

Virtual Congleton Green Working Group Meeting

NOTES OF MEETING

Date: Thursday 21st January 2021

Location: Via Zoom

Time: 5pm - 6pm

Present: Councillor Margaret Gartside (Chair), Councillor Suzy Firkin, Councillor Kay Wesley, Barry Speed, Jackie MacArthur.

Item	What was discussed / description	Actions	By whom	By when
1	Apologies	Cllr Sally Holland, Peter Aston Cllr Mark Rogan		
2	<p>Actions from meeting 10 September</p> <p>a) Bike Doctor</p> <p>b) Smart Targets</p>	<p>Arrange to come into the town in the New Year when more appropriate</p> <p>Agreed to change to a excel sheet and add progress column and target column and get updates from the various groups on actions. To be published on the Working Group web page</p>	<p>JMacA</p> <p>JMacA</p>	<p>When appropriate</p> <p>Feb 21</p>
3	Carbon Offsetting Options Peat Bogs	<p>Martin Varley from CWT to speak to group.</p> <p>CEC – Ralph Kemp suggested speaking to Karen Corbin and Brendan Flanagan about Carbon off-setting projects (need to be clear on ownership of projects) CEC is creating an application form, toolkit and crowd funding platform for across CEC.</p> <p>Check out what other Town Council are doing and process in place to look at budgeting for off-sets</p>	<p>MG/JMacA</p> <p>JMacA</p> <p>JMac/DMcG</p>	<p>End of March</p> <p>Feb 21</p> <p>April 21</p>

4	Carbon Footprint Baseline Report for 2019/20 - work being carried out to the same methodology as the 2018/19 report.	<p>Barry shared update for 2021.</p> <p>Agreed it would make sense for an officer to work alongside Barry so that staff can fully understand the methodology and help to plot the reduction of carbon footprint.</p> <p>Repeating the process in 2019/20 revealed some mistakes from 2018/19 which Barry will look to correct to ensure consistency.</p> <p>Noted that the carbon footprint increased in 2019 due to the purchase of the stone for the cenotaph, and other purchases.</p>	<p>BS</p> <p>JMacA</p>	March 2021
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6	Update on E-Learning Course	Team meeting with TMC on a fortnightly basis. Evaluating text then the visual design. Progressing well and should complete by the end of March	JMacA/ SF/KW/ MG	March 21
7	Update on Podcast Development	Peter Aston gave apologies	PA	Next mtg
8	Wider Community Involvement in Green Initiatives	<p>Plus Dane keen to link with the group both as a landlord and for community engagement with tenants.</p> <p>Care Homes with be added later, currently COVID dominating work.</p> <p>Ten top tips for local companies to reduce their Carbon/Environmental Footprint as part of the 'Build Back Better' movement.</p> <p>Residents – Sponsor a Tree in memory of a loved one – find out if this is this an option through the Tree initiatives</p> <p>Still looking at</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Mow May • Walk to School Week – 18th May • Green Fayre for World Environment Day – 5th June will not be a Fayre in the Town Hall – but may be possible to celebrate the day in another way. Possibly hold Green Fayre in October. • Clean Air Day 8th October – to make more of in 2021 	<p>JMacA</p> <p>JMacA</p> <p>PA</p> <p>MG</p>	<p>March 21</p> <p>When appropriate</p> <p>March 21</p> <p>Later in the year when planting</p>
9	Any Other Business	To check details of the CE Climate Alliance Group Noted that CECA is collating a Matrix of Councils' Climate Actions.	JMac	Feb 21
10	Date of Next Meeting	To be confirmed		