

Meeting : Congleton Sustainability Group.

Date : 1.3..21 **Time:** 10.00am **Location:-** Zoom Meeting.

In attendance: P Aston (Chair), M.Smith, M.Gartside, B.Fox, P.Hall , O.Whitmore, A.Linnet, A.Bolding, G.Williams, S.Foster, B.Speed, J.MacArthur, & Morgan Smith

Guest.

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1	<p><u>Welcome and Introduction.</u> Peter Aston chaired the meeting. Introductions made to our new member Morgan Smith EBA Head Boy.</p>	
2.	<p><u>Apologies.</u> P.Minshull, K.Wesley, P.Pinto and M.Axford.</p>	
3.	<p><u>Minutes of the last meeting (2.2.21) and matters arising</u></p> <p><i>Matters Arising from 2.2.21</i></p> <p>Item 3. Herbicides / Glyphosate. Working group Chair Andrew Melville to call a meeting shortly with the people who have declared an interest in the subject. This group has still to meet. <i>A.Melville has stood down PA/BS to seek new chair at next East Cheshire Climate Alliance meeting.</i></p> <p>Item 3. Sharon Trubshaw – Groundwork. Jackie Mac to look to do a feature on this in the of Bear Necessities. J Mac contact ST prior to the next edition. Will look to include in the spring edition. <i>Carry over to next edition</i></p> <p>Item 9. – East Cheshire Climate Alliance.- BS / PA to put together a paper around days of action/ COP 26 to discuss with F.Bruce MP.</p> <p>Item 10. Congleton Greenway. SAS asked for support by the way of a letter to Laura Crane and Tony Fox, Cheshire East. PA to write on behalf of CSG and GW to write on behalf of The Partnership. Copy Fiona Bruce MP in. <i>Carry over, need more information</i></p>	<p>BS/PA</p> <p>JMac</p> <p>PA / BS</p> <p>SAS / PA / GW</p>

	<p><i>from SAS for Peter and Glen to be able to write a reasonable support letter.</i></p> <p>All other issues included on today's agenda.</p>	
4.	<p>Approval of the Agenda. Taken as issued.</p>	
5.	<p><u>Congleton Green:</u></p> <p>Next meeting Fri 5th March, main item on the agenda is Air Quality. Looking to put together a spreadsheet with smart targets. Contact being made with Cheshire East regarding peat bogs/ carbon offset. E.Learning course /presentation still progressing. May look to get Morgan involved, trial runs with potential users.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Virtual CSG / making more noise.</u></p> <p>PA / MA & AL – Conclusion is to add a short talk into the E. Learning Presentation and using that as a way to get through to the public.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Public Events</u></p> <p>Barry felt that the COP26 event in Glasgow was an opportunity to raise public awareness around climate change issues. Highlight what we have achieved, hold a Green Fayre as close to the event as possible (Cop 26 – Glasgow – 1 to 12 Nov) , possible link in with other events happening around the town (Congleton park 150 years , Link Rd opening etc.). J.Mac to chase up the Link Rd idea.</p> <p>PA asked if BS could get hold of any banner from any of his contact. Morgan thinks that the Art Dept at EBA may be able to produce something locally.</p> <p>MS/PA to pursue the use of Jo Money's town banner sites through the summer and close to the green fayre.</p> <p>Lindo Moss, CWT to keep us informed of anything happening there that we could get involved with (A.Linnet)</p>	<p>J.Mac</p> <p>Morgan</p> <p>MS/PA</p> <p>AL</p>
8.	<p><u>Herbicide Group.</u></p>	

	New chair being sort see matter arising.	
9.	<u>East Cheshire Climate Alliance.</u> No report at this meeting.	
10.	<u>Website/facebook.</u> Some work has already been carried out, each subgroup now has separate content and reports, with a facebook extra link page added. Subgroup being put together to further develop the project. PA /PP / Debbie Coxon (CTC Comms officer) Morgan Smith and Cathy Dean(Website developer) <i>From AOB.</i> OW to email PA with her facebook ideas.	PA/PP/Morgan S/CD and DC OW to PA
11.	<u>Comms and Media Policy.</u> Generally felt this was much better, clarification around what is a Confidential Item to be explained as the responsibility of the person briefing out the subject to confirm that the information should stay in house. The new policy will go before The partnership Executive on 3.3.21 for adoption prior to ratification at the 2021 AGM.	
12.	<u>Congleton Greenway.</u> PH felt that CEBC / developers had little appetite to follow through on some of the planned improvements/ linkages. Need to see the plans for Giantswood Lane / Moss lane End could turn out to be a state of the art bridleway. PA / GW still to write to Laura Crane re SAS proposals.	PA / GW
11.	<u>Group Reports.</u> <i>The following reports were issued prior to the meeting:-</i> Active Travel Eco Schools	

	<p>Plastic. No report received</p> <p>Hydro Scheme Despite inclement weather progress is being made. The screw should be in position in 2 weeks, marking the end of the physical construction stage.</p> <p>Green Space Trust. PA reported that John Cockell is no longer a trustee. PA to get a new contact for the project.</p> <p>Commenting team. No report , but a very detailed letter to planning around the Giantswood Lane development.</p> <p>Green Living In Congleton. Team meeting with TMC on a fortnightly basis. Evaluating text then the visual design. Progressing well and should complete by the end of March Would like to get P.Aston more involved (video), also Ant Bolding to review the transport content. Look to put this out on social media. Cold do with another presenter to support BF.</p> <p>Active Travel (extra) P.Hall advised the group that Fiona Bruce MP is now Parliamentary Sustrans Champion.</p> <p>OSM. Peter reported that 100 xmas meals were provided for Xmas Day. Slow sales of Apple Juice etc. as markets are currently closed.</p> <p>Tree Report. With Covid restrictions effecting our use of volunteers at present, we have some good plans put together but cannot yet action them. We have some plans about to go out for feedback /consultation on facebook. AL reported that we have two landowners on board, with a few more possibilities if the quantities required for trees could be lowered.</p> <p>Balance Sheet. Issued prior to the meeting. Balance in the account £5110.54. No change from the last meeting.</p>	<p>PA</p> <p>PA / AB</p>
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	<p>Apple Juice/OSM.</p> <p>PA to discuss with AB possibility of delivery by cycle, need to get an apple picking team ready for this autumn, may look for support from EBA students Café should open around 17th May, currently delivering around 70+ meals weekly.</p>	<p>PA / AB / Morgan.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p><u>AOB.</u></p> <p>Congleton Recycling Centre.</p> <p>Closure of the tip was discussed and any action we could take. CTC will be discussing the situation this week, final decision to be made by CEBC on 15th march.</p> <p>The issue of recycling/ reuse was raised, Ben still passionate around the Repair Shop idea, Saturdays at OSM once Covid allows. PA / J.Mac and MG to search any examples of this around the country.</p> <p>Meeting timing. BS raised the issue around the timing of CSG meetings. Currently we hold one am and one pm bi-monthly to cover as many people as possible</p>	<p>PA / J.Mac/ MG</p>
	<p>Meeting ended 11.38am</p> <p>Next Meeting :- Tuesday 6th April, 6.00pm, via Zoom. <u>Details below</u></p> <p>Mike Smith is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting</p>	

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