

Meeting : Projects & Finance Committee.

Date : 15.7.19 **Time:** 9.30am

Location: Congleton Town Hall, Spencer Suite

In attendance: S.Foster (Chair) M.Smith ,J.MacArthur, , G.Williams, R.Edwards, P.Aston

Guest

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1.	Welcome and Introduction. Meeting chaired by S.Foster.	Apologies:- V.Cutcliffe,J.Money,S.Munro D.McGifford.
2.	<u>Matter Arising from the last meeting (13.5.19)</u> Accepted as a true record of the meeting. J Money to discuss with D.Daniel regarding his position on The Partnership Executive and report back to Mike All other action points will be picked up as we work through the projects.	. J. Money talk to David Daniel.
3.	<u>Project updates</u> <i>Dementia Friendly Town.</i> New target for Dementia Friends set at 1000, currently at 760. 34 organisations / businesses are involved. We have 18 businesses that we are currently working with to	

improve their physical environment.

PR stall at The Makers Market 25th May helped advertise the new Dementia Buddy Scheme and our Quarterly Activity Leaflet. D Ritherdon presented at the Annual Town Meeting 16th May. Summer leaflet now out includes information on Mountview and Congleton Library's range of books available around the subject of Dementia.

We have received donations from Tesco, CHS Year 8 and Heathview totalling £799.07 during the last quarter.

Susan Munro has resigned as chair her role with Elizabeth's Group is proving very time consuming to do both. Will advertise the position at the next DFC meeting 17th July.

Destination Maps.

Jackie contacted both Northern Rail and Transport Solutions re large maps at the Railway Station and main bus shelters.

New manager for Congleton Station P.King, Jackie has been in contact with him.

JM will contact S.Benson again 17th July, has Sue has not got back to her since the last contact.

Form for town centre site has gone to Highways for approval, display board will be ordered from Nature Signs.

Jackie reported that the traders would like a map down at the market, this more than likely

J Mac to action.

be a wall mounted paper one.

Heritage Trail Project.

Nothing new to report. Agreed we would support the 2020 Heritage & Antique Fortnight.

Need to get Nino Mancini's view of what he is looking to do. J.Mac action

Keep the project on the agenda MS to meet with Ian Doughty (Museum) to discuss any plans for this the Museum may have.

Youth Forum - PB Project.

GW / J Mac took young people from Bromley farm Y C around a tour of the larger play areas to get photos for the new Play Area leaflet. The young people enjoyed the activity and the opportunity for new places to explore. Should look to advertise these areas on Chats Back ?

Positive Youth Forum meeting held at Graham Construction during June, good links made with some of our members particularly the secondary schools.

Next Youth Forum Meeting is 8th October.

Congleton Sports Trust.

No updates available.

Cycling TOB Legacy.

No updates available. SAS now in a chairing role within the walking and cycling structure at CEBC, hopefully this will help deliver some of our sustainable transport plans.

Walking Map Project.

J.Mac

MS

JM/MS

5 Towns Partnership Project similar to the cycling map project link the 5 old Congleton Borough Towns by a safe and interesting walking route. Sub group of ramblers and partnership chairs.

£10k received from the New Homes Bonus Scheme and the project is progressing nicely. Maps could be out by late summer, and PR /activity to launch them will be planned.

The map is in the process of being printed, mock up passed around the meeting as an example. Work to be done on siting the decals which will involve discussions with Genni Butler (CEBC Rights of Way) and ramblers.

Health and Wellbeing Fayre 1.10.19

We now have close on 50 exhibitors across a very wide range of offerings. Leaflets and posters are printed but PR will not start until late August at earliest. Funding support received from The Town Trust (£300) application in with The Enclosure Trust for the same.

The event is a free event with light refreshment provided, freebies and information for the whole mix of our residents. Next subgroup meeting is 13th August.

Connected Communities Centres.

We now have a new Cheshire East Officer responsible for Congleton & Holmes Chapel (Muktadir Khan) who has already made himself known to all of the key players. He has called a meeting of the Congleton Group for 24th July at The Old Saw Mill to discuss his plans and support.

Glen reported that the launch of Bromley Farm Connected Communities Centre is Wed 31st July 12noon to 3pm, with the official opening at 1pm.

Play Area/ Play Day Event.

J.Money is organising a play day in the town centre Tuesday 6th August, 10am to 2pm, volunteers will be made welcome. M.Gleave to assist as last year.

Request for supporting this will be discussed later. Support should come in from Cheshire East Partnership team. Volunteers on the day will be welcome.

New Play Area leaflet should be available on the day, if not we still have copies of the old one to use.

Once new one is printed we should look to put it out on social media (Chat's Back)

MS/JMac to meet with Petra to finalise design a.s.a.p

MS / JMac

MMW Fund.

MS has asked J.Doe to contact CCF to see if they have any idea what will be available to us this year.

Will advise once information is in.

MS advise.

Town Centre Rejuvenation.

It was felt that we should wait for the conclusion/adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan and its "action plan" before setting up a subgroup to work on the project(s) arising from it.

Could well be looking at autumn time completion date.

Nothing new to report.

Cenotaph.

The funding for the build is now in place, although we still need to continue the funding drive to cover the fees (approx. £15k –although some has already been paid). We may need to go to The Partnership for an underwrite, we will know better in September when we have the next Executive Meeting what is actually required.

We are now starting out Public Appeal (£110 received in the first two days) and Businesses.

We have taken a column (fortnightly) in The Chronicle which will give us a PR push and a chance to keep the residents updated

Bob suggested we investigate the idea of using a direct debit scheme. J.Mac to discuss with J Potts.

Steve Foster to write a letter for The Chronicle to give the funding drive a further push.

MS to put together a letter to be sent to Businesses. D.McG to distribute using the contact list available to us as Chamber members.

A preferred developer has been selected (Midland Masonry) and a pre contract meeting is planned for Thurs 25th July.

Most of the materials are in place, carving of the plaques has begun (J.Carter to visit Stones of Weymouth this week to check /photo first plaque).

Build should begin/ site handover planned for w/c 29th July with completion planned for w/c 28th October at the latest.

Dedication service is being planned for Sunday 3rd November.

Mini Bus

Need to review current running costs / asses charges/ build in some surplus for unexpected expenditure and mini bus replenishment. MS to review running costs.

May be an increase in insurance cover following the accident.

MS to look for some Grant Funding to support the scheme.

J.Mac / J.Potts.

SF write letter for The Chronicle.

MS

MS look for grant funding.

	<p>750 Year Celebrations</p> <p>JM / JMac to have a discussion with Sue Dale re her ideas for celebrating Congleton's Charter 750th year in 2022. Still to be actioned.</p>	JMac / JMoney
4.	<p><u>Funding requests.</u></p> <p>Congleton Play Day – Community Projects. Request for £350 to support the event on Tuesday 6th August. Requested granted £350 awarded.</p> <p>Community Wellbeing Day- Fund have been sourced from local trusts but as this is a free event for exhibitors and residents MS asked for The Partnership to agree an underwrite of £400. Requested granted £400 agreed.</p>	MS advise J.Money
5.	<p><u>Project Update.</u></p> <p>Leisure Centre.</p> <p>Planning application in (18/6319c) and work is planned to begin late summer with around 18 month to complete. This will not affect Hankinson's Field and will offer both improved and increased range of activities. Latest reports indicate build starting in September.</p> <p>The Mills.</p> <p>No contact with Scarborough since the last meeting.</p>	
6.	<p><u>A.O.B</u></p> <p>Congleton Green. A joint meeting with town councillors is arranged for this week. Hopefully project will arise from this group and may need Partnership funding support in the near</p>	

	future. May also look to take a page in the next issue of Bear Necessities (Sept/Oct)	
7.	<u>Date and Time of the next meeting.</u> Monday 16th September 2019 The Spencer Suite , 9.30am.	