PAC Meeting 10th May 2022

TCC Report

Many of the TCC activities were badly affected by Covid in the period since the last PAC meeting and, with the two staff Lead Organisers' employment coming to an end, there has been a period of staff re-structuring over this last winter which is now complete. The organisation's finances now appear reasonably secure and there are further funding applications in the pipeline.

Currently there are four staff members with a fifth, a communications and finance gathering organiser, being sought to join the team.

The TCC has now appointed two of our parishioners to its Board of Trustees, Christopher Graffius and Peter Burke.

Recent and on-going activities include:

Wrexham Town of Sanctuary – TCC contributed to the recent film telling the story of Wrexham becoming a Town of Sanctuary, working to make the community a place of welcome for those seeking safety.

Changing Places in North Wales – This refers to the provision of public-accessible disabled toilets which are large enough to accept a carer as well as a disabled person. There are only 9 of these in North East Wales and TCC have been campaigning widely, seeking commitments from appropriate bodies and creating a video to promote the issue.

Accountability Meetings with Electoral Candidates – TCC recently ran zoom meetings with six candidates in each of the three counties, focussing on their involvement in community issues.

Cost of Living – TCC are engaging with other charities which are addressing this issue, including the National Cost of Living Alliance, and are exploring several initiatives. They recently supported the Holiday Hunger event at Caia Park which was attended by Mark Drakeford.

Climate Change – TCC supports efforts to reduce Climate Change and have been lobbying public bodies to divert funding from fossil fuels. They are now are looking at further activities, such as a planned plastic count, to increase its publicity.

Diversity and Inclusion in Public Spaces – TCC have made a decision to look into this, but have not yet defined how they will address it.

Community Planning in Hawarden – TCC have organised a meeting with the PCSO to look into relationships between the police and the community which have been highlighted by recent local controversy over speed limits.