



## 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan, 2015 – Butler Green Committee



**Attended By:** Mike Stewart, Rupert Maspero, Jonathan Harrison, Matt Armitage, Lexie Taylor, Amy Batley, Miranda Pettifer, Calum Masters, Lucy Astill

### Weekly Update

- Thanks to £41 spent on cheese and wine – and £30 taking, so the standard loss
- Consider buying less cheese whilst maintaining the variety

### How to boost green morale:

- Plant growing competition
- Green Comm twitter page #Greenmoments
- Mike could paint his face green

### Fashion show:

- Festival theme for the green walk – there will be 8 models
- Green Comm can be advertised and credited during the walk
- Arts Comm have agreed to help and donate some of their budget if necessary
- We will be bleaching jumpers and tie-dying t-shirts
- We can do bits in Green Comm as well

### Questions for the local debate:

- 1) Which renewable energy source would you put the most emphasis on?
- 2) What are your opinions on Nuclear Power?
- 3) How would you balance university expansion with environmental impact, for example how do you feel about of campus sites such as Queens Campus and Ushaw?
- 4) How would you work with the university or other large businesses to reduce their environmental footprint? And how would they encourage sustainable economic growth in Durham?
- 5) Should we be talking about Green issues when only 6% of the population rank Green issues as their most important issue? Where would it rank in your priority?

**Butler Bikes:**

- Des wants to buy more Butler Bikes – do we think there will be enough demand?
- Can we get money to relaunch and promote
- Argument that they cannot be decorated in branding in case of theft
- Difficult to know which ones are Butler Bikes and which are not
- Money for maintenance would be good before buying more
- Put more information in welcome booklets – can pay at Fresher's Fair next year
- Put on tab on the website alongside gym membership information

**Trust Fund bid:**

- Investing in some sort of green project to promote green issues – ideally using existing technology
- Collecting rainwater on the roofs – connected to turbine
- Electricity generating gym items
- Solar panel phone chargers
- Solar panel patio heaters - <http://www.wayfair.co.uk/Sun-Tastic-Wall-Mounted-Infrared-Patio-Heater-104-101-SUTA1008.html>

**AOB:**

- How can we promote donating tins at the end of term? Promote the food bank donation and let people know where/how they can donate
- Market deliver – Easter roast dinner pack
- Needs publicising a lot more