

## UGP minutes 18<sup>th</sup> January 2012

Present: Tiago, Franco, Simon, Michelle, Graham, Colin

### **Agenda**

- Matters Arising
- Carnforth street
- Community involvement (with site design)
- Planning plants
- Planning site as a whole and maps
- Zion Centre visit (this Friday)
- Garden sharing scheme, with Transition Mos Side
- Linking with Kindling Trust
- Writing up external events for calendar

### **Matter arising**

- calls made about bank acc, not sorted yet
- Michelle to send email to Incredible Edible
- Col to bring scions next week for Hoon to swap at todmorden event
- group social confirmed, 4<sup>th</sup> of Feb
- Hoon to arrange events messages to go to his contacts list.
- Michelle to speak to Rob about Iding trees.

### **Carnforth Street**

Need to have a meeting dedicated to planning Carnforth Street – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan, 6.30pm, at Michelle's house. Will look at funding once have bank acc.

**Community involvement:** having an open meeting. Location? Could we arrange something with the school? -all present at meeting with to ask. Transition Moss Side have researched venues.. Cranswick Square Gardens – Colin to contact Phil (main person). What is seating capacity? Is there a sheltered area? Need to invite Mary, Leeroy, other local residents. Posters and flyers. Will need to plan open meeting: intro to our group and aims , picture of site and photos (inspirations too), somekind of discussion, invitation for input. What will happen to food? Incentive to be involved. Signs.

**Plans:** Tiago to email pdfs of site plans, and check if ok to put online. Zones?

**Choosing plants:** Would be good to choose plants with abundant crops – courgettes, fruit trees. Unusual plants? Water plants - Michelle to research. Deep shade plants – Michelle will type up her research and email to Colin to put on website. Climbers – nb the obelisks, the house end wall. Containers. Need to complete tree list – can look at symbiotic funghi. Soil improvers, green manures.

**Clearing the site:** what would we like to clear? Brambles, litterpick. Sunnier end would avoid issues with area that has building equipment in. Do on 3<sup>rd</sup> of February – should we get gloves? Ask council for litter pick gloves? Colin to contact Street Scene.

### **Visit to Zion C**

Sian Sweeney has been texted. Colin to ring tomorrow if not heard back from, and let group know if ok to visit then. How are we going to organise and manage it? What would our commitment be? We would like a space to grow on cuttings and seeds, to plant in Hulme area. We would be willing to commit to being there up to once a month in return, possibly to facilitate some workshops. Could be a good place to recruit people in Hulme from.

A.O.B: Tiago to design a new flyer.

Other events for discussion next week.