

Chester World Development Forum

Minutes of Committee meeting held on Monday 6 February 2023



- 1 Welcome:** TG chaired the meeting
Present: TG, JT, LC, GM and AM
Apologies: BP

2 Minutes and matters arising:

- Committee: 9 January circulated 2 January 2023
 - Red entries covered later in agenda
- Forum January 10: Loss and Damage: GM presentation has gone out by email and is also on the website. **GM will edit it into a word document so AM can send it out to surface mail members**

3 Finance update:

- JT received our bank statement from 30 January. £239.05 in our account as of 30/01/23. JT paid in cheques totalling £106 at the Post Office on 26/01 which should be processed shortly, plus he has another £36 in cheques waiting to be paid in this week, plus £16.79 in petty cash.
- This all adds up to an effective total of £397.84.
- He reported that subs are coming in well this year and has updated the list and, sent it round by email

4 Website/Social Media update:

BP continuing to put things on website. Facebook page – nothing new been added

5 Future CWDF meetings events:

- 14 March: Dr Rebecca Collins on “Current Trends and Challenges in the Global Fashion Industry”. AM informed the meeting that “Transform Trade” (formerly “Traidcraft Exchange” is running a big campaign on “Transforming the fashion industry”. This industry produces 10% of the world’s greenhouse gas emissions, more than maritime shipping and aviation combined. **AM will order some copies of the Trade Matters Magazine which contains more details in time for the meeting.**
- 9 May: CWDF AGM - Steve Hughes, Chair of Sustainability Forum will give an overview of the initiatives, campaigns and events currently happening or being developed by members of CSF
- GM had received email from Andrew Needham re a suggested topic for Forum Meeting. JT responded and Andrew seems to have accepted JT’s response.

6 Future of CWDF?

What are our objectives? **AM will look back at original flyers.** Steve Hughes’ talk could give us some ideas for a way forward

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

- **Re venue:** St Columba's would be £17.50 an hour. Upton Village Hall would cost in region of £70. Hoole Community Centre would cost £50 – not much in their diary at present. St Columba's seems favoured venue but is not available on 24th June. It may be that we change the date which is dependent to some extent on the availability of the suggested speakers. We would then revisit the possibility of St Columba's. In the meantime, JT has provisionally booked Hoole Community Centre for 24th June
- **Re speaker:** AM had contacted Linda Tiongco but Romy still away in Philippines. **AM will contact her again to see if Romy available at any time in the year.** (Subsequently AM found out that Romy will not be back this year in UK). May be prepared to do a video though.
- Alastair Roxburgh: **GM will contact him to possibly do video link**
- Gyles Brandreth: **GM will contact Gyles again to suggest video**
- Chris Russell – **AM to contact**
- Stephen Maund – **LC will get in touch**
- Suggestion – we could have an ensemble of messages from former members – collect on WhatsApp and display on screen
- **Could BP do a collage similar to our 25th Year celebration?**

8 Arrangements for next email and surface mail circulations:

- To go out - PowerPoint from Forum meeting on 10.1.23 plus diary and reminder about meeting 14th March. Surface mail - **AM to do photocopying next week**

9 AOB:

- Fairtrade Fortnight - JT reported that seems fair bit of interest when consider support for Fairtrade market stall. HS has support from Waitrose. Suggestion as to whether CWDF could join forces in some form or other with them. JT thought this might be difficult

10 Arrangements for next Committee meeting

- **Monday 6 March 2023 7.30pm at Annie's**