

Folkestone & Hythe District Sustainable Futures Forum from the Carbon Innovation Lab

16 February 2023

Background

An update of the Carbon Innovation Lab (CI – Lab) was presented to the Climate & Ecological Working Group on the 7th of September 2022

Engaged CI-Lab members continue to explore ways to drive local actions to reduce carbon emissions across our district

4 meetings held so far with a 5th meeting scheduled for the 23rd of February 2023

4 Emerging Projects from the CI-Lab

Projects/ Theme	Project 1	Project 2	Project 3	Project 4
Focus	Eco-Schools Pilot	Reducing costs and become greener	Focus on energy efficiency to reduce costs of living for privately owned homes	Focus on cycle and footpath improvements

What is it?

A series of public engagement events to produce TEDx-style talks and videos culminating in a main event in April/Spring 2023 being led by Liu Batchelor of LVB Creative



What is the TEDx Programme

- The TEDx is an international programme that is community driven and bias-free
- Created in the spirit of TED's overall mission to research and discover "ideas" worth spreading
- TEDx events are planned and coordinated independently, on a community-by-community basis, under a free license from TED

Project 1: Folkestone & Hythe TEDx Style event and talk videos

- Uncover existing and new projects/ideas/initiatives across Folkestone & Hythe
- Feature businesses, community groups & individuals from the Folkestone and Hythe district area
- Sharing sustainability projects, ideas and/or stories

Role of CI-Lab & SFF

Carbon Innovation Lab (CI-Lab)

- An informal voluntary forum to drive forward local actions to reduce carbon emissions in the district and deliver a District Wide Carbon Plan

Sustainable Futures Forum

The umbrella brand/name for projects/initiatives emerging from the CI-Lab as well as other projects/initiatives taking place across the district as we journey toward reducing carbon emissions across the district.

Sustainable Future Forum(SFF) –Engagement Programme

Item	Date & Time	Location
Online launch	26/12/2023	Virtual
Q&A session 1	11/01/2023 – 19:00	Virtual
Q&A session 2	12/01/2023 – 12:30	The Workstation Folkestone
Green Ideas Folkestone Collaboration with SFF	24/01/2023 – 18:00	Folkestone Quarterhouse
Speaker/Idea Development Workshop 1	25/01/2023 – 10:00	Hythe Business Hub
Speaker/Idea Development Workshop 1	01/02/2023 - 18:00	Romney Hythe & Dymchurch Railway
Speaker/Idea Development Workshop 2	04/02/2023 - 09:00	Virtual
Green Ideas Folkestone Collaboration with SFF	21/02/2023	TBC

SFF DATES TO NOTE

Date	Item
19/02/2023	Application to submit projects/ideas/initiative closes
February/March (TBC)	Speaker Selection Panel
April/Spring 2023 (TBC)	Main TEDx style event

Benefits of the TEDx style events and talk videos



Spotlights local ideas/projects/initiatives



Build confidence in promoting the ideas/projects/initiatives



Opportunity to gain feedback in refining ideas/projects/initiatives



Get signposted to local support



Possibility of funding to help take the ideas/projects/initiatives to the next level



Any Questions