Working in Partnership Copeland

Minutes of the 15th meeting of the Copeland Working Group.

Held at The Lighthouse Centre, Haverigg on 13th December 2021 Commencing at 3.00pm

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|  **PRESENT:** **Voting Members:**  |  |
| Mark Cullinan  | Independent Chair  |
| Cllr David Moore  | Copeland Borough Council, Councillor& Nuclear Portfolio Holder  |
| Cllr Andy Pratt  | Cumbria District Association of Local Councils (CALC), Chair  |
| David Faulkner  | Private Resident  |
| Kelly Anderson  | RWM Community Engagement Manager  |

# Other Working Group Members

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| Nick Gardham  | Independent Facilitator  |
| Barnaby Hudson  | RWM Siting Manger  |
| Gillian Thorne  **In Attendance**  | RWM Working Group Communications Lead  |
| Rob Ward  | Nuclear Sector Manager at Copeland Borough Council  |
| Pat Graham  | Chief Executive Officer at Copeland Borough Council  |
| Anne Broome  | RWM Copeland Community Coordinator  |
| Serife Gunal  | Traverse  |
| Chris Shaw  | Cumbria District Association of Local Councils, Copeland Liaison Officer  |
| Dawn Walker  | RWM Secretariat  |

# AGENDA 1: WECOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

* The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.
* There were no apologies received.

**AGENDA 2:** **IDENTIFY VOTING MEMBERS OF THE WORKING GROUP, ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST, MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING.**

* Recorded voting members from each organisation. Voting members were recorded
* Any changes to voting members to be notified.
* Kelly Anderson is now the voting member for RWM
* Assuming members attending the meeting hold the vote for themselves/their organisation unless they say/declare otherwise. No declarations.
* Confirmation of no required amendments to members declarations of interest.
* The previous meetings minutes were accepted with no changes.

# AGENDA 3: OUTSTANDING ACTIONS, REVIEW & UPDATE

 • No outstanding actions to review

Member update

Since the last Working Group there has been two meetings in South Copeland, Whicham Parish

Council on the 1st December and Millom Town Council on the 2nd of December. The purpose of these meetings was to discuss the formation of the Community Partnership and to discuss ways of working together moving forward.

Millom Town Council had already expressed an interest to join the Community Partnership, Whicham Parish Council were going to discuss whether to join after the meeting.

The Chair has had a meeting with the Chair of the Theddlethopre GDF Working Group and has a further meeting planned with him in the new year.

Along with RWM, the Chair gave a presentation at Prospect Union annual conference, as the Independent Chair of the Working Group which was well received. The Chair has been invited to attend the CCC Copeland Locality Committee to keep them informed of the progress of the partnership.

Q -Why was the first meeting of the Mid Copeland Community Partnership not public? A - The Partnership has not decided if their meetings will be public or not.

 Q – Is there a record of minutes for the last meeting?

A – The minutes have not been published yet, however there has been a meeting note, which was requested by the Community Partnership members so they could brief the organisations that they represent.

***Note: For information, not discussed in the meeting but the minutes are available on the Mid***

***Copeland Community Partnership website***

# AGENDA 5: COMMUNICATION UPDATE

A press release and the final working group newsletter will go out tomorrow to formally announce the creation of the South Copeland GDF Community Partnership. This will be supported by social media updates.

The South Copeland website will also go live tomorrow.

# AGENDA 6: AOB

Q– There are 2 reports which are outstanding from the evaluator and 1 from the facilitator, can you clarify when these reports will be available to working group members?

A– Due to the small number of people involved, it was impossible to make the independent facilitator report anonymous. Following discussions with RWM and the Chair it was decided not to publish. This was communicated to working group members.

– The Traverse evaluation reports will be completed and circulated once the Working Group has been closed.

Q– The report we have seen listing out the conclusions of the 3 working groups, was that report reflective of how the working group had reached its conclusions? A – Yes

Q – Although we now have 2 Community Partnerships in Copeland, RWM will still need to continue their wider engagement throughout the community. It shouldn’t be the responsibility of the

Community Engagement Managers to do that wider engagement

A – This will be taken this back to RWM for clarification

Q – What is the role of Community Partnerships when dealing with waste issues beyond their boundaries?

A – The Community Partnerships do not have a role. This will be taken this back to RWM for clarification

# AGENDA 7: SIGNING OF THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

The Community Partnership agreement was signed by the key signatories:

Mark Cullinan Independent Chair

David Moore Copeland Borough Council

Andy Pratt CALC

David Faulkner Private Resident (Transitional Community Partnership member for 3 months)

Ged McGrath Millom Town Council

Karen Wheeler RWM

The South Copeland Community Partnership has now been formed and the Copeland Working Group has now closed.

# AGENDA 8: CLOSE THE MEETING

The Chair thanked the working group for the last 12 months work, the community engagement work, and the tasks which needed to be completed by the Working Group, in order to form the Community Partnership. All associated documentation from the Working Group will now be closed and the group terminated.

The meeting was closed by the Independent Chair.