Chester World Development Forum

Minutes of Committee Meeting held Monday 30 April 2018 at Vicki's

1 Welcome: TG chaired the meeting Present: TG, SB, VJ, BP, JT and AM Apologies: GG and LC

2 Minutes and matters arising:

- Forum 13-3-18: No matters arising
- Committee 9-4-18: SB had reply from Ralph Dransfield, chap who does talks on Fairtrade on behalf of Traidcraft. He is willing to come but can't come on 8th May. SB has replied to him and said we'll be in touch again.

SB also been in touch with Sally Faulkner at CHS and bookings for Emmaus Centre now being contracted out to private company. Charge is £55 an hour. Committee agreed that this is too expensive for CWDF. SB will follow up with John Murray, head teacher. SB may also need to be in touch with Louise Orion, head of 6th Form

JT has spoken to Chris Matheson and he's not keen to chair meeting/discussion with CAAT lady. Maybe feels a conflict of interests. So JT thinks that, on that basis, Ann Feltham will not be keen to come as she has Parliamentary brief. JT will follow up – maybe another member of CAAT would agree to come.

Sustainability Forum – JT spoken to Helen Tandy, Chester Fof E and she is willing to talk at July meeting.

Also at meeting was update on Plastic free Chester Campaign – JT has forms which companies/schools/ businesses can sign up to reduce their use of plastic. Plastic straw- free Chester campaign has been very successful and well on their way to achieving their goals

JT also heard talk by food scientist re using a different plastic which made with poly lactic acid – breaks down a lot more easily.

Data protection issue - BP still puzzling it out. Discuss again at next meeting JT – spoken to HS re ideas for 22 June. Heather has a game based on the SDG's which she says is good. It requires people to sit down at tables, which is probably a good thing for a 2-hour informal do We can borrow CDEC's display boards and Heather has some SDG posters. We can also display some CWDF history. Heather suggested a 'graffiti wall' (Rachel volunteered to do the painting) for people to stick up post-it notes with, for instance, their own recollections of significant events with CWDF (Genoa, Edinburgh), or personal thoughts on meaningful achievements in development, Fairtrade, etc. Heather has the large book she made of Fairtrade events in Chester, and if I remember rightly has one or two empty ones which we could fill up with CWDF event pictures. LC: has spoken to Shantele and she is willing to speak at later date

3 Finance & administration issues, including:

- Current bank balance: JT will prepare the annual report for the AGM following (hopefully) the arrival of a bank statement. JT has collected couple of cheques from Turners new members
- Subscription appeal: No further progress reported
- Actions needed to comply with Data Protection requirements ongoing
- Updating/upgrading the CWDF brochure leave til after June 22nd event

4 Arrangements for future Forum meetings:

- 8th May Forum AGM, speaker Gill Miller
 - Draft Agenda attached, plus TG's draft Annual Report Question as to whether we send AGM reports out in advance. Decided that annual report to go out in advance
 BP will send email out on Friday with annual report and nomination forms. AM will do photocopying for surface mail on Friday 4th May Draft agenda agreed
 BP will work on draft report to include some photos
 - Who will Chair: BP agreed to chair in TG's absence
- 22nd June special 25th Anniversary event, Hoole Community Centre
 - Organising group needed!
 AM and SB will look at designing invitations. BP has invitation which could be adapted. BP to send it to AM and SB

 Invites to go to members, groups, past speakers. BP will circulate list of past speakers. Also invite Gyles Brandreth officially, although we know he cannot come), Chris Russell, Stephen Moseley.
 HS has quiz which we could offer. See note under "matters arising from previous minutes). VJ will liaise with HS
 RSVP to AM by 15th June.
 VJ will make cake and JT will find out if friend can ice it
 AM will call in to Hoole Community Centre and find contact details.
 GM has agreed to do short talk
 When numbers coming in meet with SB, VJ, AM and TG to finalise catering
- 10th July Forum Helen Tandy. Needs projector and screen

5 CWDF Diary – update of 24-4-18 attached:

- Any comments/additions: Refugee Week display by Amnesty in Cathedral
- Jubilee Debt day in September
- 14th May 10.30-12.30 in Nicholas House, Blackfriars Fairtrade Steering Group open meeting to discuss future of steering group. JT will email complete details to BP

6 Issues from around the table/ AOB.

JT and SB reported on Fairtrade Steering Group – both chair and treasurer have now resigned. There is to be an "Open meeting" to decide the future. HS will facilitate meeting to look at "SWOT". HS - MAY be willing to chair. Question as to whether just do local or borough-wide. Seems to be lack of cohesion in the borough Global Justice now - JT has received brochure which he's not had chance to read yet. Will update committee at a later date.

NB

Must discuss future speakers at next meeting – Traidcraft, And Albert, Anthony McCarthy – Classrooms in the Clouds in Nepal, Shantelle from CHAWREC

7 Arrangements for next mailing, surface and email: 4th May

8 Next Committee meeting: 11th June 7.30pm, Annie's