

## Occupy Sheffield Minutes of General Assembly 10/5/12

We welcomed John to his first meeting

### Announcements

1. Peace in the Park (9<sup>th</sup> June). Handout being prepared (Simon). Performance Workshop (Clare)
2. Manchester Occupy event (12<sup>th</sup> May). Piccadilly Gardens. Monster sculpture covered with posters. International interest in sending in items. Chance for Sheffield Occupy to meet with Manchester.
3. Citadel. Progress in securing it as a `home`/venue (Belle).
4. UK Uncut training at The Plug, Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> May, 10am – 5.30pm.
5. Occupy members were present when Richard Wilkinson (author of the Spirit Level) spoke to the Sheffield Fairness Commission (Jean and Oliver).
6. Next GA Monday the 14<sup>th</sup> at the Quaker Meeting House. To be confirmed by email on Saturday (Robert).

### Agenda

7. There was discussion about the Fairness Commission and its plans including recommending that Sheffield Council pays a living wage to its employees and requires its contractors to do so. It also plans to recommend a narrowing of pay differentials in the Council (Jean and Oliver).
8. Communication. How do we achieve a situation where a new interested person Google's Occupy Sheffield and gets taken to a site that shows straight away the location, date and time of the next GA? Closely followed by other planned events and actions. We agreed that people going to the website are instead taken straight to the Wiki. The Wiki will have as it's first thing a brief description of a GA and the details of the next meeting (Charlie).
9. Climate Caravan visit and workshops organised by us. On Friday the 18<sup>th</sup> May the Climate Caravan arrives in Sheffield. At 6.30pm there will be a related event at the Quaker Meeting House. On the Saturday morning we have organised three workshops; Co-operatives led by Rory Ridley-Duff, Positive Money led by Peter Verity and Exploring and scaling up Local initiatives. The morning starts at 9.30am and finishes at 1pm. (Oliver).