7b Recycling. We noted the potential for co-operating with Guernsey on some issues eg using their polystyrene machine. It was thought there is some historical resistance to co-operating within part of the States that should be challenged. Need more street bins for separate waste. Maya will consider taking on the recycling group co-ordination for the next meeting (MAYA).

7c Education & awareness. In Stephen's absence we discussed possibility of screening Age of Stupid. Only negative press of it so far was that it was depressing. We might have to follow up with more positive possibilities eg Transition Culture approach.

HAZEL agreed to investigate how to get a copy, and enquire about showing at the Arts Centre.

8. **Website/Facebook.** Mark and Nigel had an on going e-mail exchange and investigation into the possibilities of a wiki like site, but had not found a suitable option. It was agreed we would proceed with a simple site to get going. NIGEL will maintain site, MARK will provide content. We may talk to others for graphical/visual styling help.

9. **Newsletter.** Not discussed. Need to do – content from Marks blog and forthcoming events/actions. (MARK/ROGER)

10. **Bank Account.** We now have a n account at HSBC – the Coop proving problematic to clubs/societies. FRANCIS will do an updated supporter’s list and approach for funds.

11. **One World Meeting.** The A.G.M. is 26th March. Ian Gorst speaking. Several of those present were going and we would try to have a shared table.

12. **Next Meeting.** Tuesday 28th April, hopefully at Frances Le Sueur Centre, to be confirmed. Vanessa from G-Can is due to be Jersey and has been invited (JEREMY).

13. **Future Venue.** Meeting likes Frances Le Sueur Centre as a default. Possibly alternate with a venue in town to encourage participation. (JEREMY)

14. **AOB.** none