Voluntary sector climate change planning meeting

21 September 2022, 10.10am-11.45am

Notes

Attendees

- Adam Kennerly, DTA Wales
- Katy Stevenson, Groundwork Wales
- Gemma Lelliot, CTA Wales
- Fadhilah Gubari, Oxfam Cymru
- Rebecca Brough, Ramblers Cymru
- Sam Ward, WCIA
- Michelle Rowson-Woods, Coalfields Regeneration Trust
- Stephen Tiley, GAVO
- Katie Padfield, Fareshare Cymru
- Gethin Rhys, Cytun
- Barbara Davies Quy, Size of Wales
- Matt Williams, WSA

Previous minutes

- Anna to send community transport report to officials
- Fiona Harris to chase date for next Ministerial Meeting, including which Minister we'll meet with, and official Welsh Government minutes from previous Ministerial Meeting
- Dave to chase Welsh Government re dates for Minister to visit projects

Planning for future Ministerial Meeting

WG Net Zero Engagement

Adam noted that we can offer a communication platform and route to communities to Welsh Government, but to do this to the full extent would require investment.

Sam is looking at working with Welsh Government on the behaviour change strategy (a consultation on this is coming) and engaging with young people. Katy is working with them on Greener Choices and Just Transition.

Group discussed fracking licences issued by UK Government, and need for clarification from Welsh Government as to its position on this.

Group discussed issues around coalmine expansion, housing retrofit, community energy, the rental sector being hard to reach, and home insulation. Adam volunteered to put some thoughts about community energy in Wales into a paper.

Discussion around Warm Hubs, and the need to capture learning from these. Matt noted the state of deterioration of many community-owned facilities amid increasing energy bills.

Group discussed progress made since COP26 last year, including debates around oil, fracking, deforestation and global responsibility.

Barbara noted challenges around cross-departmental working within Welsh Government in areas such as biodiversity, food and farming. There should be no gaps in implementation.

Group discussed transport poverty and the role the sector can play in car clubs.

Proposed agenda for Ministerial Meeting

- Cost of Living crisis and the impacts on climate change
- A year on from COP fossil fuels, cross-departmental working and tropical deforestation
- Community-led energy solutions (Adam's paper)

Actions

- Dave to chase Dave Williams to see if any further engagement has been made between himself and Welsh Government on Net Zero.
- Adam to draft paper on community energy. Matt and Gemma to share papers on community-owned facilities and energy vulnerability with Adam for paper.
- Dave to recirculate Excel table showing group's priorities.
- Group to input into Sam's document on Warm This Winter <u>here</u>.