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## FPH Sustainable Development Special Interest Group Workplan 2019 – update post July 2019 SIG mtg

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Is your SIG a parent for any sub-SIGs? If so, which sub-SIG do you provide formal oversight for?	SIG name	SIG chair
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Objective / activity	Lead	Please list any key milestones or deadlines	What impact do you expect these activities will have?	How will you measure the impact / success of these activities?	Update July 2019	Action
1. Review and update SIG terms of reference (last reviewed 2016).	Jeremy Wight	Review completed and signed off at April SIG meeting.	To ensure that the SIG has sound governance and its activities are relevant to wider FPH business.	No direct measure, but smooth running of SIG meetings should follow.	Completed	
2. Produce publications e.g. factsheets, booklets or webpages that explain the relationship between climate change and health and the role of Public Health practitioners in tackling climate change and the causes of climate change.  To include CPD questions	Jenny Griffiths	1 <sup>st</sup> tranche of 2 page factsheets + references + sources of further information + CPD questions (minimum of 10 out of 20 factsheets) to be completed by April SIG meeting, with FPH official sign off. This will include consultation with interested parties by authors and FPH official sign off.  2 <sup>nd</sup> tranche by October SIG meeting.  Annual updates thereafter	To support PH practitioners in making the case for the links between climate change and health.  Increased influence of climate change and environmental sustainability considerations in public health policies.  Resources available to support PH trainees and their educational supervisors in acquiring the relevant learning outcomes, especially 5.7  The outcome will help to inform those well-established Consultants in PH who are not fully aware of the importance of Sustainable Development and its relevance to Public Health.	By monitoring the use of the resources – number of downloads from the website, use in training sessions, feedback, comments received etc.  Informal monitoring of the prevalence of climate change and environmental considerations in policy and strategy documents, DPH annual reports, etc.  Feedback from PH trainees in 2020 (i.e. after 1 year)  Feedback from educational supervisors, Sustainability experts (Scotland) CPD advisors & Training the trainers sessions through surveys and evaluation.	Thanks and congratulations to Jenny and all contributors and to David Parkinson FPH for uploading the 1 <sup>st</sup> tranche of 11 resources that have been uploaded onto the <a href="#">FPH SD SIG web page</a> . This is a huge success. The second tranche to be uploaded by the end of September as and when they are completed: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy communities &amp; inequalities</li> <li>• Sustainable diets &amp; food systems – JG to liaise</li> <li>• Human movement</li> <li>• Fuel poverty &amp; affordable warmth</li> <li>• Sustainable commissioning &amp; procurement</li> <li>• Economic sustainability</li> <li>• Partnerships</li> <li>• Water</li> </ul> As a UK organisation we are keen to illustrate good practice in each of the 4 countries.	KL KB & AD  HR & PM IB  JW & HR  AB JB & HR PM

					<p>Wales specific information has been incorporated thanks to Catherine Floyd</p> <p>Scotland – to do some sense checking</p> <p>Northern Ireland – completed</p> <p>England – no specific issues</p> <p>The resources will be publicised through tweets from David Parkinson – FPH.</p> <p>Faculty newsletter – JG</p> <p>Sue will write a blog - SA</p> <p>CPD leads to be alerted - SA</p> <p>All SIG chairs to be alerted – JW</p> <p>Health Alliance – JW</p> <p>Sustainable Education – JW</p> <p>Regional leads – MG</p> <p>SDU – KC</p> <p>Environmental lawyers – HR</p> <p>DsPH – JW</p> <p>Generic presentation – HR &amp; AB</p> <p>Specialty registrars – AB</p> <p>Yorks &amp; Humber conference – MG</p> <p>SIG e mail monitor – HR &amp; JG</p>	<p>PM</p> <p>DP</p> <p>JG</p> <p>SA</p> <p>SA</p> <p>JW</p> <p>JW</p> <p>JW</p> <p>MG</p> <p>KC</p> <p>HR</p> <p>JW</p> <p>HR AB</p> <p>AB</p> <p>MG</p> <p>HR JG</p>
<p>3. Support specialty registrars and other practitioners in meeting relevant learning outcomes, particularly 5.7 by promulgating information and good practice for educational supervisors (in addition to on line resources above) and other FPH members</p>	Sue Atkinson	<p>Linked to publications above - produced by end April 2019.</p> <p>Promulgate publications and webpages etc to FPH officers including TPDs/CPD leads/ Educational supervisors etc and other Faculty members. Promote use of fact sheets by all and for training and CPD.</p>	<p>Educational supervisors and PH registrars better able to meet and demonstrate learning outcome 5.7</p> <p>More Registrars achieving good marks in learning outcomes with regard to sustainable development</p>	<p>Informal feedback.</p> <p>Review with CPD and TPDs groups as appropriate</p>	<p>Anna speaking at new registrars session.</p> <p>Emily Stevenson liaising with Scottish SPRs.</p> <p>UK training needs analysis</p> <p>Training the trainer day – application of 5.7 Scotland only</p> <p>Real challenge – achievement of genuine change and policy affected.</p> <p>Sustainability expert in Scotland – DPH lead is PM</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>ES SA</p> <p>SA &amp; PM</p>

		<p>Collate information on and circulate examples of SpRs experience of 5.7 etc e.g. from Scottish SpRs as exemplars.</p> <p>Review results of survey conducted by Registrars' network last year on SpR and ES's needs.</p> <p>Consider a 'sustainability expert' in each region.</p>				
<p>4. Work with Specialty Registrar sustainable development network to identify placements for PH registrars to work in sustainable development projects, and ensure the necessary support is provided for them.</p> <p>Make application to FPH Registrar project scheme.</p>	Jeremy Wight	<p>Seek expressions of interest from possible organisations for hosting a 'sustainable development' placement (e.g. SDU CSH etc.)</p> <p>Consult with Training Programme Directors</p> <p>Publicise to specialty registrars</p>	<p>Database of possible placements established.</p> <p>Database of good practice placements established on Faculty website.</p> <p>Other organisations will come forward to offer placements.</p>	<p>Monitor uptake of placements and success of trainees in signing off relevant training competencies.</p> <p>Monitor offering of new placements.</p>	<p>JW reported that the project to get 'Sustainability Fellowships' established in three English Regions was not progressing well. It has been very difficult to clarify the processes for approval, and to secure placements. Work continues.</p> <p>JW also reported that the UKHACC is looking for SpRs to undertake two pieces of research, one into the impacts of extreme weather events on specific specialisms, the other into communicating about health impacts of climate change with different groups of professionals to develop messages for the general public.</p> <p>Scotland - SMASH network – fixed placement for registrars and co-chair</p>	<p>JW</p> <p>PM</p>

					Sue: There is a scheme within the Faculty to get registrars to do pieces of work. James may be able to help.	SA / JW / James
5. Agree with partner organisations how best to work together to minimize overlap and maximise synergy.	Jeremy Wight	Agree joint piece(s) of work with agreed deadline.  Explore possibility of working with organisations other than those already identified (Medact, UKHACC, SDU, CSH)	This will allow prioritisation and alignment of efforts, ensuring that SD SIG has maximum impact given resources available.  Will help to promote FPH as an interested party in the field of SD and health.	Completion of joint work.  Establishment of partnerships with other organisations.	JW continues to meet with Nicky Phillpott, (UKHACC) Rachel Stancliffe, & James Szymankiewicz (CSH), Sophie Neuberg (Medact), Sonia Roschnik (SDU).  Possible paper on 'what would a zero-carbon NHS and social care system look like'?  Links being considered with Extinction Rebellion. Meeting again end of September, to which Nick Watts may be invited. Lancet Countdown report due in November.	JW
6. Develop database of SIG members	Helen Ross	By April SIG meeting	More efficient use of SIG member resources.	Up to date Database of SIG members including skills and knowledge	No progress. Database to be discussed with JW	HR/ JW
7. Draft response on behalf of FPH to consultations or other external events as and when appropriate.	Jeremy Wight	Reactive – depending on when consultations emerge.	FPH view is expressed appropriately.	Responses submitted.	PM will share responses by SMASH to Scottish Government consultations. "Future Health of Wales" – a great initiative by Welsh Government. New E&W Environment bill has been deferred due to other Govt priorities, but will likely return in Autumn. Nicky Philpott building up contacts with Parliamentarians in preparation for suggesting amendments. JW has discussed with her suggesting and amendment to make it a statutory duty for	PM  CF

					DsPH to report on Climate Change risks to health.	
8. Hold a workshop / seminar/submit abstracts to conferences to engage and consult with the workforce	Helen Ross / Anna Brook / Emily Stevenson/Ruth Speare	PHE conference – 10-11 September 2019  FPH Scotland conference – 28 and 29 November  PH research on Sustainability and public health in Scotland - ?June/September	Engage wider public health workforce on SD issues, particularly getting the workforce to think more broadly about SD.  Provide registrars and supervisors with examples of SD projects and where SD can be embedded in areas of work.	Number of opportunities to be involved in conferences  Number of attendees at research workshop  Workshop evaluation	Anna and Ruth holding an actual and virtual breakfast session to inspire conversations and ask questions throughout the PHE conference. There will also be a poster – destination zero.	Anna & Ruth
9. Promote the embedding of sustainable development in all public health research.	Jeremy Wight / Helen Ross	Mapping exercise.  Engage with PH research funders.  Workshop in Scotland - tbc	Links between sustainable development and health increasingly incorporated as an explicit outcome in all PH research.  Specific funding stream(s) identified for research into the impact of sustainable development and health (and vv.).	Explicit adoption of this aim by key PH research funders and commissioners.	Rebecca Campbell mapped sustainable research in Scotland. HR developing a Sustainability, research and Public Health workshop in Glasgow on 9 October 2019 that builds on the workshop held in London last year. Howie Frumpkin – Wellcome Trust may support. PM held a “Commissioning Research” session independently chaired by David Hunter and agreed to contribute the outcomes at the FPH workshop.	HR  PM
10. Develop a ‘sustainability checklist’ for use by FPH	Emily Stevenson	Draft version by mid April 2019. Share with SD SIG and PH StR network for comments. Agreed version to be discussed with FPH by June 2019 (?particular FPH group) Endorsement by FPH and disseminate – Summer 2019	The PH StR have been using a sustainability checklist since 2013. This is to ensure the principles of SD are embedded within PH training policy and practice. This includes travel, V/C and T/C access for events, using sustainability guidance for registrar run events.	Would depend on items on checklist but for example, could monitor; - • % of FPH events/lectures with remote access. • ethical investments, commissioning and procurement by FPH • calculation of FPH carbon footprint and adoption of action	Draft available from Emily Stevenson. Comments invited  Healthy urban development planning could contribute.  Incorporate a carbon calculator into the checklist.	ES All  SA

			If the FPH adopted something similar it would be leading by example in SD.	plan to reduce carbon footprint.		
11. Together with the Healthy Spatial Planning SIG, develop a toolkit / checklist to assess plans for local housing developments for sustainability – and the health co-benefits from this.	Ruth Gelletlie, Paul Southon	By Autumn SIG meeting - collate existing material and produce a first draft for discussion.	For use at local level by public health, planning or housing departments or by voluntary sector groups (e.g. for neighbourhood planning or engagement in local climate emergency work).	Toolkit produced	Housing SIG incorporated into SD SIG. liaised with Paul Southon – Sustainable Planning SIG chair. Support PH Depts – proposals for Hsg Development and healthy neighbourhoods. PM – HIA toolkit developed in Scotland – Scottish place standard – 2 <sup>nd</sup> phase. A lot of materials to support. HIA unit in Wales also v useful. Sue – Urban Dev Unit – healthy urban planning – a useful source of information. Impacts need evaluating.	RG, PS