

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

16TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

AT 6.00 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. Minutes

Enc. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Working Group held on 15th July 2024.

2. Overview of Lancashire County Council's Climate Work

To receive a verbal update from Lancashire County Council's Head of Environment and Climate on their climate work.

3. Active Travel

To receive a verbal update on Lancashire County Council's active travel plans.

4. Fleet Decarbonisation Review 2024

Enc. To consider the attached report from the Assistant Director Operational Services.

5. Pesticide Use

To receive an update from the Green Spaces Manager on the Council's position on pesticide use.

6. <u>Climate Programme Manager Update</u>

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

7. Examples of Good Practice

Enc. Reuse 360 HUB Burnley.

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

8. Items for Noting

- Local Plan. We have finished drafting the publication version of the Local Plan. The plan and a number of supporting documents are going to Executive and Council in September for Member approval for a final six-week consultation and submission for independent examination. If approved, the consultation would take place in October and November, with submission targeted before the new year. All being well the examination would take place in the Spring/Summer of 2025 with adoption in December 2025.
- Building Stock Decarbonisation Programme. The Heat Decarbonisation Plans (HDPs)
 have now been received for PBC owned operational buildings with a gas boiler. HDPs are
 a prerequisite for any Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme (PSDS) application. PSDS
 Phase 4, initially due to launch in August 2024, is currently on hold; we're awaiting further
 Government announcement on this programme.

North West Net Zero Hub was unsuccessful with their multi-authority bid to the Low Skills Fund in April which would support PSDS applications: mainly the development of HDP's and/or next stage technical designs for submission into PSDS. Support will still be available from the Hub and we are working with them to determine what this could look like in future.

- Climate Engagement Programme. The Climate Engagement Programme is currently underway, as outlined at the last meeting by In-Situ. To date, 5 Climate Fresks have been delivered. A Climate Fresk event is planned for Thursday 16th October at 6pm at Colne Muni for all Councillors, CEWG Members and business leaders. A large-scale climate change event will be held in November/December (date tbc) and materials produced to support longer term engagement. The findings report from this engagement programme will be considered at the next CEWG meeting.
- Annual Emissions Report. The 2023/24 Annual Emissions report has now been produced and will be considered by the Executive in September. Although emissions show a downward trend, this is mainly due to passive, external factors such as decarbonisation of the national grid. A detailed analysis report will be submitted to the next CEWG meeting.
- RecycleIT. RecycleIT specialise in sustainable IT solutions, offering services to both the
 public and private sectors. Their focus is on providing refurbished devices and effective ewaste management solutions. Additionally, they assist companies with carbon offsetting
 initiatives, aiming to reduce their environmental footprint on a national scale. They are a
 member of LancsCAN and keen to collaborate with partners on developing sustainable
 solutions.

9. Items for a Future Agenda

- Climate Change Action Plan
- Carbon Literacy Training
- · EV Charging Points
- Gib Hill
- Community Energy
- Community Heat Networks / Geothermal Energy
- Rossendale Visit

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

10. <u>Date of Next Meeting</u>

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 18th November, 2024 at 6.00 p.m.