

# Meeting Notes: Malmesbury CAN! (Climate Action Network)

6<sup>th</sup> July 2020

## Apologies

Fran, Ana and Fred

## Transport Group Update

Gavin reported the updates of the group to the Area Board who suggested that a more formal "CATG" meeting needed to be held, but this wouldn't be before September. Wiltshire Council had also received over 400 applications for their allocated cycle/pedestrian funding.

**Action: Martin to forward Chess the email of the contact at Wiltshire Council to submit application**

## Resource Sharing

Sam shared the news that the group had received some funding from the Warden and Freeman to allow them to purchase a guide to setting up a repair café. Gavin and Campbell to explore possibility that the Old School Room as location for the café as it can be treated as separate to the Town Hall as it can be locked separately.

**Action: Chess to contact MVCAP to ask whether they can act as fund holders for MCAN**

**Action: Gavin and Campbell to consider how The Old School Room could be used**

## Community Energy

Martin explained that he had had productive conversations with Nick Murray and Lesley Bennet and was now aware of various schemes and organisations that "Malmesbury" (as an area) could be involved with that Chippenham had been investigating e.g. Schools Energy Trust, Community Energy England. Likely focus would be to link up with what was happening already in Chippenham to develop a North Wiltshire alliance. Laura suggested it might be worth looking into Places For People (who run the leisure centre) as a location for solar panels as they have green policies.

**Action: Laura to provide Martin with email address of her friend who is a local expert in community energy**

## Speakers and Events

Martin made us aware that Sherston were looking into holding a screening of the film 2040 but suggested that Malmesbury could organise instead. Suggestion that this could be held through Movies @ Malmesbury and that it would be better to charge a token sum for tickets to ensure individuals were invested. If we needed support to reach Westbury Community Fridge, Sam can help us chase via his Dad.

**Action: Chess to reach out to those on the list developed for January to ask if they would do a virtual talk. Chess also to apply to the Town Council for a community grant.**

**Action: Campbell and Gavin to take to Full Council meeting on 21.07.20**

## AOB

Town in need of Bike Racks. Sam suggested a local carpenter who is community focused who might be able to construct some temporary racks.

**Action: Chess to provide details of Sam's contact plus local young blacksmith who might be able to help.**

Laura recommended the Emergence Fund for anyone looking at funding possibilities. Fruitful Malmesbury project had applied to them for funding opportunities in the past.

Katie proposed that Education and Lobbying should be separated out. The group agreed it would come back under the wing of the central committee. On this theme, Laura proposed that it would be a good time to write to our MP James Grey.

**Action: Laura to draft.**

**Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 3rd August 2020 at 7pm.