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MINUTES CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday 23rd August 2021, 19.00 Conference Room, Haddenham Village Hall and remotely via Zoom

In the room: Cllrs Ms. Garrett, Mr. Kidby, Mr. O'Hanlon (Chair,) Mr. Thawley, Mr. Smith

Deputy Clerk: Ms. Marsden **Members of Public:** None

Joining remotely via Zoom: Clerk and initially Mr Thawley

Members of the public: One

CE22 1 APOLOGIES

It was **NOTED** that there were some members of the committee missing without apologies and this may have been due to a change to an earlier time. As the meeting was quorate, it was continued and no apologies for absence were recorded.

CE22 2 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

It was **RESOLVED** that Mr Thawley would be elected Vice Chair.

CE22 3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

CE22 4 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

CE22 5 TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Terms of Reference.

CE22 6 TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR EACH WORK GROUP

It was **RESOLVED** to accept the Terms of Reference for each working group.

CE22 7 APPOINTMENT OF LEAD COUNCILLOR AS CHAIR OF EACH WORKING GROUP

It was **RESOLVED** to appoint the following Lead Councillors for each working group.

- Electric Car Adoption Mr Thawley
- The Food We Eat & The Food We Waste Ms Garrett
- Home Energy Mr Kidby
- Land Use Mr Smith

To **NOTE** Cllr Thawley, Cllr Kidby and Cllr Garrett arrived to join the meeting at 19.27.

CE22 8 CONSIDERATION OF CO-OPTION OF DICCON PROCTOR TO THE COMMITTEE It was **RESOLVED** to Co-opt Diccon Proctor onto the Committee.

CE22 9 TO NOTE THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY REPORT ADOPTED BY FULL COUNCIL

The Climate Emergency Report was duly **NOTED**. It was further **NOTED** an appreciation of the amount of work undertaken by the Chair to produce the report and its presentation to Haddenham Community Interests groups.

CE22 10 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON PROJECTED CO2e FOR HADDENHAM FOR 2030

Mr O'Hanlon gave an update on the situation in Haddenham and explained that the target for 2030 was ambitious and required the focus of specific projects which would the provide the best carbon reduction.

CE22 11 TO NOTE PROJECTS ALREADY IN THE PIPELINE

An update was received and **NOTED** regarding each project.

Electric Car Adoption

Mr Thawley and Mr O'Hanlon outlined the principals regarding both schemes Car Club Model 1-3B

In association with car hire company 3B. It will allow parishioners to hire an electric car at attractive rates which will make it a genuine alternative to car ownership for those who don't rely on their car for work or instead of a second car. The hire will be flexible allowing hourly and daily charges. There will be share vehicles located in areas around Haddenham. This scheme is being supported by Thame Green Living and a new Thame & Haddenham EV club will be launched at event in September.

Car Club Model 2 - Tesla approach

Tesla has been approached regarding the provision of electric cars where parishioners pay an annual fee for the use of the cars whenever needed. The idea is in development and would need the investment from Telsa to provide the necessary booking interface – such as an APP. The long-term objective is to reach a situation where each street has the appropriate ratio of cars to meet the travel needs of the residents in that area.

It was **NOTED** that these projects are still developing and consideration needs to be given to disabled residents who need their cars; the possibility of hydrogen cars and the carbon energy usage for battery disposal

The Food We Eat & The Food We Waste

Mr Proctor outlined some of the initiatives which are being put in place to change residents' behaviour in food waste and sustainable living.

Working with Hubbub and local charities to encourage areas such as composting, batch cooking and reduced carbon recipes. As part of the education – food trolley demonstrations have been set up the Vale Harvest which highlight the amount of food waste.

The allotments holders are part of the 'Grow to Give' scheme, where surplus produce are donated and collected for the Aylesbury Vineyard Food Bank.

Other initiatives include the trialing of food waste apps with interested residents undertaking pilots to see which one is the most useful.

It was **NOTED** that other organisations involved in this area are Bucks Food Partnership and WRAP.

Home Energy

Outlined were the different schemes available to improve the home energy of resident homes. This included working with commercial organisations who provide solar energy and have incentive schemes for local households / streets to get preferential rates when installed together. In addition, the scheme provides incentives of monetary donations on any orders received.

Examining government schemes and grants for the installation of renewable energy and insulation projects.

The Clerk gave information that the Parish Council were already working with Buckinghamshire Community Energy with the view to improving the energy requirements of the village hall and other community buildings.

It was **NOTED** that gas boilers will be not permitted in new homes from 2025 and heating will need to be provided via renewable heat sources / hydrogen boilers.

Land Use

The number of trees needed to offset the amount of carbon Haddenham produces is substantial and requires an ambitious approach.

There has been some progress with an area by the CALA development which will have a small wood and reLEAF have identified – with the parish council – a number of areas where tree planting will continue to take place.

To improve Haddenham's carbon footprint 150 ha of the flood plains that surround the parish boundary would need to be given over to forestation and re-wilding. This will require extensive liaison with landowners to advise them the business case of receiving carbon credits and being able to sell the timber after 25 years.

It was outlined that there are planting schemes being led by the Forestry Commission to provide trees for communities.

It was NOTED that other habitats such as wetlands and hedges also provide carbon reduction and should be included in any wilding schemes.

CE22 12 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

None.

CE22 13 CORRESPONDENCE

An email from NALC regarding Climate Emergency source material / case studies – Deputy Clerk agreed to re-circulate to committee members.

CE22 14 ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT AGENDA

No Agendas items added.

The next meeting was confirmed 6th December 2021 at 7.30pm

CLOSURE OF THE MEETINGThe meeting closed at 21.05

Signed:	Date: 29 th November 2021
Chair	