



YOU ARE INVITED TO A MEETING OF THE

CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

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

TO BE HELD
REMOTELY VIA MICROSOFT OFFICE TEAMS ON
16th MARCH 2026
AT 6.00 P.M.

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AGENDA

1. **Minutes** – 1 min

Enc. To consider the minutes of the meeting of the Working Group held on 19th January 2026.

2. **Welcome** – 1 min

3. **Guest Presentation** – 25 mins, +15 mins of questions

In-Situ Paul Hartley and Anna Taylor- Climate Lab Pendle engagement initiative 2026-2029, supported by Reaching Communities (National Lottery)-15mins +10 mins questions

Climate Programme Manager Clare Rainsford- Climate Change Strategy Next steps -10 mins +5 mins questions

4. **Priority Themes** –15 min

How CEWG is supporting Pendle’s Climate Emergency Strategy and the borough’s journey toward net zero.

Updates across core strategic themes:

Carbon Reduction & Energy	Transport & Mobility	Waste & Circular Economy	Nature & Biodiversity- Local Plan /BNG	Climate Adaptation & Resilience
PSDS4 - IF/CR	EV Charging Infrastructure Update -IB/CR	Lowering Glyphosate Usage -PR / CR	Reflection on Lancashire County Council’s Nature Recovery Strategy Update on Lancashire County Council’s Safer, Greener & Healthier Streets Project	Reflection on United Utilities presentation on dry weather impacts on the water network

5. **Sustainable Procurement** – 5 min

Policy proposal

- Embed environmental criteria into specifications, purchasing decisions, contracts to reduce environmental impact, support nature recovery and climate goals, supply chain progression to Net Zero and Scope 3 carbon emission data, social value. Support previous discussions on peat policy, glyphosate etc

6. **Community Engagement** – 15 min

- Proposal for structured Climate Communication plan to address strategic objectives.
- Community Engagement Ideas for 2026 aligned to CC strategic themes.
- Updates on public campaigns, youth engagement, business partnerships, and opportunities for residents to participate.
- Review of Climate Change website - research on other authority sites.

7. **Funding & Opportunities** – 5 min

- Overview of current grant applications, new funding streams, and regional collaboration opportunities.

8. **Central Government – Policy updates / Consultations & Correspondence** – 5 mins

- An update on the response from letters sent to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, Emma Reynolds, and the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government, Steven Reed on Climate Emergency Issues.
- Consideration of Portsmouth Council moratorium – single use plastic advertisements

[Portsmouth Council becomes 'first in the UK' to restrict ads for single use plastics | BusinessGreen News](#)

9. **Other guest speakers to be scheduled**

- Lancashire Peat Partnership
- Guest Speaker from Lancashire County Council's (LCC's) Active Travel Team
- Recycle IT
- Inviting the LCC officer responsible for Street Trees

10. **Items for Noting**

- Akincoats Nature Reserve - Natural England has approved its extension of an additional nine acres.
- Phill Riley and his team have gained the ability to cut the grass at Gib Hill Nature Reserve in order to encourage the growth of wildflowers. This work involved strengthening the various gateways between fields and improving drainage so tractors can now access them. The work was funded by both Nelson and Colne Town Councils. The Gib Hill Guardians continue to work with the schools that back onto the new Nature Reserve.
- Reusable Nappy Campaign – no current update, seeking collaborators will report back to Working Group.

11. **Date of Next Meetings**

Monday, 1st June at 6:00p.m

Monday, 20th July at 6.00 p.m.

Monday, 21st September at 6.00 p.m.

Monday, 16th November at 6.00 p.m