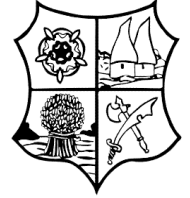


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29th January 2024

Dear Councillor,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to a meeting of the **CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE** which will be held on **Wednesday, 7th February at 9.30AM** when the under mentioned business will be transacted.

Yours faithfully

Patricia M Harris

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Town Clerk

To: Councillor Barbara Tansey (Chair)
Councillor Don Hammond
Councillor Matthew Kellermann
Councillor Janice Treacher

ACAN: Phinna Brealey
Energy Alton: Stuart Mills
Active Travel representative: Chris Chappell
Youth Representative: Erdogan Ornek
Business Representative - Janos Huszar

Copied to all other Councillors for information.

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 7th FEBRUARY 2024
TOWN HALL, MARKET SQUARE, ALTON AT 9.30AM

AGENDA

1. Chairman's Announcements.
2. Apologies for absence
3. Minutes - to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 18th October
4. Declarations of Interests & Requests for Dispensations - Councillors are reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation has been granted, you may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on any matter in which you have a pecuniary interest. You must withdraw from the room when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter.
5. Questions/Representations to the Committee including those received in writing (Public Speaking)
6. ACAN Update
 - a. Biodiversity presentation by Jenny Griffiths, Avlan's greening project
 - b. Eco Street Project Update
7. Climate Change Action Plan - Reports on action undertaken since last meeting
 - a. ATCs transport and carbon emissions CC
 - b. Carbon capture from planting CC
 - c. Retrofitting Town Hall and assembly rooms DH/SM
 - d. VCSE Energy Efficiency grant SM
 - e. Retrofit of 3 retail spaces and refurb of no 16 as community space – BT
 - f. EV Charging Update
8. Climate Change Action Plan - Actions going forward.

Please will all members look at the Action Plan to identify areas they are currently working on, or feel they would like to work towards, so that we can make some decisions at this meeting about what to progress next, and how best to record work in progress.
9. District Council Update

Date of Next Meeting: 29th May 9.30am

**CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2024
REPORTS**

ITEM 6b – ECO STREETS PROJECT UPDATE

FOR INFORMATION

1. Eco Streets was a pilot community outreach project funded by Hampshire County Council (Leader's Community Fund), which started in May 2022 and finished in July 2023. The project manager was Scott Gudrich (12 hours per week of paid time), and his written report is attached. There is also a recording of a Zoom presentation on our You Tube channel – here is the link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RInxf4m8H7Y> The purpose of Eco-Streets was to reach more people in the community and the report describes the various ways in which Scott and volunteers did this, including a range of events, a wildflower verge, the book and exhibition “Listen to the Children” <https://altonclimatenetwork.org.uk/listen-to-the-children-exhibition-and-photobook/> and the “Web of Life” play and song, the latter recorded by St Lawrence's Primary School and also to be found on our You Tube channel. I am also attaching a couple of summary pages of key learning points.
2. The current community outreach project is Eco Streets on the New Estates, which started at the end of last summer and runs until the end of September. This is funded by Neighbourhood CIL and has 8 hours per week of paid time. It is using some of the approaches from the pilot project – especially walks and talks, see example flyer from November – to reach out to residents on these estates. Walks and talks will restart in March after a break for the winter. We volunteers have also done a lot of survey work, chatting to people on the doorstep about what ACAN has to offer, leaving a copy of the “ACAN and its Groups” flyer with each resident. A special project this winter has been the installation of swift boxes on some houses – a good use of CIL funding. We have reached out to Hop Field Place and Ackender Hill so far, and hope to start on the Cala estate on the old brewery site in March. It is too soon to report on this project.

The aim of Eco-Streets is simply to engage with as many new people as possible, so that hopefully they use some of ACAN's services such as the Repair Café etc., and encourage them to think more about low-carbon and nature-friendly living.

ITEM 7e – RETROFIT OF 3 RETAIL SPACES & REFURBISHMENT OF NO. 16 AS COMMUNITY SPACE

Report to follow.

ITEM 7f – EV CHARGING

Report to follow on funding opportunity for EV charging points.