

Chester World Development Forum

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Every Tuesday at 7pm: “Tellus” – Eco-Communities Crowdcast

Chester FoE runs Eco Communities TV at 7pm on Tuesdays each week. They say: “If you have something you want to say, a community project you are involved in, or you want to talk about anything in the eco/ sustainable world you think people should know about, get in touch. You can follow our Eco Communities TV Channel on Crowdcast.”

For instructions on how to join, [click here](#).

Throughout July, CAFOD will run its latest campaign: “Fix the food system”. They say “Our food system is broken. It doesn’t work for the people who work the hardest growing our food, and it doesn’t work for the planet.”

For more details, visit www.cafod.org.uk/food

Tuesday 19 July: CWDF Forum meeting at The Unity Centre, 7pm.

CWDF members Linda & Stewart Shuttleworth will give us an update on their ongoing work in Uganda to improve mental health services in this large developing country. Please note the date of this meeting as it is not on the second Tuesday of the month but on the third.

Saturday 23 July: “Festival for the Future” at the Weaver Hall Museum and Lion Salt Works, Northwich

West Cheshire Museums is putting on special events and exhibitions as a celebration of sustainability. Full details are on their website: www.westcheshiremuseums.co.uk

Friday 29 July: Chester Friends of Palestine meeting at The Unity Centre, 7-9pm.

Chester Friends of Palestine is holding a special meeting. Ayed Abu Eqtaish from *Defence for Children International - Palestine* will be speaking about 'Defending Palestinian Children.' *Defence for Children International - Palestine* promotes and protects the human rights of Palestinian children. Ayed is the Accountability Program Director and has worked for the organisation for over 20 years so he has a great depth of knowledge and experience. Please come along and hear at first hand the challenges facing Palestinian families every day.

Saturday 30 July: Peace Vigil at The Cross, Chester, 12-1pm.

This will be the sixth of the Peace Vigils at The Cross held on the last Saturday of the month. The silent vigil will be held between 12 and 1 pm, and we will wear black, or dark, clothing if possible. The general theme will be Peace, with a decision to be taken in advance of each vigil as to what the focus will be for the next one, such as Ukraine, Myanmar, arms sales, etc.

Please contact Dai or Margaret Owen (dai.owen.art@gmail.com or tel 01244 679051), or contact Annie Bellinger (annie.bellinger@gmail.com or mobile 07821 192755), for more information.

It is possible that other peace vigils might be held at short notice if situations were to arise that we wanted to respond to quickly. Please let us know if you would like to be on a contact list in order to be advised if any were arranged.

Saturday 06 August: Hiroshima & Nagasaki Flower Memorial at The Bandstand in The Groves, Chester, 8pm.

Organised by Chester Peace Vigil, this annual event is to remember all those who died and suffered as a result of the atomic bombs dropped in 1945, in the firm belief that it must never happen again. All are welcome to come and meet at The Bandstand for readings, silent reflection, and the dropping of flowers into the water. Bring white flowers if you wish.

[more events information overleaf]

Tuesday 13 September: CWDF Forum meeting at The Unity Centre, 7pm.

Dr. Mark Bendall, Senior Lecturer in the University of Chester Department of Social and Political Science will talk about “Challenges in global politics: mis-use and mis-governance”.

Save the date: 24 September to 02 October 2022 is ‘Great Big Green Week’ in Chester.

Look out for details of events – we will be adding them as they are announced.

November: CWDF Forum meeting – date, time and venue to be confirmed.

We have provisionally booked Paul Tacon to give a talk, probably via Zoom, on aspects of the work of the Migration Team at the International Labour Organisation. This meeting will be in conjunction with the University of Chester Department of Social and Political Science.

November, during COP27: “Chester Climate Fest”.

The University, Storyhouse and the Cathedral are putting on various talks, workshops and special performances. There will be a Climate Youth Conference on Friday 11 November, and on Saturday 12th there will be another Cathedral exhibition event similar to the one held in 2021.

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CWDF maintains this diary on website www.chesterwdf.org.uk and circulates flyers.

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to get some extra publicity for your event.