

Newsletter July 2015

July news- Are we really all in it together?

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Dear friend,



Last weeks budget certainly confirmed what we already thought about the priorities of this government. Precious little for ordinary people of for the environment and huge handouts to the already wealthy. Clive Edmunds' take on this is on our website [here](#)

And, just a day after the budget, the Tamworth Herald reports on the growing hardship which has meant the establishment of another [foodbank](#) in the town.

Campaign against repeal of the Hunting Act



The last time we did our public petition it went down extremely well. Therefore, we are proposing to do it again on Saturday 25th July from 11am in Middle Entry. We will be opposite the British Heart Foundation shop. Do stop by for a chat or to lend a hand!

You can view and sign our petition [here](#)

We also have a new local postcard to hand out-



promoting the fox-hunting campaign and the Green Party. We will be using it with the petition but drop us a line if you would like a few copies to distribute. We have plenty!



The next Public Meeting of Tamworth Green Party will be at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th September at the Glascote Meeting Rooms.

We are pleased to have Robert Pass of Lichfield Green Party and Friends of the Earth to speak. More details in next month's newsletter.

A spot of fundraising



Some of us are hoping to have a stall at a car boot sale later in the year and raise some money for Tamworth Green Party.

If you have any bric-a-brac, books, CDs, DVDs, toys, games or anything else you would like to donate, let us know and we will collect from you.

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We would all like to extend our thanks to Sarah Walters for her fascinating talk on the Alvecote Woods which she owns and manages with her husband.

We look forward to taking her up on the offer to hold a meeting or social event there in the near future.

Watch this space for details!

Raising the temperature



38 Degrees is a national, non-party political campaigning organisation. You may have heard of them already and have probably signed one of their online petitions! A 38Degrees group for Tamworth is currently in formation. They meet on the first Thursday of each month, 8pm at the Tame Otter in Hopwas. Come along and help shape future campaigns or find out more [here](#)

Notes in brief:

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Imagine you uncover plans by the County Council to sell off our woodlands to private interests. What do you do?

Well, if you are Cannock Chase Green Party, you contact the press and start a [petition](#)...

Within days the local MP comes out in opposition and the council start to backtrack "no plans to sell Cannock Chase...only one of a range of options... mumble, mumble"

Round one to Cannock Greens!

Hats off to Little Plumpton!



Well done to campaigners in Little Plumpton, Lancashire who successfully persuaded the County Council to throw out plans to start 'fracking' there. Lichfield based fracking company Cuadrilla was behind the plans. We should remain vigilant in case the monster strikes again!

If you have any ideas for inclusion in future editions of this newsletter, please do not hesitate to get in touch!

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