

AGENDA

Rural Economy Sector Group (RESG)

Date: Wednesday, 1 November 2023

Time: 10am – 11.30am

Venue: Microsoft Teams

Name of Member	Organisation	Attendance
David Andrews (DA)	VisitWiltshire	
Charlotte Boole (CB)	Greenway Training	✓
Rory Bowen (RB)	Wiltshire Council	
Katie Davies (KD)	NFU	✓
Chris Farr (CF)	CLA	✓
Rachel Finley (RFi)	Wiltshire Council	
Julian Head (JH)	Wiltshire Council	✓
Ruth Lambert (RL)	FSB	✓
Joanna Lewis (JL)	Wiltshire Wildlife Trust	✓
John Matthews (JM)	Pinkney Park	
James Miles-Hobbs (JM-H)	JMH Farming and Renewables	Apologies
Linda Nunn	Cranborne Chase	
Henry Oliver	North Wessex Downs	
Andy Parsons (AP)	Cotswolds AONB	Apologies
Harry Tipple (HT)	Community First	
Paul Walton (PW)	New Forest NPA	
Caroline Wheatley-Hubbard (CW-H)	Boyton Farm	

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SWLEP: attendance will be dependent on topics discussed		
Laura Arlott (LA)	SWLEP	
Tim Burghes (TB)	SWLEP	✓
Ian Lloyd (IL)	SWLEP	
Debby Skellern (DS)	SWLEP Acting CEO	✓
Chris Stevens (CS)	SWLEP	✓
Guest(s)	Anna Baker Cresswell – Highground ✓ Elly Cooper (EC) - Career Transition Partnership (CTP) Tentative Fiona Galbraith (FG) - Ruralink Tentative Rob Creer (RB) – SWLEP Growth Hub Manager ✓ Graham Huxter (GH) – Wiltshire Council Colin - Greenway Training ✓ Dean Vickery (DV) - Career Transition Partnership (CTP) Apologies	
Chair	Debby Skellern (DS)	
Notes	Deborah House (DKH)	

Item	Timing	Topic	Paper No.	Lead
1.0	10am	Welcome and introductions		DS
2.1	10.05am	Approval of minutes from 24 April 2023	Paper 2.1	DS
2.2		Matters arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Lever from High Ground and Gary Mantle to have discussion offline about Tedworth House reinvigorating the Wiltshire Wildlife Fund programme. <i>Update: Both have now moved on from their organisations, so it is unknown whether this took place.</i> • Establish a small group to include Chris Farr CLA, Charlotte Boole, Rachel Finlay (or other Wiltshire Council representative) Tim Lever, Elly Cooper, Fiona Galbraith and SWLEP to focus on an event on farm with stakeholders for military 	Verbal	



		personnel to engage with opportunities. <i>Update to be given at meeting.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SWLEP to raise the issue of communication provision with Area Lead to make government aware of the situation. <i>Update: there have been changes in staffing, so not known.</i>		
3.0	10.20am	Agricultural sector and military leavers	Verbal	DS
4.0	10.40am	APPG Rural Economy update	Paper 4.0 Presentation	CF
5.0	11am	Project Gigabit	Paper 5.0	GH
6.0	11.15am	Partner updates and AOB	Verbal	ALL
7.0	11.25am	Items for the next meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nature Recovery Strategy Update – Wiltshire Council• NICRE update – rural productivity maps		DS
		Indicative meetings dates for 2024: February 2024 April 2024 July 2024 November 2024		
	11.30am	Close		