

P-A-IN -- PEOPLE AGAINST INCINERATION

Minutes of PAIN meeting held at Rainworth Village Hall on 5th. February 2007 at 7.00pm.

Chaired by. Bernard Thompson (Chairman)
Trevor Stevens (Vice Chairman)
Minutes by. Jane Norwood / Linda Tift

IN ATTENDANCE.

please see attendance sheet, held by Membership Secretary.

APOLOGIES.

Shlomo Downen, Lorraine Downen, Charles Cannon.

Linda Tift and Paul Cullen to leave meeting 7.15pm to attend Bilsthorpe Tenants and Residents Association to give a presentation on behalf of PAIN.

SPECIAL NOTE:

Bernard Thompson wished to give a vote of thanks to Trevor Stevens for his hard work with the website and computer assistance. Also to Steven Barnes, from the Legal & Research team, for his hard work on researching the environmental issues.

Trevor Stevens & Bernard Thompson advised members that the agenda would be streamlined and to discuss later.

MINUTES of MEETING held 10th. January 2007.

Minutes of previous meeting were read out.

Confirmed as true and correct record.

Moved by Linda Tift . Seconded by Ray Johnson.

TREASURERS REPORT.

Balance as of 5th. February,07 £904.46

FUNDRAISING TEAM.

Linda Tift thanked members for donations of paper and printing and raffle prizes. Special thanks to Peter Bell for cakes and biscuits, available at the tea bar.

Thanks to Support Team for their hard work.

Last meeting raised £71.00 on raffle and refreshments.

Table Top Sale arranged for Sunday, 4th. March 2007, 9am.

Phoenix Suite, Rainworth Village Hall. Table tops available to sell goods. PAIN will have their own table

All donations of bric a brac, childrens clothes and toys, books etc gratefully received. Support Team to run raffle and sell refreshments. Volunteers required.

RESUME OF POLITICS SHOW. Sunday 21st.January 2007

Linda Tift thanked all the campaigners who turned out on such a bitterly cold day to support her. Linda said 'Although the actual television interview was very brief, there was a lot of discussion before and after. A number of issues came up that the Legal and Research team are currently working on.

Nothing changed my mind, and the other arguments seemed very weak. None more so than the input the Liason Committee can actually contribute to the process. Edward Thomas, Project Director for Veolia, would like more representatives from PAIN to join the liason committee but I explained there was too much conflict of interest for that to be viable. I requested that PAIN could do their own presentation within a Liason Meeting and Edward is agreeable. When I don't know and I don't really believe it will happen. Anyway, our fight goes on'.

Paddy Tipping, MP came across as pro-incineration and appeared to be adhering to the party line. Received a letter from Tenalps Midlands, BBC, advising that they thought our campaign was well presented.

Radio Mansfield interviewed Linda & Shlomo.

Radio 4, Costing the Earth, to do radio interview with Shlomo and other PAIN members. Date to be advised.

DISTRIBUTION TEAM.

Team have been working hard, but no report available.

MEMBERSHIP.

Allen Tift, Membership Secretary, thanked the 70 or so members who turned out to support Linda, on the Politics Show. Very good demonstration.

134 members, name, address contact numbers.

21 e-mails addresses supplied. More of these, the better.

57 members are paid up.

£174.00 in subscriptions paid to date.

Copies of agenda/minutes will be available on the website, or can be e-mailed, or posted for future meetings.

Suggestions for guest speakers at future meetings.

Planning Officer, MEP, local MP, Dr Dick Van Steenis

Allen asked the meeting to consider only admitting members in for future meetings but to give new members opportunity to attend several meetings before requesting them to pay membership to join PAIN. This would protect confidentiality for future meetings.

Membership cards now available and will also be the voting card.

Any difficulties, with paying membership, to be at Allens' discretion.

General consensus was that the meeting should continue to be open to all, but only paid up members to have voting rights.

Resolution to be included on next agenda.

Allen also felt that press releases needed to be high profile and as soon as possible after every meeting, or event.

LEGAL and RESEARCH TEAM

Meeting 22nd. January, 2007.

Next meeting 3rd. March. 2007

Report from Shlomo, presented by Trevor Stevens.

New team members welcome. No legal expertise required.

Please contact Shlomo or Trevor.

Research, including some 30 Environmental Information questions, already yielding valuable information, that is certain to be of use for objections to the planning application, due around October 2007, if all goes to Veolias' plan.

Steve Barnes shared some of his findings re: nature conservation, endangered species. See PAIN website or information available on request.

Bogus arguments about fireworks, recycling and incineration have been refuted. Copies available. This has been put to Veolia and Nottinghamshire County Council.

Shlomo also supporting formation of National Anti-Incineration Network, with first Annual General Meeting scheduled for Saturday 24th, March 07 – support for travel to and from London.

Report from Trevor Stevens regarding Nano Technology

When waste is burnt nano particles are released in to the air. Unofficially, checks below pm 3.0 are not recorded.

Reactions to the body. Pm .004 can cause entry through the skin, kidneys, liver can cause genetic damage to the body, leading to birth defects. Trevor has spoken to a scientist re a study on these effects. There is little information available at present.

Lots of evidence of the adverse effects of incineration within a 25 mile radius, and especially in those areas downwind of the incinerator.

Trevor can organise various speakers to attend a meeting and discuss available research. Invite press etc.

Old generation incinerators use old technology and the effects are well documented.

New generation incinerators should be using the best available technology. As yet, little or no research available.

EC legislation, newer technology to deal with waste, using state of the art, best available technology.

Trevor looking at other possibilities.

Plasma Gasification – a new technology, which does not involve incineration but blasting with carbon rods. No plants in the UK at present but Trevor investigating those built in other countries. European Human Rights, Section 8, discussed. Plasma Gasification Plants have saved 93 million dollars in health funds.

PUBLICITY

Website, being updated regularly, with new information.

Newsletter, going on line.

Car stickers are in production. £2.00 per sticker.

Waste bin stickers. 3 designs reviewed. Members need to vote.

Can do this online or let publicity team know.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter of resignation from Hazel Scrimshaw, Secretary, due to her husbands' ongoing illness.

Bernard and Trevor asked for a volunteer to fill the post. Members to consider.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Demonstration planned for Veolias next Liason Committee meeting. 12th. February, 5pm.
Rainworth Village Hall.

Tonights meeting raised. £34.00 raffle.

£18.31 tea bar

£24.00 membership payments.

Total: £76.31

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MONDAY 5th. MARCH 2007. 7.00pm
PHOENIX SUITE, RAINWORTH VILLAGE HALL.