Ilminster Fairtrade

What a difference a year makes! 2016-17



Annual General Meeting

- 1. Welcome from the Chairman;
- 2. Introductions and Apologies;
- 3. Approval of minutes of the last AGM, held 23 May 2016;
- 4. Election of Officers to the Management Committee;
- 5. Activity Reports for 2016/17 (including Accounts);
- 6. Ambitions 2017/18.





Welcome from the Chairman

"Thank you for supporting us this evening."

Roger Gurner, Chairman Ilminster Fairtrade



Introductions

Who are the members of the Management Committee?

Position Held:	By:
Chair	Roger Gurner
Secretary	Natalie Wainwright
Treasurer	Christopher Lawrence
Trader Liaison	David Westwood
Schools Champion	Claire Oaten
Co-opted Town Councillor(s)	Councillor Val Keitch (Mayor)
	Councillor Philip Burton
Co-opted Chamber of Commerce Member	Michael Fry-Foley



Approval of the minutes 23.05.2016



Election of Officers

Positions:

Chair

Secretary

Treasurer

Trader Liaison

Schools Champion

Co-opted Town Councillor(s)

Co-opted Chamber of Commerce Member





Road Signs

Five new road signs can be found at the entrance roads to the town, advertising Ilminster's Fairtrade Town Status. This project was made possible thanks to the generous contributions of our sponsors:

Ilminster Town Council;

Just Things (Fairtrade Shop); and

YOU,

the people of Ilminster!

Chairman





Fair Hair Campaign

Six of Ilminster's high-street hair salons signed up to our 'world first' and are now serving Fairtrade refreshments to their customers.

Trader Liaison











Greenfylde Becomes a Fair Aware School

Greenfylde fully embraced Fairtrade Fortnight and were thrilled to achieve a Fair Aware Award. Activities included:

- A visit by Sunny Ile Pre-School to Mikes Greengrocers to buy Fairtrade tea;
- Year 1s playing the Fairtrade Trolley Game and watching the Pablo the Banana story;
- Fun with the Breaks and Ladders Game;
- Acting in a Fairtrade Fortnight 2017 Assembly; and
- A visit to Tescos to spot the Fairtrade mark.

Schools Champion



Events 2017 ...so far!

Fairtrade Fortnight (27 February – 12 March) – Ilminster Fairtrade ran a Fairtrade Bake-off and selfie competition via social media. 'Likes' of the Ilminster Facebook Page have doubled since the start of the campaign.

Haynes Literature Fair (28 March)— Ilminster Fairtrade's Chairman and Trader Liaison attended the literature fair, at which more than 8,000 of the newly printed Fairtrade Town leaflets were handed over for wider distribution across South Somerset and Somerset.

Easter Egg Hunt (9 - 15 April)— In collaboration with The Minster, Ilminster Fairtrade ran a fun Fairtrade Easter Egg Hunt for the first time.

Tonight's Quiz – Another first for Ilminster Fairtrade!

Secretary



The Finances

Current balance £135.23

All money will go towards the distribution of our Fairtrade Town leaflet and the development of a Fairtrade Resource Box for Schools.

Recent income:

Customers of <u>Co-Op Food Ilminster</u> kindly donated £15.44 in loose change at the checkouts during March 2017. Ilminster Fairtrade were successful in their application to be the store's Local Cause of the Month. This was 'topped up' to £20;



Our Easter Egg Hunt raised £10.00;

£100 cheque from Ilminster Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Treasurer



Ambitions 2017/18

- South Somerset A Fairtrade District?;
- Commitment to serve Fairtrade refreshments during Ilminster Literary Festival;
- The Shrubbery Hotel & Warehouse Theatre;
- New community champions;
- Participate in Fairtrade Fortnight 2018;
- Fairtrade Resource Box for Schools;
- Young People's Fairtrade Leaflet

