

# Arbroath Fairtrade Action Group

Minutes of Meeting — 23 November 2017, St Andrews Church, Arbroath

Present: Rebecca Brown, Paula Fenwick, Evelyn Fordyce, Jean Glass, Noela Watson, Margaret Todd

Apologies: Karen Bowie, Helen Muir, Janice Swankie

1. Minutes of previous meeting 22/8/17 approved and welcomed new member Margaret Todd to the group.

2. No Matters arising

3. Angus Fairtrade Zone Meeting

Next zone meeting will be held on 10 January 2018. Email from Kelly Ann Dempsey forwarded to the group as a couple of suggestions from the Zone group minutes were put forward for consideration by all fairtrade groups in Angus. Evelyn is attending.

4. Fairtrade Town Renewal application

Evelyn submitted Arbroath's Fairtrade renewal application to the Fairtrade Foundation.

Application has been received and is now awaiting decision on approval. Evelyn indicated roughly 8 weeks waiting time. The application has been circulated to the group.

Angus Zone (Kelly Ann Dempsey) has submitted their Fairtrade renewal application too.

Suggestion action was to ask for an Angus Council representative for the Arbroath Fairtrade

Action Group as due to change in councillors and MP looking to make contact so as to invite to attend our group meetings and events held.

5. Churches

St Andrews — Fairtrade teas and coffees served. They also have a Fairtrade stall for Christmas, catalogue orders have been placed — there has been a good take up.

St Marys — Serving roasted Fairtrade coffee and for their Christmas fayre will have a Fairtrade stall along with having Christmas Fairtrade baskets also including a chocolate stall and tombola.

St Thomas' — Fairtrade teas and coffees served and Traidcraft catalogues are available to place orders.

Old & Abbey - Fairtrade teas and coffees served and moving to have Fairtrade stalls to coincide with the season.

#### 6. Schools & College

Arbroath Academy —

Arbroath High School — make link with the school and check the status of Fairtrade activities.

Timmergreens — Evelyn made contact with the Head teacher — aim is to set up link with the school as they now have a group for Fairtrade

Dundee & Angus College (D&A) — to attend Christmas fayre on 1/12/17

#### 7. Finance

Bank Statement — funds are £814.07

#### 8. AOCB

Bramble B&B — to give Fair-trading sign up form to Margaret as she will enquire with the establishment to check if they are willing to sign up.

#### 9. Date of next meeting

30 January 2018, 7.30 at St. Andrews church.