

Meeting Notes: Malmesbury CAN Committee

1st June 2020 - Virtual

Present

Gavin, Katie, Sam, Laura, Martin, Fran, Ana, Fred and Chess

Apologies: Fiona and Campbell

Work Stream Update

1. **Transport – Chess**
 - Transport meeting scheduled for Friday 5th June
2. **Resource Sharing - Sam**
 - Gavin notified the team of Resource Sharing in action – two schemes to collect unused tech equipment and bikes that are being cleaned up and distributed to families in need within our community via Heals. Further information has gone on our website.
 - Re. the working group, there is a lot of background research occurring and a new meeting will be called within the next few weeks
3. **Community Energy – Martin**
 - Martin meeting virtually with Lesley Bennet to have initial conversation and to schedule meeting with the whole of the work stream in the next few weeks following their call

Climate Conversations

1. Gavin to confirm Professor Waltham for 15th June. All to share the flyer with their networks.
2. **Action:** Chess to distribute contact list of speakers who were unable to join us in January back to the group. Anyone who had first contact with those on the list to get back in touch to ask whether they would want to do a virtual talk. Ideal distribution would be Monday pm slot every second week following on from 15th June.

Website/Social Media Updates

1. Laura showed the group the website for first comments.
2. Website is being continually updated by Laura and Chess, but will try and find individuals within the working groups to take on the role of updating their own sections.
3. In the interim, anyone who has resources that they think would be good for the website is welcome to forward them on to either Chess or Laura.
 - a. **Action:** Sam to send website info on Resource Sharing group though to Laura/Chess to be uploaded.
4. We now also have an Instagram account to reach a younger audience, being run by volunteers Ana and Ruby. **Action:** Laura and Chess to integrate the Instagram account into our website. Instagram account is @MalmesburyCAN

AOB

1. Laura raised the issue of the planning application for 71 houses which ignores the Malmesbury Neighbourhood Plan. Gavin gave a comprehensive summary of why this was the case and attributed it to a change in law which meant that Wiltshire Council had not updated their 5 year housing supply value, which the developers took advantage of. Gavin will be asking the Secretary of State Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government Robert Jenrick MP to call in the decision.

Date of Next Meeting: 22nd June at 7.30pm