
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, 28th October 2024 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor S Vaughan-Hodkinson
Councillor H Unwin
Councillor S Unwin
Councillor J Creed
Councillor S Snell
Councillor P Farrar

In Attendance: Katrina Baker, Clerk
Glyn Johnson

CC24/015 WELCOME
The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed members, thanking them for attending.

CC24/016 APOLOGIES
Stuart Fisher

CC24/017 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Members confirmed the registered list of declarations.
Councillors Vaughan-Hodkinson & Farrar are Members of the TW Climate Change Communities Forum.

CC24/018 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10th JUNE 2024
It was proposed by Councillor S Unwin and seconded by Councillor Creed, all were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes be signed as a true record.

CC24/019 MATTERS ARISING
None

CC24/020 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT SURVEY
The Chairman thanked the staff for keeping this up to date and for taking into consideration our Environmental Policy and Parish Strategy when undertaking our day-to-day tasks.
A copy of the updated survey will appear on the Parish Council website.
Details of our Carbon Footprint are needed.

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CC24/021 TW CLIMATE CHANGE COMMUNITIES FORUM

Councillor Farrar had not been able to attend the last meeting as the Teams link did not work. The Minutes of the meeting had been circulated by TWC.

Questions were asked about the role of this Forum and its Terms of Reference.

Some postcards had been received. It is important that the Parish Councils and local groups and organisations are engaged in the process.

The Staff have created a postcard, responding to the five areas however, it was not the view of all Councillors. Councillors were encouraged to complete a postcard and submit it, or forward items for inclusion to Councillor Farrar for a joint submission to be created.

CC24/022 CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE

Councillor Farrar had represented the Parish Council at this event, which was well attended.

It was clear that there is a desire for a clear vision for the future. Sustainability questionnaires are to be sent to local suppliers, these need to be clear and not woolly for maximum effect.

Topics considered within the conference included:

Warm Spaces and Cold Spaces

Keeping curtains closed

Communicating with residents

Arrange open days and focus groups – give the best information

Consider a cycling-bus to school

Recycling inner tubes – act as a collection point – work with Schwalbe to create new items from old.

CC24/023 OTHER MATTERS

Where to now!

We remain committed to being carbon neutral by 2030 – how is this progressing?

Councillors to offer tips on what they have already done or do.

Shout about our plans and how effective what we have done has been.

Promote savings.

Parish Council – keeping costs down to protect the precept for high increases.

Invite guests to WG meetings. Consider the school ECO Committee and our User Groups.

Consider a Climate Café

Add to our website and social media – A weekly thought.

CC24/024 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Open Event – mid to end of January, with a WG meeting in December to arrange the details.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.25pm, thanking everyone for their important contributions to a successful meeting