



Torbay Climate Partnership

Minutes 8 June 2023

10:30 – 12:30 pm

Whitley Room, Paignton Zoo/Teams

Item	Action Lead
<p>1.Welcome The Chair welcomed everyone to today's meeting.</p> <p>As a result of the recent local elections the Chair thanked Councillors Foster, Atiya-Alla, Morey and Douglas-Dunbar for their services to this Partnership over the past 2 years and welcome Councillors Billings, Twelves and Law to the Partnership.</p> <p>Attendees: Dennis Flynn (DF) – Chair; Jacqui Warren (JW); Chris Gomm (CG); Doug Eltham (DE), Cllr Twelves (CT), Tara Bowers (TB); Matthew Green (MG); Cllr Billings (CB); Chris Gunson (CGu); Joanne Brimblecombe (JB); Davina Luther (DL); Simon Pinder (SP)</p> <p>Apologies Cllr Law; D Rose; Dave Stewart; David Edmondson; Emily Reed; Emma Magee; Liam Montgomery; Roger Stoker; Tom Dauben.</p> <p>Presenters: Jess Penny and Sarah Ward (Arsinoe project)</p> <p>Observer: Amy Denton (Placement Devon County Council)</p>	
<p>2.Previous Minutes</p> <p>Item 3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DF updated all that Carolyn Custerson from English Riviera BID Company Ltd has withdrawn actions from the current Torbay Climate Emergency Action Plan (TCEAP), and all associations to it, until she has undertaken much more consultation with the 1300 businesses she represents. JW has offered to support any working group when established. DF acknowledged this was disappointing, but that the TCP can work with a range of other business related partners to ensure we engage businesses in all we do. <p>Item 4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DF updated all that JW, DE and DF met to discuss amending the TCEAP. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DF asked that the new iteration of the TCEAP be a reflection on what we can do, shows the direction of travel all the way up to 2030 and is presented in a digestible format. • Proposed three elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Working framework 2- Executive Summary - key messages only 3- Simple info graphics, distilled down into key messages. • DF suggested that it is possible that the new administration for Torbay Council may wish to review the current TCEAP. JW to update TCP on this. <p>The minutes were approved.</p>	JW
<p>3.Torbay Climate Emergency Action Plan Update</p> <p>JW provided an update on where we are with the TCEAP.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New safety concerns with attending events • Need to engage more of Torbay • Revise ways we engage i.e. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobilise TCP partners to put on event & promote consultation • Easy to use survey • TC and TCP members attend in person meetings across Torbay's network of stakeholders (with security if public attend/promoted in advance) to galvanise support of TCEAP and to fill in surveys in-person at meetings • Social media but focussing on social norms (real people doing real things) and benefits • Materials promoting the consultation sent out across TC and TCP networks • Rebranded messaging and engagement company/similar to provide additional capacity to deliver clear messages that resonate with the public and get response rates up <p>The following partners committed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CG offered that Spark would support the next consultation • MG via South Devon College will support getting out to 16 – 25yr olds, especially through Tik Tock. We will need a 15 second message. • JB offered support through her events, network, green champions and staff stories • JP offered support through ARINSOE projects social media and Instagram • CG to circulate the comms plans once finalised • DF to reach out to the University of London • CB suggested the new plans need to be deliverable and with short targets that are achievable • DE suggested trying paid for Ads on social media like Facebook 	CGu MG JB JP CG CG

<p>Item 4 Engagement Planning Group Activity</p> <p>Partners were asked develop activities they can deliver themselves, or together with others to help promote the next consultation.</p> <p>Partners committed to carry out the actions in table 1 below.</p> <p>CG to send out plans once finalised and to work with Geopark comms resource.</p>	<p>All partners to carry out actions identified</p> <p>CG</p>
<p>Item 5 ARSINOE</p> <p>SW presented on the ARINSOE project and forthcoming innovation funding for Torbay.</p> <p>ARSINOE is about enhancing the resilience to climate change hazards and their Impacts.</p> <p>A Torbay Living Lab will evaluate the health, infrastructure, and biodiversity effects of climate change with a focus on flooding in Torbay. A vision, solutions and innovations are being co-created with a group. Funding will be available to implement innovative solutions in Torbay this Autumn.</p> <p>TCP were asked to reflect on the project and how they would like to get involved and to share the funding opportunity across their networks.</p>	<p>All</p>
<p>6. Roundtable updates</p> <p>Due to time, MG to present at the next meeting</p> <p>JB - Torbay Hospital going for a national wildlife biodiversity benchmark.</p> <p>DL – Groundwork have completed their natural flood defence scheme at Westerland. Volunteers in place across the catchment from Westerland to Goodrington.</p> <p>DL – new UK Shared Prosperity Funding to re-establish access and culvert works at Watcombe Woods</p>	

Table 1. Partner contributions

Who	Activity	Timescales	Outcome	Resources in place
Wild Planet Trust (WPT)	School visits to include climate change	End of Year	Influence young people	Y
South Devon and Torbay NHS Trust (JB)	Green champions + charter,		Influence staff - 7000	Y

	subgroups travel and medicine etc, 7000 staff, individual pledges			
Torbay Harbour Authority (SP)	Website, beach signage events on Torbay Council land – Electric Bay		Influence users of beaches and harbour	Y
South Devon College	Freshers' week, 10 year strategy event, link to e.g. ocean day Video presentation, location Geopark		Influence learners and staff	
Groundwork	Go for bids based on local need/strategy. Identify gaps which need funding	Meeting after next identify		
Local Spark	Social enterprise – incorporate this 2 year project roll out to our 60 member organisations, People's Parkfield CIC – funding to make building eco friendly		Exemplar	
Devon CC (DE)	Use channels, stand at county show, Scout Group			
Exeter Uni				
Exeter Community Energy	Link up on health and energy champions Green Open Day			
West County Rivers Trust	SMI events, reach 1000. Pledge actions			

	<p>on resource/water etc awareness of Sustainable drainage. Support innovators funding via ARSINOE</p>			
Cllr Billings	<p>Events – make more sustainable offset.</p>			
Cllr Twelves	<p>Use the Community Partnership and share on their channels.</p>			

*Need to ask each org their reach/audience