Meeting: Projects & Finance Committee.

Date: 29.1.18 **Time:** 9.30am

Location: Congleton Town Hall, Spencer Suite

In attendance: S.Foster (Chair) M.Smith ,D.McGifford , Bob Edwards ,J.MacArthur, J.Money, P.Aston, P.Bates

Guest

Item	Agenda Item / discussion	Action / comment
1.	Welcome and Introduction.	Apologies:- S.Akers Smith & G.Williams
	Meeting chaired by S.Foster. Steve congratulated all on their involvement /work on the Royal Visit 24.1.18	
2.	Matter Arising from the last meeting (13.11.17)	
	Item 5. Request to ring fence funds for Dementia Group & Heritage App. The Exectutive agreed to ring fence the following funds at their meeting 5.12.17:- £3000 Dementia Steering Group £10,000 Heritage Trail App	
	Item 6. J.Money to discuss Play Area event with M.Gleave. Jo has still to make contact with Mark Gleave, the event will be held in August	J.Money contact M Gleave.
	Item 6.Website development. Initial meeting held, still work to be done. Group chairs to edit their own front sheets.	Group chairs please edit their front page and send to MS
	Item 6. Congleton Events Group. D McGifford to pull together a small group to look at developing more activities in Congleton.	D.McG pull together a small working group.

	Item 6. Brook St Grassed Area. Still waiting ownership conformation, could be an area for an In Bloom Project. P.Bates to follow up.	P.Bates contact CEBC
3.	Project Update.	
	Cenotaph.	
	Planning permission granted with conditions. D.McGifford / M.Smith to follow up some funding ideas. J.Carter / M.Pickford to work om Tendering Paper MS contact various groups for support of the project.	DMcG/MS follow up funding ideas
	Public Realm Strategy.	
	Weekly bulletins regularly sent out. Need to do our own snagging operation. Pull together a small subgroup to include G.Williams. D McGifford to discuss with G.Williams. Report to be drawn up and sent to Councillors /Partnership.	D.McGifford contact G.Williams.
	Leisure Centre.	
	Quotes are all in and a contract is about to be awarded. Work should start later this year.	
	Link Road.	
	95% Land agreements obtained, could break ground late 2018, or Jan 2019.	
	The Mills.	
	Going through leasing process of carpark. Time limit imposed by CEBC to start of development.	
	No contact for us with Scarborough.	

4. 2016/17 Project Updates. Dementia Friendly Town. Developing nicely. Tgt set to achieve 250 new Dementia Friends this year, 7 sessions planned including all of the doctor's surgeries and whole of the WI. Work with companies being planned with a view to not only making them dementia aware but also making their shops and businesses more dementia friendly places to visit. Activity programme being built up, including a regular 2 weekly afternoon tea event at The Old Saw Mill. Mountview possible closure issue. SF at the request of The Dementia Steering Group has written to CEBC asking for a meeting with them to discuss the future of Adult Social Care within Congleton. Letter written on 18th December no reply received until today. The whole social care issue will be covered within the CEBC budget meeting on 22nd Feb, no feedback until after that date. Destination Maps. Still waiting for the funding promised by CEBC to cover maps in the pedestrian area, bus J.Mac write to Cllr bates station/shelters and Congleton Railway Station. J.Mac to write to Cllr Bates to request his support in for support. sorting out this issue. Resend a copy of the E.mail trail Heritage Trail Project. TMC are working with Rural Development to get funding to develop the App. CTC / Partnership will remain as a customer and have the option to develop a trail and hot spots. The Heritage App meeting minutes are still current.

Jo Money reminded the meeting of the planned Heritage Event in September, J.Mac looking at the

possibility of a Heritage Trail being developed for this event. May be better placed to discuss at the March meeting.

Mountbatten Way – Green Boulevard.(Phase 3)

Sites agreed with Cheshire East Highways Team.

7 x Planters and Trees = £2310

MS to confirm go ahead with R.Burgess, planted ready for next years In Bloom activity.

MS discuss Phase 2 planter support and washing off traffic film.

MS confirm go ahead with RB, also discuss Phs 2 planter support and traffic film.

Youth Forum - PB Project.

Project on Mental Health and Substance Misuse being worked on, we had £2500 from PB to deliver this.

Tasks allocated on this and being worked on.

Congleton Sports Trust.

An amount of frustration through lack of dialogue with CEBC. No feedback currently being given. D.McGifford to meet Cllr Wardlaw on 29.1.18 to discuss the situation.

D.McGifford to write a formal complaint (communications / lack of) to Cllr Bates (CEBC Communications Portfolio Holder)

Cycling TOB Legacy.

SAS/DMc have had discussions with Rural Development regarding funding. SAS is working up a

DMcG to write a formal complaint to Cllr Bates.

Cycling master Plan to include separate projects with costings this will include:-

1st Stage – Circumnavigation of Congleton

2nd Stage – 12 individual project. Suzie is working with Clare Visco (CEBC) to get costings.

No new update received in time for this meeting.

Walking Map Project.

5 Towns Partnership Project similar to the cycling map project link the 5 old Congleton Borough Towns by a safe and interesting walking route.

SF shared th proposed circular route with the group. The Ramblers are forming a small group to finalise route, permissions and signage required. They will report back mid April, the 5 towns will then take some ownership of the project. Each Parnership to initially put £500 into the kitty to kick the project off, Sandbach Partnership is to be the banker for the project.

Trim Trail / Path top of Town Wood.

A new project idea put forward by SAS. Accepted in principal, need to discuss with GW (FOCP) and then Ruth Morgan (CEBC Parks Dept)

Path at the top of the wood is scheduled for renovation along with the fencing by CEBC winter/ spring 2018

No new update on this idea at this meeting.

Senior Health & Wellbeing Fayre.

Planned for early October. Could become a joint venture with Mid Cheshire NHS Trust as they are planning a Fayre/Annual Meeting around that time. MS/S.Jacklin to discuss this idea with The Trust

Connected Communities Centres.

The Partnership is currently working with CEBC Connected Communities Team to set up 4 CC Centres in Congleton.

These are likely to be at The Old Saw Mill, Ruby's Fund, Parnell Sq Hub and Bromley Farm Community Centre. Small amount of funding will be provided to each site by CEBC to cover room hire so that service providers/organisations can deliver their programmes to meet local demand.

MS/SJ discuss with Mid Cheshire NHS Trust

5.	Funding requests	
	5 Towns Partnership – Walking map Project £500	£500 agreed P/O 791/1718
6.	A.O.B	
	Stoke on Trent walking link through Biddulph Way. Jackie advised the meeting that SAS was working with personnel from SOT with a view to creating a walking linkage from SOT to Congleton through Biddulph Valley Way	
	Bradshaw House Community use. PA advised the group that CEBC were seeking expressions of interest from community groups re leasing Bradshaw House. Viewings are planned for Friday 2 nd Feb.	
7.	Date and Time of the next meeting. Monday 19 th March 2018 The Spencer Suite , 9.30am	