

Chester World Development Forum

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Monday 9 January 2023 at Annie's



- 1 **Welcome:** TG chaired the meeting
Present: TG, JT, BP, GM and AM
Apologies: LC and KG
- 2 **Minutes and matters arising:**
 - Committee 5 December circulated 2 January 2023
 - JT has contacted HS twice and HS reports that still trying to get CWaC to produce a plan. It seems there's very little chance of getting speaker from overseas. There is to be a meeting soon to organise Fairtrade Fortnight
 - There doesn't appear to a post re tomorrow night's meeting on Facebook. JT has sent several things to KG
 - JT booked Unity Centre for 10th Jan
 - Re inviting Andrew Mitchell to speak at a meeting - GM not had chance to discuss with the University yet.
 - Rebecca Collins has agreed to talk at Unity Centre on March 14th
 - GM has contacted Gyles Brandreth. No reply as yet
 - Forum November 14 - Paul Tacon: No matters arising
- 3 **Finance update:**

As at 31st December, £1111.05 in our account. The petty cash tin currently has £18.79
- 4 **Website/Social Media update:**

Nothing to report
- 5 **Future CWDF and related events:**
 - January 10: Loss & Damage – talk by Gill
 - March 14: Rebecca Collins on “Current Trends and Challenges in the global fashion industry”
 - May 9 AGM: Steve Hughes from Sustainable Forum on initiatives in Chester
 - On hold for now - Gill Miller “The Therapeutic Landscape – Effect on Development”, exploring the impact the cost and availability of vaccines and medicines can have on countries the developing world”

Discussion as to whether Steve Hughes from Sustainable Forum would consider making his talk more “global”. JT seemed to think that this not likely – only local issues.

Also discussed at this point was the future of CWDF. It was decided to put this to the Forum meeting tomorrow evening and invite comments. GM suggested that the committee and indeed all members should make an effort to promote CWDF more. For example – giving flyers out at churches/libraries/Storyhouse??/ Cathedral/International school?

6 Arrangements for 30th Anniversary of CWDF - June 2023:

- Suggested date 24th June from 3 – 5
- Suggested venues
 - Hoole Community Centre – **JT to look into**
 - Village Hall, Upton – **AM to look into**
 - St Mary's without the Walls
 - St Columba's, Upton – **BP to look into**
- Speaker:
 - Someone from Cathedral
 - Mike Amesbury, MP for Vale Royal
 - Steven Maund
 - Romy Tiongco – date is flexible. **AM to contact**

Suggestion that we show clips of development/ campaigns/events we've attended.

Ask at Forum whether anyone knows of speakers

7 Diary update: Nothing to add

8 Arrangements for next email and surface mail circulations:

Diary out this week plus subs form,
Minutes of Forum meeting of 15th Nov to go out after next week

9 Arrangements for next Committee meeting – Monday 6 February 2023 at John's