

## **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.

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 LEDBURY’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.**