Transition Cambridge steering group minutes 17/9/09

attending: james,anna,maggie,pippa,naveen,jono,nicky,ben
listening in: andrew from newmarket, and ivan at the end

minutes: naveen
chair: james

agenda items brought forward from last meeting:
• direct action

new agenda items:

first half of meeting
• Mayor
• welcome group
• post training
• nvc
• windturbine workshop
• transition film
• tony juniper
• ZCC feedback
• st faith school
• corrina

second half of meeting:
structure of group etc

1) meeting the mayor
pippa will contact the mayors secretary to find a time,
we are thinking about meeting at the cafe for a 1- hour- meeting.
still have to figure out an agenda

2) welcome group
bev and naveen want to create an email to be sent out regular to newcomers on the mailing list,
and to offer regular/monthly meetings,where people can find out more about us and also a way to be involved if they wish...

3) post training meeting
naveen to organise as soon as possible

4) non violent communication training
nicky will inquire about grants and try to organise one in cambridge

5) windturbine workshop (making a mobile windturbine)
not really for us,
maybe the energy group would be interested...
ben to liase with them about it
nicky and anna to take forward if energy group don’t want to run it
(cost:1500.-)
6) **direct action**
we are wanting to get on board with people rather than imposing ourselves;
being a face that can be met

if anyone is involved in direct action then not in the name of transition (dont wear a transition tee...;)

7) **new transition film**, 70.-
we decided to get one,
anna will buy it and nicky will get us a projection screen

8) **zero carbon caravan**
was good event!

9) **tony juniper** offered to be in contact,
attend one of our meetings and give some advice/share some ideas?
would be good to do that with new constellation core group rather than just steering committee
date to be confirmed(nov?)

10) corrina is setting up transition cherry hinton and a support group

11) **st faith school stall,sat 26th of sept,**
anna will go, help still needed

**STRUCTURE**

ideas :

- monthly core group meetings (with spokes people from each subgroup)
- subgroups decide individually how often they meet
- we need to come up with a certain structure for the core group, to set up a good working group
- spokes to commit to a certain length of time /3 month?
- its function will be communication, co-ordination and strategy

- before we dissolve there have to be an admin/finance and awareness raising group set up
- **anna and nicky are looking into forming a financial/admin group**
- somehow we have to explain/discuss our ideas with the rest of the working groups and and set up
  a good rolling system that feels open and practical

**evolving rather than dissolving**

so we need to do two things:

- create a hub
- and evolve from there

**NEXT MEETING**

- document current steering committee tasks, so we can see which tasks need to be filled
- define into smaller tasks and expand into distinctive groups