

Notes of the meeting of the Energy group of the Kingsley Transition Initiative

The Red Bull pub, Wednesday 13th January 2010

Present: Simon Sherlock, Alison Davies, Anita Evans, Chris Woulds, John Woulds, George Ablett, Roy Griffiths, Bryan Bulloch, Stephen Lawson, Steve Powell, Allan Arthur

Allan Arthur gave a report emanating from the Energy Saving Trust (EST) and from the last meeting of the group and it was resolved that:

Home Energy Checks. Following these HECs, Heather will be requested to arrange a meeting between members of the group and Dysons, an insulation contractor, before any door knocking takes place in the village. Kingsley scouts will be included in any insulation exercise.

Thermal Imaging camera. Bryan Bulloch will proceed to undertake hire of the camera and will approach those who have expressed interest in its use.

Boiler scrappage scheme. The scheme has been launched and applicants need to apply swiftly. An early e-mail will be sent to those on the KTI database.

Solar Thermal systems and PV systems. Simon will commence a series of case studies via Roy Griffiths and D.Lightfoot. Allan Arthur will approach Simon Batey of Ball Lane about a case study of his PV installation. EST will be asked to advise current grant position.

Energy meters. Allan Arthur will pursue EST availability of a meter(s) for trial.

It was also resolved that:

Local contractors. This matter to be further discussed

Energy Generation. Led by Stephen Lawson, the group will investigate the possibility of research projects for a wind turbine and/ or of hydro power. George Ablett recommended approaching Maglevuk UK for a free assessment and he advised that planning permission would be required for a wind turbine. Allan Arthur advised that he would approach a contact made recently.

Switching Energy supplier. Bryan Bulloch referred to a recent success. The group agreed to beware recommending any particular switch. Simon/Bryan to put together a list of comparison sites for KTI web site.

Solid wall insulation. John Woulds reported that his solid wall property will potentially be used for insulation field trials. The property will provide another case study.

Time, Venue and date next meeting: 6.00pm, Horseshoe pub, Wednesday 10th Feb.