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## **COLLINGHAM BUSINESS CLUB UPDATE**

The April meeting of Collingham Business Club was split between virtual venues, starting initially at the Collab virtual pub, to talk about The Gusto Community Fund, before switching to join the Newark Business Club Net Zero Carbon Working Group.

The 2021 round of Gusto Community Fund grants has been expanded to include nominations from both the Gusto house-building team, and recent buyers of Gusto homes on its Collingham development; more nominations means more grants available for community initiatives in and around Collingham. This year, the scheme also provides an opportunity for local community initiatives to flag-up that they would like to be nominated for a grant; full details can be found at <a href="https://gustocommunityfund.org/">https://gustocommunityfund.org/</a>

Switching from helping local communities to helping the planet, the Net Zero Carbon Working Group is a recent initiative on which Collingham Business Club is represented by its Chairman, Steff Wright; other interested parties are also welcome to join.

At what was effectively its inaugural meeting, participants introduced themselves and their organisations. The working agenda for the Group also started to evolve, the aim being to establish a net zero carbon expertise "hot-spot" and associated economic development advantage for the area. From the present position, this will involve developing relevant knowledge, skills and practical implementation initiatives – an exciting journey in prospect, given the global importance of reducing atmospheric CO<sup>2</sup> levels.

The next virtual Business Club meeting will take place between 6 and 7pm on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021. The meetings are free to attend, and open to anyone in the local area with an interest in business matters.

To join the Club e-mail list, for Club information, or for more details about any of the above, please contact terrynash@gusto-uk.com