
Hollinswood and Randlay Parish Council

Chairman of the Committee: Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson

Clerk: Katrina Baker MBE

CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP

MINUTES of the meeting held at Hollinswood Neighbourhood Centre on Monday, 4th October 2021 at 7pm.

PRESENT: Councillor S Vaughan-Hodkinson
Councillor H Unwin
Councillor S Unwin
Councillor J Creed
Councillor V Holt
G Johnson

In Attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk

CC2021/022 WELCOME

The Chairman, Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson, opened the meeting and welcomed members, thanking them for attending.

CC2021/023 APOLOGIES

None

CC2021/024 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no additional declarations to be recorded over and above the registered list.

CC2021/025 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13th JULY 2021

It was proposed by Councillor S Unwin and seconded by Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson, all were in favour and it was

RESOLVED that the Chairman should sign the minutes as a true and accurate record.
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CC2021/026 MATTERS ARISING NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA

a) Carbon Footprint

Councillor H Unwin had used a free calculator from the web and with the information provided for all three centres and the Parish vehicles, it had produced a figure of 26.43 tonnes. As an illustration within this calculation, the Parish Van was 1.35 tonnes and the Clerk's car 2.4 tonnes.

Thanks were extended to Stuart for providing the concise numbers which had been useful.

It was agreed that one definite way in which this can be reduced will be the use of a sustainable supplier for the centres. However, Members discussed a significant amount of work undertaken since these readings had been taken and therefore Members believed that we would have already made a saving, but this cannot be calculated until early in 2022.

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b) Co-Op Initiative

Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson updated Members on the scrunchy packaging initiative available at the Co-Op Stores in Stirchley and at Dawley and encouraged everyone to take advantage and to use these facilities. More information is available on the website.

CC2021/027 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT SURVEY

Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson reported that there was little more that could be added at this time, however she will make contact with other Parish Councils both locally and across the country in order to gather other ideas.

Councillor Holt suggested that consideration be given to creating ponds, which increase biodiversity.

Glyn would look at the disposal / recycling of power tools and would investigate the option of providing a water butt at Hollinswood Neighbourhood Centre and at the Allotments.

CC2021/028 WEBSITE

We have created Zero30 and Members are invited to write short articles to be included, with a photograph where possible.

Useful tips and good ideas will be shared on social media, it is hoped that local residents will get involved in local initiatives.

CC2021/029 NEXT STEPS

Link the Parish Council website page to other local initiatives, such as Hollinswood Primary School.

Members considered a local initiative to assist them in gathering information. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact local Stafford Park companies to engage with them on their environmental and climate change policies.

It may be possible to work with a local company to provide free LED bulbs for their properties in exchange for details of the savings they make, over a period of time. One company suggested was Luceco PLC.

An article will be included in the next newsletter to promote the work of this group and to engage with residents.

CC2021/030 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

6th December 2021

7pm

Hollinswood Neighbourhood Centre

Signed Date