



Faculty of Public Health

of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom

Working to improve the public's health

FPH Special Interest Group: Sustainable Development SIG

Notes from Meeting on Monday 22nd August

12 noon - 1300, by Teams

Attendees:

Maria Van Hove

Anya Gopfert

Emily Loud

Jessica Baker

Paul Roderick - retired academic from Southampton, involved in the poverty SIG

David Rhodes - UKHSA

Anna Jones

Anna Brook

Izzy Braithwaite

Sari Kovats

Rachel Crossley

Cat Pino-Gomes

John Middleton

Iona Lyell

Alice Harpur - NHS Lothian

James Adamson

Charlotte Parbery-Clark

Apologies:

Abi Deivanyagam, Steve Morton, Emily Stevenson, Ruth Speare, Sue Atkinson, Elliot Clissold

Agenda Items	
1	<p>Notes of the meeting held July 2022 were adopted</p> <p>Outstanding actions were reviewed from action log</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ULEZ consultation response submitted• Sari Kovats will share research group invites when they are ready - still planning, not ready to share yet, meetings will be in October.• John Middleton – still to share information about a train the trainer course

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asked for support for an in person event in London – this will be a SIG focussed event. Two volunteers EL and JA. • Overpopulation resources - consensus to remove this as not appropriate, but might be included in another resource - further discussion required, will add this back to SIG discussion in future if needed. • SIG members to review resources on website - no feedback on this point so far
3	Matters arising not on the agenda/in the workplan
4	<p>Poverty SIG - Paul Roderick</p> <p>Considering setting up a poverty SIG, proposed to the Faculty, they agreed. Going out in bulletin in September, waiting to see how much interest there is. Longstanding issue. Idea rather than formal group at the moment. Initial meeting hopefully in autumn along with terms of reference. Aim is to understand poverty drivers and share what local groups /government is doing to mitigate and prevent, strategies and what is working. Moving rapidly. Aim to have an active group by the end of the year.</p> <p>Should connect the cost of living / fuel poverty briefing group with the poverty SIG group.</p> <p>John Middleton - expressed difficult context of energy crisis. Anya - action point should be to have a talk/forum on how to manage this complex issue. Action - someone needs to coordinate this session. Izzy agreed that this would be useful as a standalone session.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to link Paul up with Claire M. [complete] - Paul to share one line ask with Anya to share with wider group. [complete]
5	<p>Non proliferation fossil fuel treaty</p> <p>Izzy B - global initiative, going for some years. Not an actual treaty, but a push for one. Multiple streams</p> <p>Health letter, could be launched on clean air day 7 September. Can we get the FPH to sign? could local areas also sign on (London has done, can be done as a person or organisation) https://fossilfuel treaty.org/health-letter . This has already been circulated to climate and health committee and has been signed by FPH.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Individuals to sign on and SIG members to share
6	<p>Advocacy working group</p> <p>Anna Brook update - quick and dirty evidence review to begin with. Contact Anna if you have thoughts on search terms/remit.</p> <p>Input required - planning a series of reflective learning sessions, participatory action learning, people sharing their advocacy experiences to give people opportunity to learn. Will then distil successes/areas to learn from as a write up. This will inform approach to skills package.</p>

	<p>Ally mapping for different organisations to feed into proactive advocacy group. Proactive group - working on prioritising issues Reactive group - working on processes for how this work proceeds going forward.</p> <p>Action points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To discuss in detail at September meeting • If you want to get involved, ask Anna Anna.Brook1@nhs.net
7	<p>COP27</p> <p>Will be based in Egypt. Open discussion on how the FPH should engage/send representation to this one. SIG had observer status at the last SIG. This has now been transferred to the president of the FPH, but it can be delegated to the C&H committee and SIG. There is a discussion paper going around on this - proposal to source FPH international members who are geographically closer to Egypt with a strategy in place. Carbon cost of sending people to Egypt from UK needs to be considered.</p> <p>However, moot point as FPH does not have observer status places at COP27 this year as this has not been applied for. FPH officially should have applied for it but did not.</p> <p>UK climate and health alliance are attending – FPH could consider a strategy for engaging with COP27 via this partner. Also FPH to begin planning to applying for observer status for COP28 asap.</p>
8	<p>Nature premium campaign</p> <p>Anya has been approached. Campaign to get children to spend time in nature via schools. Looking for support to summarise evidence base on children’s mental health and nature. Also went to the children and young person’s SIG. Looking for volunteers to summarise evidence on children’s green space and health</p> <p>Action points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you want to support contact Anya. - Anya has contacted campaign for more information but no reply
9	<p>Climate change and Litigation Toolkit with FPH ethics committee</p> <p>Chair wanting to work with SIG members on a litigation toolkit for public health on climate change. Evidence review or summary of documents required. Other organisations involved include Greenpeace and Client Earth.</p> <p>Action points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If you want to support contact Anya.
10	<p>Climate and Health Conference – September 22nd</p> <p>Just waiting for speakers to confirm titles of their talks. 300+ people signed up to</p>

	attend. Global attendees. Booklet with abstracts will be circulated afterwards, potential to turn them into resources for SIG page.
7	<p>Possible 1 day SIG event in Autumn / Winter</p> <p>Offer a day to get together and get to know each other to support online working. Planning to have a venue in London, and early dinner / drinks. Wouldn't offer an online option, which will exclude some people. Could Friday be best day? Draft agenda and budget.</p> <p>Action - thoughts on plan so far, help required with planning the day.</p> <p>Overall consensus on the London base. Friday might be more expensive to travel? Thursday suggested.</p> <p>Agreement that no online option is fine. London justified as a convenience choice.</p> <p>UKHSA could fund it. Travel expenses could be covered theoretically. Training programme could also support study budgets. However, mechanisms need clarification.</p> <p>Action points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MvH and AG to submit bid for funding from UKHSA [complete awaiting outcome] • Anyone interested in supporting the event, let AG know [2 volunteers have come forwards – no more required at present]
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9	<p>Resources</p> <p>Did not meet due to COVID. Making some progress, however. Looking to re-promote resources from September conference - a link to the page could be flagged in the program. Anyone who wants to join is welcome - contact Anna Jones.</p> <p>https://www.fph.org.uk/policy-advocacy/special-interest-groups/special-interest-groups-list/sustainable-development-special-interest-group/resources-on-sustainable-development-and-climate-change/ contact a.jones@bsms.ac.uk if you have feedback / comments etc and I can take to the working group on this.</p> <p>Action points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 a.jones@bsms.ac.uk
10	<p>AOB</p> <p>Cat suggested people listen to this</p> <p>https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w13xtvb6/episodes/downloads</p>

	<p>Anyone interested in placements at Greener NHS – discuss with Maria van Hove (maria.van-hove@nhs.net)</p> <p>NIHR - healthy people, healthy planet call for research. Anna Brook working on a proposal and would welcome feedback - get in touch. Unsure of what the deadline is. [update 6th September, this bid is paused at the moment]</p>
11	<p>Future meetings:</p> <p>Tuesday 13th September 12-1pm</p> <p>Monday 17th October 12-1pm</p> <p>Calendar invites will follow and future meetings dates will be decided asap</p>

ACTION LOG

Action	Owner	Deadline	
AG to share COP report from RC with SIG members	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)	
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)	
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)	
AG/MvH to submit bid for funding for 1 day event	MvH	Before 30/8/22	