

AGENDA

1. Minutes

Enc. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Working Group held on 23rd June 2025.

2. Lancashire Peat Partnership

To receive a presentation from Lancashire Peat Partnership -TBC

3. Localisation of the sustainable development goals

To receive a presentation from Stephen Sykes.

4. Discussion on Recent Engagement of CEWG with National Government

For CEWG members to review responses from the National Government on the following issues and agree on a way forward.

- i. Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government on Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).
 - ii. DEFRA on Sustainable Farming Incentive (SFI)
 - iii. DEFRA on Protection of Peat Lands
 - iv. DESNZ on North Sea oil and gas.
- (Apologies for the failure to forward these responses when they were received, as our secretarial support has been lost)

5. Confirmation that this Working Group will sign the Plant-based Treaty

Only positive affirmations were received after the last meeting, but a vote will be taken.

6. Update from the Economic Growth Team

- i. Verbal progress on providing EV chargers in Pendle Car Parks
- ii. Verbal update on ways forward on a reusable nappies campaign for Pendle
- iii. Verbal update progress on recruitment
- iv. Verbal update Peat Policy for Parish and Town Councils update

7. Lobbying our MP and HM Government on Climate Emergency Issues

To finalise and approve the agreed response to Jonathan Hinder and Ed Miliband on the proposal for the Walshaw Moor Energy Park and our potential suggestions for amendments to the Planning and Infrastructure Bill.

To agree on what additional issues to lobby Government for, if any.

8. Item for Noting

To offer our congratulations to Trawden Forest Primary School who not only achieved Big Gold for a garden they designed for the Southport Flower Show, but have achieved the RHS Level Five School Gardening Award and have been mentioned in the RHS

newsletter and featured in a slot on the BBC North West television news. The children in the school's gardening club and their teachers, Mrs Nelson and Mr Lomax, are exemplars of eco best practice and are willing to share their expertise with other schools.

9. Items for a future agenda

The following were suggested for inclusion on agendas for future meetings:

- Climate Engagement Programme Update (ongoing)
- Community Energy / Community Heat Networks / Rossendale Visit – a recent webinar has been shared
- Geothermal Energy opportunities in Pendle – for the new Climate Emergency Officer to take up
- Guest Speaker from Lancashire County Council's (LCC's) new Active Travel Team (invitation issued)
- Guest Speaker from LCC's Transport Team (invitation issued) to discuss integrated train, bus networks, perhaps with more freight on our railways
- An update from LCC on the progress of its Safer, Greener, Healthier Streets projects in Pendle
- Recycle IT
- Inviting a representative from the River Ribble Trust Tree Nursery in Pendle to hear about their work and how we can get involved
- Inviting the LCC officer responsible for Street Trees

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Monday, 15 December 2025 at 6.00 p.m.**