

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY SUB- COMMITTEE OF
WANTAGE TOWN COUNCIL HELD AT THE BEACON, PORTWAY, WANTAGE
ON MONDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 7.30 PM**

Committee members present: Councillors K Morris and P Kirby- Harris

Other councillors present: Councillors A Crawford
In the absence of the chair and vice-chair it was agreed that
Councillor Crawford would chair the meeting.

Others present: J Harvey – Sustainable Wantage
G Wilkin – Wantage & Grove Active Travel Group

Deputy Clerk: S Sanders

A. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors A Dunford, E Johnson, C Walters and V Wright

B. To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary interests, other registrable interests, and non-registrable interests.

None.

C. Statements and questions from the public

None.

D. Matters arising from the sub-committee meeting held on 8 January 2024

a) Update from Wantage and Grove Active Travel Group

Guy Wilkin gave a verbal update on the group's projects and activities.
The draft proposal for the signposting of walking/cycling route to be sent to Wantage Town
Council for review. **Action: Wilkin**

Councillor Crawford to investigate funding from the Shared UK Rural Prosperity Fund for
health & active travel. **Action: Crawford**

b) Update from Sustainable Wantage

Jo Harvey gave a verbal update. She reported that due to staffing issues the community fridge
would not be opening at The Cornerstone, Grove. Solar Streets scheme had folded but
Sustainable Wantage were helping with obtaining quotes for people who were interested in
installing solar panels.

c) Update on letters to David Johnston MP regarding sewage in river water and sustainable
building projects.

The letters had not yet been drafted. **Action: Chair/Dunford**

d) Update on emergency planning.

The document provided by Councillor Morris had been circulated to members.
It was agreed to move the item to the PM&F committee. **Action: Clerk**

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E. Purchase of an IBC to be sited at Manor Road Memorial Park

It was agreed that an IBC be purchased to a value of £100. **Action: Deputy Clerk**

F. Earth Day Event 20 April 2024

a) To receive an update from the working group and actions from the last meeting

The working group had not yet met. A date was to be agreed in the next few days.

Action: Chair

b) To agree a budget for the event

The budget for the event was to be discussed at the working group meeting. **Action: Chair**

c) To agree the content of the event promotion flyer

The flyer content/design was to be agreed at the working group meeting. **Action: Chair**

G. Review of Action Plan and prioritisation

There was no update.

Action: Chair

H. Items for the next meeting 6 June 2024

None.

The meeting closed at

8.30 pm
