

# The Climate Partnership (TCP)

30 May 2023

Board Meeting via Teams

## Attendees:

- Executive Chair Barnaby Briggs
- Chris Joyce
- Simon Wilkes
- Donna Stimson
- Graham Owens

## Action points

1. Investment in solar scheme at Furze Platt through the Maid Energy CBS

The opportunity for The Climate Partnership to maximise its investment in the Furze Platt scheme was **agreed** on the basis of the income generation, promotion of renewables and decarbonisation. The Board requested more details about the share scheme, including TCP's ability to withdraw its investment.

**Action:** BB to get specific brief from project team for the Board Members. BB to look into legal and regulatory requirements Regular updates will be provided to the Board.

2. Loan to decarbonisation scheme

A loan to Braywick Heath Nurseries was **approved** - but details of other refurbishments and energy savings measures were requested. If ground source heat pumps are required, L&G have purchased a manufacturer.

**Action:** BB to follow up

3. Capacity-building at MaidEnergy

MaidEnergy requested a change to their arrangements with TCP to reallocate £10k from the initial £40 loan. While TCP partners are free to make their own decisions once TCP support is offered, this opportunity to comment was appreciated and approved. Capacity-building for a range of organisations across the Borough is an aim of TCP.

**Action:** Updates on the lessons learned from working in partnership and capacity building will be provided to the Board.

4. Cookham's Footprint

Cookham's Footprint requested some very specific support which was **approved**. Measurable outcomes, additionality and appropriate business planning will be an essential part of building community organisations' capacity.

**Action:** BB to follow up with Cookham's Footprint, and to build in further capacity-building in future

5. Maidenhead Festival

The proposal to support Maidenhead Festival and promote TCP was not supported. Further communications strategy work is required.

6. Leadership Summit 9/6 - Currently 50 acceptances to morning event and 40 to the afternoon event - and we anticipate that many morning attendees will stay for the afternoon.

**Action:** All to continue to promote event and forward invitations to interested stakeholders

7. Long-term - the themes of the Bioregional report were discussed, and will be re-examined in the light of the Launch event.

On other issues, BB will invite Stephen Evans to the next Board meeting, and will write to Cllr Davies inviting her to join the Board as the councillor with the climate lead.