

Key discussions and actions from PCLF meeting held on Tuesday 09th March 2021 at 17.00

Forum Attendees						Apologies
Alan Caldwell	AC	Dawn Fuge	DF	Nick Rowan	NR	Alyxs Dellaquaglia
Barbara Renton	BR	Gareth Ruddock	GR	Tricia Fox	TF	Councillor Murray Lyle
Brian Kemp	BK	Iain Hutchison	IH	Steve Stewart	SS	Thomas Kinney Nicol
Councillor Chris Ahern	CA	Jackie Brierton	JR	Paul Hainey	PH	Councillor Grant Laing
David Howe	DH	Mike Robinson	MR			

1.0 Welcome and apologies

MR welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed that apologies were received from Alyxs Dellaquaglia, Councillor Murray Lyle, Thomas Kinney Nicol, and Councillor Grant Laing.

2.0 Meeting minutes from 12/01/2021

No comments were raised and the meeting minutes from the meeting on 12th January 2021 were approved.

3.0 Doughnut cities conference – guest speaker Paul Hainey

MR introduced Paul Hainey to the forum, PH attended a Doughnut economic conference in November 2020 and PH will provide a summary of the pertinent points to the forum.

PH introduced himself and thanked MR for the opportunity to talk to the forum about the webinar he attended.

PH shared a PowerPoint presentation and talked the forum through a summary of the topics discussed at the conference and summarising the Doughnut economy principles as covered by Kate Raworth.

Questions raised by the forum members:

- How should we respond to the themes from the webinar?
PH view is that Cambridge is a similar size to Perth and are leading the way in phase 2, there could be a potential to buddy up with Cambridge, whilst learning from the mistakes which might have been made previously.
- Where does business and prosperity fit in?
PH advised that business and prosperity fits in with the ERG, green section in the middle of the doughnut model.
- If we don't align to doughnut model then we need to align to something else, do we bring structure and align to doughnut to make a conscious decision?
PH view is that a common model needs to be bought into by the forum and the council so that everyone is aligned to the same methodology.

SS commented that Stagecoach have a presence in Cambridge, and he would be happy to reach out to his Cambridge colleagues to start a dialogue about sharing learnings.

Action: SS to initiate conversation and identify whether a briefing session would be possible.

JB commented that Business Enterprise would need to be involved, potentially workshops on the concept and how to make it relevant to Perth and rural community.

BR commented that as far as she was aware this hadn't been actively explored within the Council but would be keen to explore conversations with Cambridge to understand their approach and lessons learnt.

AC advised that he is involved with two city strategies who are using the doughnut strategies. Where it is working successfully is where it is completely aligned to local authorities. Zero carbon working group are looking to have a meeting with the council and there is the potential to bring this into the meeting, first question will be how it is aligned to the council plans.

TF asked whether it is being adopted at a country level PH advised that New Zealand are looking at national approach, but that's the only country where he is aware of.

Forum agreed that a morning workshop to explore the potential would be a good place to start, key will be bringing it to life and using practical examples of where it has worked/is working eg Cambridge and others.

Action: AC to pick up with local authority to establish how a workshop could be organised, AC to pick this up as part of his Zero Carbon meeting and bring back to forum.

4.0 PLCF Working Group Priorities

- Developing our strategy & priorities
SS updated the forum, he had a useful session last week on what we mean by sustainability and the different elements including the 2040 eight challenges were reflected on. Ideas must be transformational but could be delivered quickly and collaboratively.
We don't operate in a vacuum some things we can influencers and some which we push out to Scottish or National Government or part of the Perth City Development Board.
- Shaping a growing city – update by NR
Working group met at the start of February for first time, started with the work programme which Alan produced, 6 items within the working group scope to look at, this was reduced to 4, working group currently reviewing these and due to meet up on Mon 15th March.
- Zero carbon Perth – update by AC
3 priority actions (Powering Perth, establish a Perthshire Climate Commission and Prepare a Net Zero Carbon Roadmap), AC delighted from the council response all very positive, next step are to set up following meeting.
- Connected City – transport and digital –update by DH
Working group has met 3 times, collection of diverse, experience in the group, most bring at least one axe to grind but good focus on the future. Decomposing the ambition and what it means from a transport and digital, team are working on the top priorities. DH to share with the group.
- Inclusion and Social Justice – update by GR
Working group core members identified but struggling to get everyone digitally together. GR has used the feedback from the sustainable city conference and the working group are individually reviewing the inclusion and social justice themes. The biggest challenge will be to pick the handful of priorities with mindful of not overlapping the other groups.
- Enterprise and Prosperity – update by IH
IH has spoken to handful of individuals and first meeting will take place in the next couple of weeks. IH asked the forum to share any business contacts who would be interested in the working group.
- Revitalising the City Centre – update by DF
Working group has had its first meeting on Friday past, easily sidetracked with small ideas instead of the big items. 4 main categories discussed with a clear vision and leadership, potential to pick one idea and use as a test case to see whether it would be successful. Important that we get feedback on the ideas and priorities with the other working groups, so we don't overlap. 15 mins city which came out of the conference as an idea and one which would work for Perth.

MR asked whether each working group had a PKC lead involved? Inclusion and Social Justice working group did not have a representative.

Action: Working Group Leads to confirm to MR if they don't have a representative aligned and MR to pick up with BR to secure PKC lead.

- PLCF Strategy and Communications.
TF confirmed to the group that draft communications strategy has been created with support from SS.
Action: TF to share the draft document with the group.
Action: TF/MR to catch up on how we want to use the mostsustainablecity site.

5.0 Update from PKC Climate Emergency Team meeting on 04/03 - Steve

SS confirmed that the meeting was held on the 04/03 with good representation from the working group leads / deputies. Two-way dialogue and discussion set of presentations available and Peter Marshall to share after council meeting has taken place. AC covered climate commission which is a huge opportunity. Acknowledgment that the awareness of what we are all doing needs to improve. Discussion took place on what the leadership forum vision is, key pledge that we would keep the PKC councillor representatives fully engaged throughout the working groups activities. Don't think we have a clear declaration on our intent and shared ambition from the council.

6.0 Youth Leadership forum update

Unfortunately, Alyxs and Thomas couldn't attend the forum, discussions have been ongoing about the role of the Youth Leadership forum. BK circulated a brief update prepared by AD. MR confirmed that discussions are ongoing on the role of the Youth Forum and the cross over with the full PLCF.

7.0 LAG & rural perspective

JR provided the forum with an update on the EU programme coming to an end, UK Government decision that funds won't be devolved, this means that we need to develop contracts.

Forum agreed to

LAG vehicle for future rural development has followed the SCIO route, if forum pursued down this route there is a potential for legal costs to be covered under LAG.

JR comments that they are seeing an upturn in rural house population, and new businesses moving into the rural communities.

Clear suggestion that we include offer to include the forum to receive and handle funding, all agreed that we should proceed, funding must have charitable benefits.

Decision agreed with proceed with SCIO registration. Objectives and articles will need to be carefully crafted and linked to the Strategy and Communication work that Tricia and Steve have been developing.

Action: TF/SS/AC/MR to meet to understand next steps in setting up SCIO registration.

8.0 COP26 Opportunities

MR advised that he wasn't sure whether its formally going ahead in Glasgow, probably will but not in the original format. Lou Kemp looking at building a creative response. Opportunity in the build-up instead of actual event.

9.0 General Updates

- Nature summit, Momentum / workshops to promote the team and the initiatives. Aspiration to be the Natural Capital for Scotland, focussing on the High Street / City.
- Photo competition: Public engagement post conference, Lorna Gill, professional photographer willing to help.
- Historic timeline: Action: Heritage Trust contact MR to pick up with DF to tie both conversations with Heritage Trust together.

AOB

- Climate solution qualification 300 full course / 60,000 short course
- MR has had over 30 meetings with people who are interested in what we are doing as a forum and a real sense of enthusiasm to get involved.
- Date of next meeting Tuesday 04th May 2021 @ 1700

Summary of meeting actions raised during the meeting

Ref	Activity	Date raised	Action / Updates	Action Owner	Target date
21-03-01	Doughnut City	09-Mar	Doughnut Cities - Cambridge SS to initiate conversation and identify whether a briefing session would be possible	Steve Stewart	30-Apr
21-03-02	Doughnut City	09-Mar	Doughnut Cities - Workshop AC to pick up with local authority to establish how a workshop could be organised, AC to pick this up as part of his Zero Carbon meeting and bring back to forum.	Alan Caldwell	30-Apr
21-03-03	Working Groups	09-Mar	Working Group - PKC Lead Working Group Leads to confirm to MR if they don't have a representative aligned and MR to pick up with BR to secure PKC lead.	Working Group Leads	19-Mar
21-03-04	Forum Strategy	09-Mar	Draft Strategy TF to share the draft document with the group	Tricia Fox	12-Mar
21-03-05	Comms	09-Mar	Communications / forum awareness TF/MR to catch up on how we want to use the mostsustainablecity site	Tricia Fox Mike Robinson	26-Mar
21-03-06	SCIO	09-Mar	SCIO registration TF/SS/AC/MR to meet to understand next steps in setting up SCIO registration.	Tricia Fox, Steve Stewart, Alan Caldwell, Mike Robinson	09-Apr