

Social Responsibility Committee

Notes from meeting held on 19/10/07

Present: Alan Green, Sarah Heafield, Margaret Hibbert

This was our first meeting and we used the time to review our current position and how we had arrived there.

Traidcraft stall: We felt this was a worthwhile thing to continue with and on the right sort of scale to promote Fair Trade products without being a huge selling exercise. We talked about the location - ? should it be in the Church Room This would be less visible to the 8 o'clockers but perhaps better for family service congregation (tho' fewer people tended to have coffee in the Ch Rm after family service than after "normal" 10 am service). Agreed that we should float the idea of having an extra stall (?in church) on the (?) 3rd Sunday in the magazine.

Eco-Congregation/recycling: We talked about the Eco-Congregation scheme, and the recycling areas that we promote as part of it. Agreed that we could continue to remind people about the basics (reduce and reuse as well as recycle), as well as continuing to promote recycling of different things. Felt that the Parish mag articles were useful.

We talked about talking to the Fabric committee with ideas about reducing our electricity use (eg turn off standby campaign), and how the proposed lighting scheme could be "greened".

Agenda for 2 April 2008

1. Traidcraft
2. Eco-Conggregation - recycling/church fabric
3. Outside contacts
4. The future