

SOLIHULL AMNESTY GROUP

Minutes of meeting held on 21st May 2018

Present: Celia, Cathy, David, Janet, Bernard & Pauline, Luisa

Apologies: Megan, Pooja

Minutes & Actions from April

Luisa has been reporting the group's actions and other items of interest on the Solihull Amnesty Twitter site. You are advised to search for Solihull Twitter on internet and from there it is an auto login onto the site. **ACTION: Luisa will modify Facebook to make Cathy an administrator**

Future Events

1. Amnestea will be on Sunday 12 August starting at 2:30pm at Celia's house
2. Street Collection will be on Saturday 12 August
3. Canoldir Choir concert has been cancelled due to lack of sponsors

Secretary's Items

- **Monthly Action**

Transgender Rights in Finland . Write a letter of support. Celia will send round the link for further details. 2 members will write to Sakris Kupila and 2 to the prime minister of Finland .

- A report has been produced by AI on the Death Penalty and where it is still in use. It is available to view live on the AI website
- New Data Protection rules – our secretary has agreed to be part of the Google group set up by AIHQ.

Campaign Reports

- Nothing to report on Johan Teterissa
- It was agreed at a previous meeting that the group needs to take on another case but nothing is forthcoming from Duncan Booth so we must contact AIHQ. We have already asked for another case in the recently completed Annual Review but no one from AI has responded. It was decided by the members to send a general enquiry to AI asking for the name of the person responsible for campaigns. Celia will then contact him/her and put our request forward.
- **Baha'I request** - We agreed that before we ask a member of the Baha'i Sect to come along and talk to us we would inform ourselves about the group by watching Youtube video 'Education under Fire'. Luisa kindly brought along a projector and we watched the video which gave us an introduction into the persecution of the Baha'I sect in Iran. **ACTION: Celia to arrange a date for a member of the Baha'I sect to come along and talk to the group**

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

MONDAY 17th June 2018 (Apologies from Pauline and Bernard)

Minutes – Teas