

Fairtrade Annual Report

(for year ending 30 September 2009)

Area of Responsibility

Our group aims to maintain the status of Fairtrade Church which we attained, which means we have to:

- Use Fairtrade tea and coffee after services and in all meetings for which you have responsibility
- Move forward on using other Fairtrade products such as sugar, biscuits and fruit
- Promote Fairtrade during Fairtrade Fortnight and during the year through events, worship and other activities whenever possible

Summary of preceding year

We are a small group, with an active core of members, who meet approximately every 6 weeks.

This year we organised, a series of stalls at each Church service on a Sunday, offering people a chance to buy fairly traded items, as well as promoting the variety of products which are available.

We have recently offered to lead a homegroup with an evening of activities, including bible study, quiz and discussion on fair and unfair trade and how this impacts our lives as Christians.

We ran a Fairtrade coffee tasting event where we watched the movie Black Gold, discussed the issues and tasted coffee. This raised £205 towards the Church giving to World Vision.

Targets for the coming year

We will continue to run Fairtrade stalls on a quarterly basis.

We will promote Fairtrade Fortnight 2010.

We are hoping look at some of the wider issues which surround world trade, and to explore how these issues relate to the Church. This is to teach, and to inspire activism where injustice is visible. We hope to run a workshop in 2010.

Resource Implications for the coming year

At present we fund ourselves through our activities.