

Sustainable Calne Monthly Meeting (via zoom) Minutes Thu 12th August 2021 7:00 pm



Agenda

- Welcome and apologies
- Sophy Fearnley-Whittingstall - Solar farms in Wiltshire.
- News & updates
- Approval of the July meeting minutes
- AOB
- Confirm the date/time for the next meeting

Attendees: John Bennett (Chair), Stan Woods (Treasurer), Denis Robinson, John Boaler, Denis Griffin (Secretary), Averil Ashton, Sophy Fernley-Whittingstall, Sam Pearce-Kearney, Fionna Campbell

Welcome & Apologies

Apologies: Jenny Joyce (Vice-Chair), Lizz Jennings, Bob Greenwood, Celia Stevens, John Barnes, James Gladding, Tom Morris,

John Bennett opened the meeting and welcomed our guest speaker **Sophy Fernley-Whittingstall**

Sophy gave an excellent presentation on Solar farms in Wiltshire. This covered the many benefits from locally-generated green power. She also updated us on two local Solar Farms that await planning approval by Wiltshire Council: Forest Gate (Pewsham) and Leigh Delamere (M4 Chippenham). She finished by answering our questions.

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Approved.

News & updates

Stan and John's recent visit to look at an unused green space at Marden Vale Academy has resulted our group assisting in transforming the space into a **Community Garden**.

John Bennett updated us on training he had as a walk leader with '**Get Wiltshire Walking**'. This group organise guided walks in Calne. They are looking to expand the number of walks and would like more people to volunteer to help.

Our '**Small Green Spaces**' team (Averil Ashton and John Boaler) will be on the **Sustainable Calne** stall at the **Calne FAIRTRADE - FAYRE** on Sat 14th Aug. They have prepared a flyer to hand out.

AOB

Next meeting date & time agreed:

Friday 10th September venue TBA 7:00 - 8:30 pm