



# LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

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2 February 2023

To: Councillors Chowns, Howells, Morris & Shields (Chairman)  
Non-Councillors: Al Braithwaite

Dear Member

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Climate Change Working Party** on **Wednesday, 8 February 2023 at 6.00pm at the Town Council Offices, Church Lane, Ledbury**, for the purpose of transacting the business below.

Yours faithfully

Angela Price  
Town Clerk

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## A G E N D A

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Declarations of Interests**

To receive any declarations of interest and written requests for dispensations.  
*(Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Ledbury Town Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011)*

*(Note: Members seeking advice on this item are asked to contact the Monitoring officer at least 72 hours prior to the meeting)*

3. **To elect non-council members to the Climate Change Working Party**

4. **To approve and sign the minutes of a meeting of the Climate Change Working Party held on 7 December 2022** (Pages 224 - 227)
5. **Update of Action Points**
  - 5.1 Feedback from E&L Committee
  - 5.2 Update on Warm Rooms (Pages 228 - 229)
6. **Great Big Green Week**
  - 6.1 Update on actions detailed in minute 6.4 iii) of the minutes of 7 December 2022
  - 6.2 Sustainable Air Travel (Pages 230 - 231)
7. **Measuring Ledbury's Carbon Footprint** (Verbal)
8. **Litter Picking**
  - 8.1 Progress on identifying groups undertaking litter picking (Pages 232 – 233)
9. **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting of the Climate Change Working Party is scheduled for Wednesday, 5 April 2023 at 6.00pm

## LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Shields, Chowns and Morris  
Non-Councillors – Al Braithwaite

**ALSO PRESENT:** Angie Price, Town Clerk  
David Wood-Robinson

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Paul Kinnaird.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None received.

#### 3. TO ELECT NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS

None.

#### 4. TO APPROVE AND SIGN, AS A CORRECT RECORD, THE MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING PARTY MEETING HELD ON 12 OCTOBER 2022.

##### RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Climate Change Working Party meeting held on 12 October 2022 be approved and signed as a correct record, with no amendments.

#### 5. UPDATE ON ACTION POINTS

##### 5.1 Feedback from E&L Committee

The Committee accepted the Terms of Reference. The Committee also agreed to the initial project outline for the Big Green Week and would wish to receive updates and timescales. The Committee requested that a budget be identified for the event that may be required.

##### RESOLVED

That a recommendation be submitted to the Environment & Leisure Committee that a budget for Climate Change of £2,000 would be included in the 2023/24 budget.



## 5.2 **Warm Rooms**

It was noted that a number of these locations had now been set up and were starting to be used. There was no detail on the available capacity at each location and this would be useful information for people. It was noted that Councillor Morris had not been able to obtain information on the facilities (games, reading etc). It was also suggested that each location should be monitored to see how successfully they were.

### **RESOLVED**

**That information be sourced to identify capacity at each location and also facilities that might be available. These would be added to the Council's Newsletter. Monitoring would be undertaken during the course of the period by Aimee Williams, Talk Community Development Officer at Herefordshire Council.**

## 5.3 **Keep Herefordshire Warm**

Councillor Shields has arranged for "Keep Herefordshire Warm" to hold an event on Tuesday, 10 January 2023 between 10:00hrs and 14:00hrs under the Market House.

## 5.4 **Use of the Council Facebook Page**

Advice and Articles from the Working Party could not be posted directly and should be provided to the Clerk or Deputy Clerk, who will duly post them appropriately.

## 6. **GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK 10 – 18 JUNE 2023**

- 6.1 It was noted that the initial project brief needed to be updated and regularly reviewed and supported by an appropriate timeline of activities. This included revising the overall objective – replacing the words "to try" with "combat".
- 6.2 It was noted that John Masefield School and the feeder schools would like to be involved. Councillor Shields would return to the School in March 2023 to attend a Cluster Meeting which includes all the head teachers and Chairman of Governors, to share ideas with them on how they could be involved. It was suggested that there could be quiz/competitions on how far fruit/vegetables had travelled and how much water it took to grow the produce.
- 6.3 The Working Group discussed what events/activities should form part of the week. It was agreed that individuals of the working group would take responsibility for contacting a number of organisations to see what they could contribute/if packs were available. The table below, under resolution 6iii, identifies who would do what.

- 6.4 It was noted that 10 June 2023 is also Community Day in the town. Councillor Shields will ask if there could be a “green” theme.

**RESOLVED**

- i. That Al Braithwaite would review and update the project brief and draw together an outline plan of actions required to make the event happen.
- ii. That Councillor Shields is to meet with the Cluster Group to discuss opportunities for being part of the week’s events.
- iii.

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| Schools & Quiz ideas  | Cllr Shields   |
| Supermarkets – packaging/local vs distance travel for goods | Al Braithwaite |
| Surfers against Sewage                                      | Al Braithwaite |
| Review of Herefordshire Green Network                       | Cllr Chowns    |
| Garden Organic  | Cllr Shields   |
| Virgin Atlantic – presentation/carbon offsetting            | Angie Price    |
| Traders Association   | Emma Jackson   |
| Herefordshire Council - electric charging points            | Angie Price    |
| Car Club  | Cllr Chowns    |
| NMITE   | Cllr Shields   |

- iv. That Councillor Shields is to speak to the Chairman of Community Day.

**7. MEASURING LEBDURY’S CARBON FOOTPRINT**

There was a brief discussion about whether information should be captured on a residential, house by house basis or that a town-wide approach be taken. It was noted that the Clerk had information about a town-wide approach and that in his absence, Paul Kinnaird had sent an email indicating that a residential, house by house approach would be more effective.

In Paul’s absence, given that no one present had his level of expert knowledge, it was agreed to defer further discussion and any decision until the next meeting.

Councillor Chowns advised that the Methodist Church was due to receive a “silver” award with regard to its carbon footprint. It was suggested that perhaps that could be presented during the Big Green Week.

**RESOLVED**

**Members of the Climate Change Working Party agreed to hold the item over until Paul Kinnaird is able to attend.**

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

To note that the date of the next meeting of the Climate Change Working Party was scheduled for 8 February 2023 at 6.00pm.





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## WARM SPACES IN LEDBURY

Updated for February 2023

- Mondays -** Methodist Church 9am to 6pm (closing at 5pm if empty)  
Library 9:30am to 4:30pm
- Tuesdays -** Library 9:30am to 6pm
- Wednesdays -** Ledbury Foodbank 12pm to 4pm,  
Pot & Page - 10am to 5pm
- Thursdays -** Library 9:30am to 4:30pm, Pot & Page - 10am to 5pm
- Fridays -** Ledbury Foodbank 12pm to 4pm,  
Library 9:30am to 4:30pm, Pot & Page - 10am to 5pm
- Saturdays -** Library 9:30am to 12:30pm, Pot & Page - 10am to 5pm

**TALK COMMUNITY**

**BRINGING  
HEREFORDSHIRE  
TOGETHER**

**COME  
ON IN**

**GET  
NICE &  
TOASTY**

**HAVE A  
CHAT**

 **Herefordshire  
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| <b>CLIMATE CHANGE<br/>WORKING PARTY</b> | <b>8 FEBRUARY 2023</b> | <b>AGENDA ITEM: 6.2</b> |
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Report prepared by Angela Price – Town Clerk

### **SUSTAINABLE AIR TRAVEL**

#### **Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report is to provide links to information in relation to Virgin Atlantic's sustainable air travel programme.

#### **Detailed Information**

At the last meeting of the Climate Change there had been a brief discussion about sustainable air travel and how it might be interesting to look at this information and potential make use of it at the Big Green Week.

The Clerk advised that she may be able to help with sourcing some information about Virgin Atlantic's sustainable air travel programme, which she followed up after the meeting.

In 2018 Virgin Atlantic completed their first commercial flight with LanzaTech alcohol-to-jet fuel and since then they have been working to progress sustainable air travel. This year they have announced plans to undertake the first net-zero flight from London to New York. Further information on this can be found on their website and at the following links:

- [Business for good | Virgin Atlantic](#)
- <https://www.virgin.com/branson-family/richard-branson-blog/virgin-atlantic-flies-first-ever-commercial-flight-using-lanzatechs-sustainable-jet>
- <https://ktn-uk.org/news/virgin-atlantic-completes-first-commercial-flight-with-lanzatech-alcohol-to-jet-fuel/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1UiOzUdcZhg>
- <https://www.virgin.com/about-virgin/latest/virgin-atlantic-to-operate-historic-net-zero-transatlantic-flight>
- <https://travelnoire.com/virgin-atlantics-2023-worlds-first-net-zero-transatlantic-flight-from-london-to-new-york>

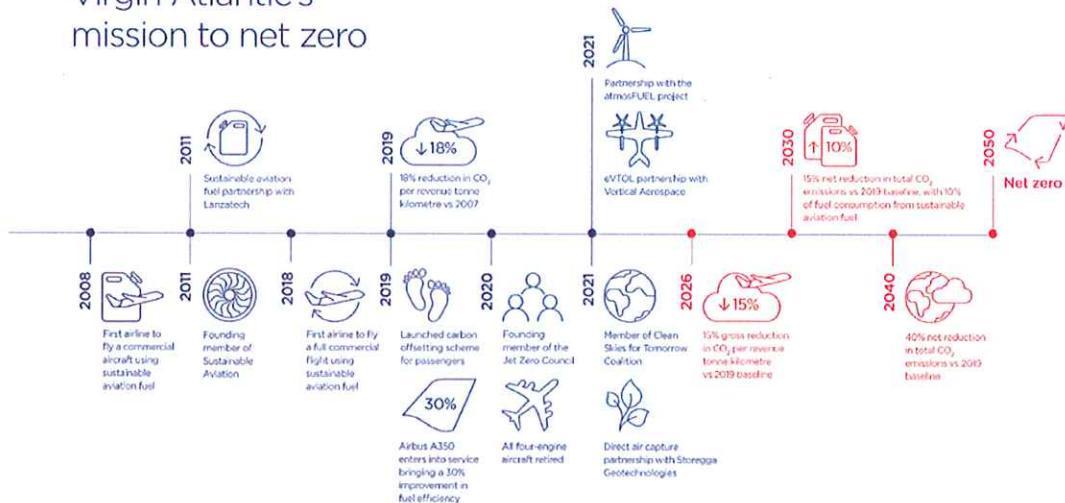
The Clerk was also provided with information on Virgin Atlantic's Story so far and their mission to net zero timeline which are included over the page.

## The story so far

- 🏆 First airline to fly a commercial flight on waste-based fuel
- 🏆 One of the youngest twin-engine fleets in the skies
- 🏆 Founding member of UK aviation's Jet Zero Council and Sustainable Aviation
- 🏆 Sustainable Aviation Fuel partnerships with producers such as Neste, Gevo, LanzaTech and Air Company



## Virgin Atlantic's mission to net zero



## Recommendation

That Members of the Climate Change receive and note the aforementioned information and consider how they can incorporate this information into the Great Big Green Week event.

| LITTER PICKING GROUPS                |                 |  |              |                  | As at 02.02.2023              |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--------------|------------------|-------------------------------|
| Group                                | Name            | Email  | Telephone    | Picking Dates    | Address                       |
| Praying Litter Pickers               | Georgina Hicks  | <a href="mailto:gth862@gmail.com">gth862@gmail.com</a>                                   |              | 1 Saturday Month |                               |
| Ledbury Methodist Church             | Stephen Chowns  | <a href="mailto:schowns@ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk">schowns@ledburytowncouncil.gov.uk</a> |              | Quarterly ?      |                               |
| Local Volunteers                     | Helen           |  | 01531 636403 | As & When        |                               |
|                                      | Pam Watkins     | <a href="mailto:pawswato123@gmail.com">pawswato123@gmail.com</a>                         | 01531 636670 | Independently    |                               |
| Ledbury Business Traders Association | Susie McKechnie | <a href="mailto:susie.mckechnie@btinternet.com">susie.mckechnie@btinternet.com</a>       |              | To be confirmed  |                               |
|                                      | Graeme Snadden  |  | 07766 562255 |                  | 42 Prince Rupert Road HR8 2FA |
|                                      | Lyn Sugden      | <a href="mailto:lyn@sugdons.org.uk">lyn@sugdons.org.uk</a>                               | 01531 670182 |                  |                               |
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