



YOU ARE INVITED TO A MEETING OF THE

CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

(Members: Councillors Zafar Ali, Chris Church, Sarah Cockburn-Price, Kieran McGladdery, Ash Sutcliffe, Y. Tennant and Tom Whipp).

TO BE HELD
REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT OFFICE TEAMS ON

15TH JULY, 2024

AT 6.00 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. Appointment of Chair

To consider the appointment of a Chair of the Working Group for the municipal year 2024/25.

2. Appointment of Vice-Chair

To consider the appointment of a Vice-Chair of the Working Group for the municipal year 2024/25.

3. Minutes

Enc. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Working Group held on 18th March 2024.

4. Climate Engagement Programme Update

To receive a verbal update from In-Situ.

5. Climate Programme Manager Update

To receive a verbal update from the Head of Economic Growth on the recruitment of the Climate Programme Manager.

6. Community Energy Update

To receive a briefing from the Head of Economic Growth on discussions held to date on community energy opportunities.

7. Examples of Good Practice

- **Trawden Community Shop.**

There will also be an opportunity for further examples to be put forward.

8. Lancashire Climate Action Network (LancsCAN) Feedback

To receive verbal feedback from CEWG Members who attended the LancsCAN event held on 6th June 2024.

9. Items for Noting

- **Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Points in Car Parks.** EV charge points in car parks will be included in the new parking policy and strategies Pendle Borough Council (PBC) is working on for the five towns in the Borough with car parks. A baseline and background report is being considered by the relevant Area Committees in July. Members are being asked to select a Working Group to help determine requirements for each town. The baseline report and follow up from the Working Groups will form the scope for a Consultant to carry out the necessary surveys to complete the car parking policy and strategies for Nelson, Colne, Brierfield, Barnoldswick and Earby, including preferred locations and requirements for EV charge points.

- **Biodiversity Net Gain (BNG).** BNG is being implemented through the Development Management process. Councils have been given £28k of capacity funding. In line with the decision of PBC's Executive in March, Greater Manchester Ecology Unit has been engaged to assist PBC with looking at the costs for increasing BNG on Gib Hill and also assisting us with ensuring our Development Management processes are robust.

Agreement has been reached with the Executive Portfolio Holders responsible for Planning and the Environment on the Membership of the Working Group that the Executive agreed should be set up. That Group is now being convened.

PBC are working with Lancashire County Council (LCC) and other Councils on the production of the Lancashire Nature Recovery Strategy. That is likely to be reported to PBC in December. There is a statutory duty to reply within 4 weeks which will cause issues with the Committee timetable so a potential delegation route is being looked at. PBC have asked for 6 weeks but no decision from LCC has been made on this request.

- **Masterplans Update.** The Masterplans are nearing completion and there is some Member feedback currently being incorporated. The final versions will go to PBC's Executive on 1st August 2024 for adoption.

Each town in the Borough has identified their priorities in relation to how they would want to develop, which includes better transportation links, heritage, employment and housing.

When the Masterplans are adopted they will form the basis of developing projects and will lever funding for future developments to meet the needs of the local communities.

- **Rewilding Britain.** Rewilding Britain have recently announced that they will be funding nine new projects as part of the Spring 2024 round of their Rewilding Innovation Fund. These projects represent a diverse range of rewilding initiatives and will receive seed funding to help break down barriers to rewilding. More information can be found at https://www.rewildingbritain.org.uk/blog/nine-innovative-rewilding-projects-awarded-funding-boost?utm_source=Rewilding+Britain+newsletter&utm_campaign=d9858d2c70-EMAIL_MAY_NEWSLETTER_2024_05_29&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_6591f59cfd-0579270b09-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D.

10. Items for a Future Agenda

- Climate Change Action Plan
- Annual Emissions Report
- Walking School Bus Schemes

There will also be an opportunity for further items to be put forward.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 16th September, 2024 at 6.00 p.m.**