

MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 3RD JULY 2023, 6.45PM, AT ST MARK'S CHURCH, 13 ST MARK'S CRESCENT, KINGSTHORPE, NN2 8EG

PRESENT: Cllrs, Steve Miller, Eluned Lewis-Nichol, Titus Ajayi

ALSO PRESENT: Sarah Wrighton (Deputy Parish Clerk) Jon Cornwell (resident)

ABSENT: Cllr Dilip Kumar

30/23 ELECTION OF A CHAIR

Cllr S Miller elected as chair, Cllr Ajayi nominated, Cllr Lewis-Nichols seconded, and unanimously resolved

31/23 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Dilip Kumar unable to attend due to travelling from work. Apologies accepted.

32/23 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS AND APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None declared

33/23 ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIR

Cllr Lewis Nichol nominated by Cllr Ajayi, seconded by Cllr Miller, and unanimously resolved

34/23 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr Miller, seconded by Cllr Ajayi, and unanimously resolved that these be accepted as a true and correct record of the proceedings of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th May 2023

35/23 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC

None

36/23 CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT ELECTED COUNCILLORS TO ASSIST WITH THE WORK OF THE GROUP

It was proposed by Cllr Miller, seconded by Cllr Lewis-Nichols, and unanimously resolved that Mr Jon Cornwell is co-opted on to the Climate Change and Environment Committee

37/23 ACTION LOG

Outstanding items are already on the agenda so to be discussed during the meeting

38/23 5 TREES FOR KINGSTHORPE GROVE

Cllr Miller explained that the committee had funding for 5 trees from the Jubilee Canopy and that it was previously discussed to donate these to Kingsthorpe Grove School to mitigate pollution from Kingsthorpe Grove Road. Cllr Miller proposed, and Cllr Lewis-Nichols seconded and unanimously resolved to follow up with KGPS and see if they are interested. Deputy Clerk to follow up

39/23 CAR PARK CHARGE POINTS

Discussed list of Kingsthorpe car parks and if any are interested in installing car charge points. Some interested if funded, many said too small or difficulties parking or locked gates at night. Deputy Clerk to follow up with WNC to see if funds are available, and if they are partnered with anyone for installing charge points. To check out if WNC hold spaces in Kingsthorpe shopping centre car park, and if would consider installations on High Street behind Gallones and at the top of Bective Road. Also continue to check with ASDA and Waitrose car parks and Texaco garage

40/23 AMEY CONTRACTS WITH SCHOOLS

Deputy Clerk to reach out to schools and ask if it was helpful for us to support them in installing trees and plants due to some possible resistance from AMEY. To then consider if this is due to ongoing cost and approach AMEY / WNC

41/23 CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN

To be deferred until September meeting, Cllrs Miller and Lewis-Nichol will send CCAP to SW to distribute ready for Councillors to consider for the next meeting

42/23 AIR QUALITY REPORTS

AQMA report discussed. Cllr Lewis-Nichols explained that Kingsthorpe was one of the worst results in Northampton, particularly around The Cock Inn / Mill Lane junction. Some concerns that WHO guidance from 2005 was referred to rather than updated WHO guidance from 2020 and that the area being expanded is now much smaller, despite new concerns from traffic coming from the new relief road which will divert into Kingsthorpe

43/23 CYCLE RACKS

Cllr Miller proposed, and Cllr Ajayi seconded and unanimously resolved that all 6 primary schools in the area are approached and asked if they would be interested in £300 funding each for cycle racks

44/24 CAR IDLING CAMPAIGN

Cllr Miller proposed, Cllr Ajayi seconded and unanimously resolved that 6 Banners at approximately £60 each are funded to be put up outside schools

45/23 FEEDBACK FROM WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

None received. Discussed issuing certificates from KPC. Feedback to be sought from participating schools

46/23 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Noted as Monday 4th September 2023, 6.45 pm at St Mark’s Church, Kingsthorpe.

Meeting ended at 8pm

Signed.....Date.....

Chair