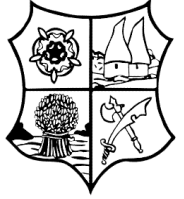


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15th January 2025

Dear Councillor,

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to a meeting of the **CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE** which will be held on **Wednesday, 23rd April 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 Janice Treacher

ACAN: Rod Painell
Energy Alton: Kevin Ray
Energy Alton: John Hubbard
Active Travel representative: Chris Chappell
EHDC Representative – Pennie Brown
Scott Gudrich – Youth Representative

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 23rd APRIL 2025
TOWN HALL, MARKET SQUARE, ALTON AT 9.30AM

AGENDA

1. **Chairman's Announcements.**

- a. Welcome Pennie Browne in remote attendance – will report in item 6.
- o Introduce Scott Gudrich as the new Youth Representative.
- o Update on Business Rep.

2. **Apologies for absence**

3. **Minutes** - to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 22nd January 2025

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)

An application for funding towards Solar Panels has been received from Alton Social Bowls. To be considered at this meeting.

6. **District Council update** - PB

2.3 EVs in EHDC car parks update.

3.4 Potential review to extend the current 20mph limits in Alton

3.8 Update on EHDC Air Quality Strategy

7. **Actions on Climate Change Action Plan - SECTION ONE (Alton Town Council)**

- 1.1 Review carbon use against baseline. – DH
- 1.2 ATCs transport and carbon emissions – Report on electric tools for Grounds Team – DH
- 1.3 Kings Pond Bungalows draft letter to tenants to offer energy survey – WS
- 1.3 Replace insulation for door, 16 Market Square – WS
- 1.4 Energy survey for Assembly Room – Energy Alton
- 1.4 Retrofitting existing council owned properties – DH, KR and JH
 - o Challenge Statement for replacement boiler plan for Town Hall - DH
 - o Refurbishment of Town Hall project including secondary glazing – WS
 - Insulation at Jubilee Bungalows – WS
- 1.5 Jubilee Pavilions project – DH
- 1.6 Explore further renewable energy sources for Alton Town Council's premises
 - Report from Rugby Club on Clubhouse at Anstey Park
 - Solar Panel and water heating for showers for Finnimore Pavilion - KR
 - Solar panels for Energique through Energise South Downs proposal – DH
- 1.7 Carbon sequestration from planting and feedback on hedge and tree planting – JT
- 1.8 Replacement of existing 'in bloom' schemes with environmentally sustainable alternatives around the town.

1.9 Active Travel mapping and signage - CC

8. **Updates on Climate Change Action Plan SECTION TWO (Community)**

- 2.1 Wayfinding (see 1.8) CC/WS
- 2.2 Promotions to reduce waste – SG/ RP
- 2.3 EHDC car parks EV roll out. - PB
- 2.4 Community Events planned 2025/26 – ACAN, Young ACAN, Cycle Alton (budget £2,000) RP/SG/CC
- 2.5 Sustainability hub – Energy Alton and ACAN to pursue. -KR/RP
- 2.6 Reduce plastic waste/new water fountains RP/SG
- 2.7 Support climate and nature action by young people – SG
- 2.8 Future/ongoing Energy Alton initiatives – KR/JH

9. **Updates on Climate Change Action Plan SECTION THREE (Working with decision makers.)**

Whilst much of it is beyond our control as a Town Council our EHDC representative Pennie Browne also liaises with HCC and can inform and support us, and Barbara as a District Councillor and Chris for Cycle Alton are also working with other tiers of local government. As Hampshire County Council has opted to be in the first tranche for devolution, we will need to see what the new Unitary Authority for our area will eventually bring. In the meantime, we can cover this section through the reports of our EHDC rep Pennie Browne, and our Active Travel Rep Chris Chappel.

- 3.1 Cycle Alton - Led Cycle Sessions (feedback) – CC
- 3.4 (Review of 20 mph limits in Alton – PB)
- 3.6 LCWIP now published. Brief summary of the two Alton routes that made it into the LCWIP. – CC

10. **ACAN Update**

11. **Review of Terms of Reference**

Date of Next Meeting: 23rd July 2025 at 9.30am

CLIMATE CHANGE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY 23rd APRIL 2025
REPORTS

7 (1.3) Alton Town Council Carbon use data

Unit	Location	Average Daily usage							
		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Gas	Assembly rooms	4.44	5.69	3.50	5.28	6.71	4.66	4.92	3.62
Gas	Edgar Hall						3.15	0.90	1.37
Gas	Finnimore Pavilion	7.83	9.70	8.38	7.51	7.12	9.39	7.57	8.13
Gas	Town Hall	11.38	9.00	12.77	7.51	7.77	7.96	9.42	9.21
Electricity	Foodbank (1)	1.66	1.24	1.64	1.28	1.88	3.03	3.59	3.51
Electricity	Foodbank (2)	0.02	0.00	0.05	0.03	0.50	0.95	0.67	0.57
Electricity	Assembly Rooms	62.86	79.29	70.96	81.31	77.51	70.04	79.20	60.65
Electricity	Charles Read Pavilion	7.86	13.30	18.86		20.94	18.16	2.99	11.64
Electricity	Compound, public gardens	10.34	6.21	6.60	5.72	10.58	4.12	3.73	3.89
Electricity	Finnimore Pavilion	60.04	51.76	63.46	57.26	67.11	72.21	79.43	76.39
Electricity	Harry Baker Pavilion (1)	14.99	12.85	10.05	4.98	6.61	5.86	4.72	5.65
Electricity	Harry Baker Pavilion (2)	16.04	13.20	11.30	4.68	6.68	7.26	6.07	6.69
Electricity	Harry Baker Pavilion (3)	12.26	9.94	8.32	4.22	5.33	4.26	3.32	9.52
Electricity	Workshop	0.27	0.32	0.30	0.29	0.20	0.30	0.55	0.20
Electricity	Town Hall (1)	3.19	3.76	5.44	5.86	4.84	3.61	3.29	0.94
Electricity	Town Hall (2)	17.32	16.35	22.35	19.68	19.03	13.37	12.55	12.93
Electricity	Tennis Courts					3.12	6.58	4.64	3.21
Electricity	Edgar Hall						1.62	4.44	3.02
Electricity	16 Market Square						1.09	0.94	1.86
Electricity	16 Market Square						0.00	0.00	0.33
Electricity	16 Market Square						1.65	1.03	2.62
Water	Workshop	0.28	0.03	0.09	0.03	0.03	0.00	0.17	0.14
Water	The Butts	0.07	0.19	0.03	0.04	0.12	0.05	0.03	0.15
Water	Borovere Allotments	0.22	0.27	0.29	0.59	0.24	0.48	0.45	0.20
Water	Wooteys Allotments	0.95	1.44	1.06	2.11	1.76	2.57	1.62	0.97
Water	Whitedown Allotments	0.28	0.24	0.48	1.20	0.78	1.58	0.73	1.01
Water	Spitalfield Allotments					0.43	0.76	0.46	0.17
Water	Hawthorn Allotments					0.94	0.97	0.81	0.30
Water	Mobile Toilet	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
Water	Playing field at Anstey Park	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Water	Finnimore Pavilion	2.80	2.85	10.46	0.32	0.45	0.74	0.21	1.71
Water	Auxillary supply at Anstey Park	0.03	0.04	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.25	0.02
Water	Assembly rooms	2.09	1.94	1.59	0.94	0.71	0.93	0.67	1.15
Water	Town Hall	0.22	0.21	0.34	0.10	0.18	0.21	0.22	0.15
Water	Jubilee Playing Field	6.08	3.15	0.47	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Water	Public Gardens								0.00
Heating Oil	1 Jubilee Gardens	4.19	3.76	3.28	3.76	2.64	0.97	1.45	7.43
Heating Oil	2 Jubilee Gardens	4.70	4.96	2.24	1.19	1.57	0.92	1.16	4.80
Fuel	Diesel (average per month in litres)				195.00	303.00	304.00	316.34	275.25
Fuel	Unleaded (average per month in litres)				39.00	25.00	42.00	28.44	26.08

7 (1.4) Challenge Statement for replacement boiler plan for Town Hall

The launch of the Challenge Statement has been delayed due to identification of the maximum electrical supply to the Town Hall, this has now been achieved and the suggested new dates for the process are:

Start Date: 22nd April 2025

End Date: 29th May 2025

Response Date: 26th June 2025

Pitch: 24th July 2025 at Alton

The Challenge Statement is included in the document pack.

Refurbishment of Town Hall project including secondary glazing

A final survey has been completed for the secondary glazing, and this is due to be installed in June & July 2025.

Scaffolding will be required for the project so the roof repairs and external decoration will take place at the same time.

Thermal blinds will be fitted once the secondary glazing is in place which will provide shade in the summer and retain heat during the winter.

Report from Rugby Club on Clubhouse at Anstey Park

Written report to follow.

Solar panels for Energique through Energise South Downs proposal

This project has been reassessed and Energique are looking to progress.

7 (1.6) – Loft insulation at Jubilee Bungalows

Updates on the quotes for loft insulation are being collated.

9. Led Cycle Sessions

A grant application has been received from Cycle Alton for £200 to support Led Cycle Session in Alton to improve confidence to use a bicycle in the town instead of driving.

The funds are to be used to purchase Hi-Viz gilets, arm bands or gloves and to print marketing flyers. Initially 4 sessions are planned for Saturdays in March. There will be 6 people on each ride plus 2 leaders who will ride at the front and behind the group to keep them all safe.

Cycle Alton Report

Updates for Action Plan

1.9 Improving accessibility to walking routes, through clear mapping, signage, and publicity.

Cycle Alton obtained a grant of £6,478 from EHDC Climate Change Action fund (CCAF) to install signs to encourage local people to walk or cycle into town from new housing developments. The project is in liaison with Walk Alton. Locations have been identified, and we are now identifying land ownership. The HCC Rights of Way Team have approved in principle the use of stickers as directional signs to accompany their footpath signs. Contacts to identify other landowners are now required at EHDC and HCC Highways, plus housing developers where appropriate.

The grant also covers the updating of the Cycling in Alton map, in liaison with Walk Alton, with a map of walking routes on the reverse.

2.1 Installation of wayfinding in key locations across the town centre for pedestrians and cyclists

Cycle Alton took five nervous cyclists around town on their Confidence Building Rides over four Saturday mornings in March. The riders all needed detailed advice and support over a five-mile ride that included junctions, mini roundabouts and the High Street, with a social get together over coffee afterwards. Feedback was very positive, especially in accessing quieter routes. Some riders are planning more practice rides together. This new initiative will be continued in September. Cycle Alton is grateful for the £200 grant that enabled the riders to have high viz gilets and arm bands.

3.1 Reducing car travel and traffic congestion, and encouraging behaviour change

Another eight 2-hour Bike Maintenance workshops have been held (last Sept 2024 and Feb 2025). They continue to be appreciated by all the ladies attending. We are grateful for the £900 grant from Cllr Tansey that paid for the instructor's time and venue costs.

3.6 Contribute towards and assist in delivery of the EHDC LWCIP (Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan)

Now the East Hants LCWIP has been accepted by HCC cabinet, (March 6th, 2025) Cllr Tansey is asking for a meeting with Ben Martin-Brooks, HCC Senior Transport Manager to clarify the future strategy for

