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.

Wednesday 30 November: online talk by William Bell at 7pm

Organised by Christian Aid, Liverpool Cathedral, Together Liverpool, and United by Hope, William Bell, head of Christian Aid's Middle East region, will give an online talk on the subject of "Israelis and Palestinians: Hope, Justice and Equality". Book through Eventbrite to gain access to the Zoom link; search on "williambell".

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.

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. Admission is £13, and a few tickets will be available at the door.

Tuesday 10 January 2023: CWDF Forum meeting, 7pm at the Unity Centre.

Originally, we had planned to have our annual session with our City of Chester MP, but by next month we will have a new MP who is going to be very busy indeed getting to grips with their new responsibilities. So, stepping into the breach, Gill Miller has volunteered to give a talk highlighting key issues arising from the COP27 meetings in Egypt. Provisionally, the title will be "Loss and damage: understanding the dilemmas and decisions from COP27".

Wednesday 25 January: from 4:30 to 5:30pm at the Best Building, University of Chester Parkgate Campus.

Dr. Rich Waller, Senior Lecturer in Physical Geography at the University of Keele, will give a talk on "Contemporary Energy Crises and Sustainable Energy Futures".

All are welcome, and admission is free.

[more events are listed overleaf]

27 February - 12 March: Fairtrade Fortnight 2023

Look out for further details of events.

Tuesday 14 March: 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.