

**Meeting :** Projects & Finance Committee.

**Date :** 5.9.17

**Time:** 9.30am

**Location:** Congleton Town Hall, Spencer Suite

**In attendance:** S.Foster (Chair) M.Smith ,D.McGifford , Bob Edwards ,J.MacArthur, J.Money & S.Akers Smith

Guest

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1.	<p><b>Welcome and Introduction.</b></p> <p>Meeting chaired by S.Foster.</p>	<p>Apologies:- P.Aston,V.Cutcliffe P.Bates &amp; G.Williams</p>
2.	<p><b><u>Matter Arising from the last meeting (17.7.17)</u></b></p> <p><b>Item 2. The Mills Development.</b> As requested SF wrote to the 7 CEBC Ward Members (all Town Councillors) on 24.7.17, expressing our concerns on design and information regarding progress on the development. He asked then to lobby SGI on these issues. Only had one reply from our 7 members which in itself was not very forthcoming. <b>D.McG</b> to find who the new contact person is for <b>SGI</b> and who is the contact person for the development within <b>CEBC</b></p> <p><b>Item 2. Town Destination Boards.</b> Town centre now all sited. Jackie is awaiting money from CEBC to be able to deliver the maps for Congleton Railway Station and the bus shelters. <b>JMac</b> to contact Cheshire East re the funding promised (£1400) copy P.Bates into the email. Still no reply from Cheshire East, Jackie still to contact P.Bates. There also appears to be an issue regarding funding for the destination board in the town centre, we may need to look at alternatives, this will be picked up by the <b>Town Council.</b></p> <p><b>Item 2. MS to engage with H.Snoden</b> re PR / Health &amp; Wellbeing article around the play areas. Article appeared in The Chronicle albeit without photos. Play area activity, Jo Money has contacted</p>	<p>.</p> <p><b>D.McG find out contacts for SGI and CEBC</b></p> <p><b>J.Mac contact CEBC re funding support. Copy in P.Bates.</b></p> <p><b>CTC to pick up.</b></p>

	<p>L.Alcock about setting something up at some of the sites.</p> <p><b>Item 2.Cycling Issues- DMcG to meet with P.Griffiths and G.Butler.</b>  Meeting took place between DMcG,Ms,SAS and G.Butler.  D.McG met with D.Brown and G.Williams regarding the footbridge into the park from Morris Homes development. DB &amp; GW have now met with A.Arnold, no feedback from that meeting as yet. <b>D.McG</b> to chase up this feedback.</p>	<p><b>D.McG to chase up AA feedback.</b></p>
<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p><b><u>Project Update.</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Cenotaph.</i></b>  Community, Environment &amp; Services Committee briefed on the project 6<sup>th</sup> July.  New design and costing estimate (£375k) issued.  Planning application 17/3982C now with CEBC (8.8.17) and supported by CTC Planning Committee (Aug 2017)  Next steps are Public Consultation / Briefing and sourcing Funding.  DMcG gong to HLF along with I Doughty (Museum) to gauge HLF views on the project and to try and get them to come to Congleton to see for themselves.</p> <p>Funding. Will need to see what comes out of the HLF visit.</p> <p>Public briefing will be included in the Great War Exhibition Event, Town Hall, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 1030am to 4.00pm. Posters and flyers will be out first week in October.</p> <p><b><i>Public Realm Strategy.</i></b>  Work ongoing, Mill St should be open as planned. JMac concerned about traffic turning left off Mill St into the pedestrian area, GW has taken this up with CEBC.  <b>J.Mac</b> to approach CEBC re Xmas Tree support for this year as a gesture to the traders for what has been a difficult summer/autumn.  <b>J.Mac</b> to approach CEBC for a pictorial design to display around the town ans on the CTC website to give the public a better idea of what is planned.</p> <p><b>Town Centre Regeneration (Fairground Site etc)</b>  Possible need to re-establish the Town Centre Working Group, using the NH Plan – Town Centre</p>	<p><b>JMac approach CEBC</b></p> <p><b>J.Mac approach CEBC</b></p>

	<p>Delivery Plan as a guide.</p> <p><b>Leisure Centre.</b> MS issued Mark Wheelton's brief (July 2017) to the group prior to the July meeting. Little information within it other than construction likely to commence early 2018. No further information since then.</p> <p>Helga Mason has asked CEBC to withdraw Peter's name from the development and asked that the general public have a say in the naming of the LC.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p><b><u>2016/17 Project Updates.</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Dementia Friendly Town.</i></b></p> <p>Awareness Meeting held 26<sup>th</sup> July, 40+ attended.</p> <p>Steering Group formed and met 30<sup>th</sup> Aug at OSM. 20 attendees, Sara Rathbone nominated as Chair.</p> <p>Next Steering Group meeting 4<sup>th</sup> October, when we will discuss pledges/drop ins and activities.</p> <p>CTC voted to support the initiative at CE &amp; Services meeting Sept 2017.</p> <p><b><i>Destination Maps.</i></b></p> <p>See matters arising</p> <p><b><i>Heritage Trail Project.</i></b></p> <p>DMcG ,SF ,PA and MS met with Tim &amp; Adrian(TMC) ,they are looking for around £25k to kick the project off.</p> <p>DMcG going to a Rural Development Funding Meeting 5.9.17 will see how it will fit with them.</p> <p>Concerns were voiced around sustainability, long term/ongoing costs and real benefits to the town.</p> <p>SF suggested that we put together a joint working group between The Partnership, Town Council</p>	

and Museum. MMS / DMcG to set up a meeting during late October to bring these parties together.

**Date confirmed Wed 18<sup>th</sup> October, Spencer Suite 9.30am**

Partnership members SF, JMac, PA, MS and SAS

Will need an agenda put together to cover all the issues. **SF/DMcG**

***Mountbatten Way – Green Boulevard.***(Phase 3)

Look to remove more railings if not all. Need a discussion with Cheshire East / Highways for their views.

Public Realm Strategy – Project 3 of 12

Project process.

1. Walk round access what we have an opportunities (P/ship, CTC, Streetscape)
2. Discuss feasibility with Highways
3. Involve Ward Members.

***ITea & Chat – L. Alcock/ S Akers Smith.*** 12 sessions being planned across 6 locations. Looking for champions to run the sessions. May use some support from Congleton Learning Centre. **Budget Agreed up to £250**

***Congleton Sports Trust.***

AGM planned for Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, group members tasked with coming up with their own clubs project ideas.

**Working Group Mtg  
18.10.17**

**Agenda SF/ DMcG**

	<p>SAS and E Wardlaw to attend.</p> <p>EBA/CHS have now joined the Sports Trust, Vale Juniors working with EBA on a 3G Pitch project for community use, also carrying out some pitch drainage.</p> <p>Rugby Club working with CEBC on relocation on both a both temporary and permanent move to another site (Back Lane)</p> <p>Trusts long term plan is a sports development similar to Sandbach football facility.</p> <p><b>Cycling TOB Legacy.</b>Cycling Uk are interested in using Congleton as a pilot project for smaller towns.</p> <p>Joint meeting with CEBC/ Cycling campaign ( Claire Visco new cycling person CEBC)</p> <p>F.Bruce has raised the issue in Parliament around smaller town provision/support from government.</p> <p><b>SAS</b> to send out copy of the joint plan.</p> <p><b>Senior Health Fayre – Sept 29<sup>th</sup> –Congleton Town Hall, 10am to 1pm.</b> 35 exhibitors booked, with 3 or 4 interactive sessions planned in The Bridestones Suite. Flyers and Posters printed, PR will kick in early Sept. Budget agreed up to £400</p> <p><b>Walking Map Project.</b> 5 Towns Partnership Project similar to the cycling map project link the 5 old Congleton borough Towns by a safe and interesting walking route. Early days as yet first full project meeting planned for 10<sup>th</sup> October.</p>	<p><b>SAS send out copy of the joint plan.</b></p>
5.	<p><b><u>Funding requests</u></b> No requests at this meeting.</p>	
6.	<p><b><u>A.O.B</u></b> There was no further business.</p>	
7.	<p><b><u>Date and Time of the next meeting.</u></b> <b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November The Spencer Suite , 9.30am</b></p>	

