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.

From 07 to 18 November, during COP27: "Chester Climate Fest".

Chester University, Storyhouse and Chester Cathedral will be putting on various talks, workshops and special performances:

Friday 11 November: Climate Youth Conference

Saturday 12 November: Chester Sustainability Forum exhibition in Chester Cathedral.

Look out for further details of these and other events.

Tuesday 15 November at 7:30pm: CWDF Forum meeting.

We have arranged for Paul Tacon to give a talk, via Zoom, on "Global migration: unpacking superficial narratives". This talk will explore some of the challenges and controversies concerning the impacts of global migration in recent years.

Paul is a specialist in the Migration Team based in the Geneva headquarters of the International Labour Organisation. This meeting will be in conjunction with the University of Chester Department of Social and Political Science, and will be held in the first floor lecture theatre of Best Building on the University of Chester Parkgate campus at 7:30pm. Please note the later than usual time of the meeting.

Saturday 19 November: Christmas Craft Fair in aid of Chifundo UK, 10am to 3pm at Hoole United Reformed Church, Hoole Road, Hoole, Chester CH2 3NT.

There will be a variety of Fairtrade products for sale, cards, jewellery, goods from Traidcraft, cakes, bags and fashions from Chifundo, a raffle, craft activities and a workshop on Christmas floral arrangements. Free admission and refreshments are available. For more information, contact Susan Flynn, tel 381490.

Wednesday 30 November: Panel discussion at Storyhouse at 7:30pm

Chester Greenpeace will be hosting a public event focused on the cost of living and climate crises. This will begin with the short film *The Cost of Living* made by Greenpeace and the New Economics Foundation. The film highlights the impact the cost of living crisis has had on communities in the Rother Valley. It contends that both the cost of living and climate crises can be solved by investing in renewable energy, insulating homes, and providing people with the skills and training needed to deliver this green energy revolution. There will then be a Panel conversation with our by-election MP candidates and other representatives from concerned local organisations, including *Chester Sustainability Forum* and *Friends of the Earth*.

The event is free to attend. There will be an Eventbrite page for booking, and details on social media.

[more events listed overleaf]

Friday 09 December: Folk Jazz Fusion with Tamer Sahouri (oud) & Faris Ishaq (flute) in St. Mary's Creative Space, 7-9pm

This musical event has been organised by *Chester Friends of Palestine* in association with PalMusic UK. Refreshments will be available.

For information about booking, please follow this <u>link</u> to Eventbrite.

January 2023: CWDF Forum meeting

We had planned to have our annual session with City of Chester MP Chris Matheson, but his resignation and the subsequent by-election coming on Thursday 01 December means we will have to have a rethink. Watch for information in future versions of the CWDF Diary.

27 February – 12 March: Fairtrade Fortnight 2023

Look out for further details of events.

Tuesday 14 March 2023: CWDF Forum meeting.

Gill Miller has offered to give us a talk on "The Therapeutic Landscape – Effect on Development", exploring the impact the cost and availability of vaccines and medicines can have on countries the developing world. Topical example: the country with the most deaths from monkeypox is DRC, which has zero supplies of vaccine, while the USA has reportedly purchased the entire available stockpile [August 2022].

Tuesday 09 May: CWDF AGM.