

FPH Special Interest Group: Sustainable Development SIG

Notes from Meeting on Wednesday 13th July

10am to 12 noon, by Teams

Attendees:

Anya Gopfert (AG) (Chair), Emily Loud (EL), Maria Van Hove (MVH), James Adamson (JA), Isobel Braithwaite (IB), Sari Kovats (SK), Geoffrey Barnes (GB), Stephen Morton (SM), Oliver Williams (OW), Helen Ross (HR), John Middleton (JM), Louisa Baxter (LB), Steve Watkins (SW), Ana Catarina Pinho-Gomez (APG), Claire Mulrenan (CM), Rachel Crossley (RC), Sue Atkinson (SA)

Apologies:

Anna Jones, Marcus Grant, Marc Davies, Kristin Bash, Laura Keast, Iona Lyell

	Agenda Items			
1	Notes of the meeting held 31 st May 2022 were adopted			
	Outstanding actions:			
	•	AG to catch up with AJ re resources		
	•	Review TOR by December 2022		
	•	AG to review COP report from RC		
	•	AG to liaise with KB regarding update on Food SIG at future meeting		
	•	SA to share TOR for Climate and Health Committee with AG, and AG to send out to		
		SIG members		
3	Matters arising not on the agenda/in the workplan			
	a)	NIHR research on local climate action. SK is working on developing research agenda		
		for NIHR re local Climate Change Action – Sari Kovats looking for input on research		
		needs. This work will include a document analysis, interviews and meetings. There		
		will be a meeting in Newcastle and in London that SD SIG members could attend. SA		
		also suggested that this work should cross link with the ICSs.		
	b)	ULEZ consultation. Kevin Fenton wants the FPH to submit a response to the ULEZ		
		call for evidence. A subgroup are working on this, and will circulate a draft to the		
		SIG core members for comment in the week commencing 18 th July. TFL have		
		reached out to transport SIG so SD SIG will support the transport SIG.		

Action points:

- ALL to review ULEZ consultation response when it is circulated
- SK to share dates for meetings re research into local climate action with AG/MvH for circulation

4 Current activities and work of the SIG

AG asked if attendees were aware of any work being done in the name of the SIG (outside of the workplan) or any specific ideas about work the SIG could / should be supporting.

IB introduced a non-proliferation treaty for fossil fuels that the Global Climate Health Alliance and Health Care without Harm are working on and the SIG should get involved with this campaign. Agreed that the SIG will

AP: IB will send a few notes to be circulated with the minutes so that SIG members are aware of the campaign and to encourage SIG members to sign up as individuals

SjW: The Partnership for Active Travel, Transport and Health would like medical organisations to make representations to Govt to abandon roadbuilding and transfer the money to active travel, railways and public transport. The Transport SIG will be asking the Faculty to support this and in particular to seek support from the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges. Sustainable Development SIG to support this request.

JM: ASPHER may be developed a train the trainer course on public health and climate change.

MvH & AG: Working on writing up a qualitative research study which has explored the role of local authority public health consultants in climate change. This work will be published soon, and will be shared with SD SIG members and can feed into other work that others are doing.

AG: There is a new working group working on the theory of change of advocacy on climate change for the FPH / SD SIG and Climate and Health Committee. This will inform advocacy work of the SIG moving forwards.

Action points:

- ALL to review the fossil fuel non proliferation treaty, and to sign up as individuals (https://fossilfueltreaty.org/)
- SjW to let the SD SIG now (AG/MvH) how we can support the campaign on limiting roadbuilding
- AG to add fossil fuels non proliferation treaty to next SIG meeting agenda
- JM to keep SIG up to date on the train the trainer course

5 Discussion and reflections on the SIG

New ideas for the SIG moving forwards were discussed. These are saved on the google document linked below.

New ideas for SD SIG working moving forwards - Google Docs

Action points:

- ALL SIG members to input any ideas they have about workplan ideas OR procedural / organisational issues to the google doc
- **CM** to lead a group on developing a briefing on the cost of living crisis with sustainability at its focus and case studies. Contact claire.mulrenan@lshtm.ac.uk if you want to be involved.

6 22nd September 2022 Climate and Health Conference

ACG: Deadline for abstract submission 31st July. More information will also be in the FPH Bulletin.

Action points:

• Please circulate this link to your networks and encourage abstract submission: <u>FPH</u> <u>Climate & Health conference (google.com)</u>

7 Possible 1 day SIG event in Autumn / Winter

AG proposed hosting a 1 day event for the SIG in person, likely in London. This would be a combination of team building and content.

All were in agreement that this would be a good idea.

Action points:

AG to scope the feasibility of this and any potential rooms / financial support.
Anyone interested in supporting the event, let AG know

8 Update on Theory of change for advocacy

There are working groups working on all aspects of the Faculty's Climate and Health Strategy, and these focus areas sometimes overlap with the SD SIGs work. One particularly relevant working group is the theory of change for advocacy working group, which SD SIG members are invited to join. This will inform thinking around the SD SIG and Faculty's work on both reactive and proactive advocacy.

Advocacy group streams:

- Scoping work (to include a bit of evidence review & review of existing practice, qualitative research / learning from past & others)
- Proactive advocacy work
- Reactive advocacy work (the mechanisms & support for this)
- Building skills for advocacy programme

Action points:

 Anyone interested in being involved, please email Anna Brook on anna.brook1@nhs.net

9 **Resources**

AJ unwell and unable to attend (resources lead). Update provided by EL – working on collecting case studies and reviewing the resources page on the website. The aim is to provide a repository of links to up to date information as information on the FPH website would be very difficult to keep up to date. Next meeting of the group will be August. Discussion around the overpopulation resource and the fact that this needs reviewing. New resources from Wales bought to attention of the group:

https://phw.nhs.wales/news/public-health-wales-launches-resources-for-sustainable-health/resources-for-sustainable-health-e-catalogue/

Action points:

- Resources working group to discuss the overpopulation resource
- ALL SIG members to look at the resources and provide comments and feedback to resources working group <u>a.jones@bsms.ac.uk</u>

10 | **AOB**

HR attended the FPH AGM and reports that Kevin Fenton sees Climate Change and Sustainability as a main priority for the work of the faculty. Kevin Fenton should be invited to one of the next SIG Meetings.

Action points:

AG to consider when to invite Kevin Fenton to a SIG meeting

11 | Future meetings:

Monday August 22nd 12-1pm

Wednesday September 13th 12-1pm

Calendar invites will follow and future meetings dates will be decided asap

ACTION LOG

Action	Owner	Deadline
AG to catch up with AJ re resources and AG to review COP report from RC	AG	Before next meeting (22/8)
SA to share TOR for Climate and Health Committee with AG, and AG to send out to SIG members	SA/AG	To send out with agenda for next meeting (15/8)
Review TOR by December 2022 – add to agenda when ready for review	AG	December 2022
AG to liaise with KB regarding update on Food SIG at future meeting	AG	Before next meeting (22/8)

ALL to review ULEZ consultation response when it is circulated	ALL	25 th July 2022
SK to share dates for meetings re research into local climate action with AG/MvH for circulation	SK	Before next meeting (22/8)
SjW to let the SD SIG now (AG/MvH) how we can support the campaign on limiting roadbuilding	SjW	Before next meeting (22/8)
ALL to review the fossil fuel non proliferation treaty, and to sign up as individuals (https://fossilfueltreaty.org/)	ALL	Before next meeting (22/8)
AG to add fossil fuels non proliferation treaty to next SIG meeting agenda	AG	Before next meeting (22/8)
JM to keep SIG up to date on the train the trainer course	John Middleton	Before next meeting (22/8)
AG to scope the feasibility of an inperson SIG event in Autumn and any potential rooms / financial support.	AG	Update at next meeting
Resources working group to discuss the overpopulation resource	Resources working group	Next resources working group meeting in August
ALL SIG members to look at the resources and provide comments and feedback to resources working group a.jones@bsms.ac.uk	ALL	Before next meeting (22/8)
AG to consider when to invite Kevin Fenton to a SIG meeting	AG	Before September meeting (13/9)