# Lowestoft Town Council Climate Emergency and Ecological Committee

## For the attention of all Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Climate Emergency and Ecological Committee of Lowestoft Town Council at 15:30 on 17 October 2022, at First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE.

The meeting is open to the public and press to attend and those attending the meeting shall be informed that the meeting may be reported on (including recording, photographing and filming). This does not apply to confidential items. Comments can also be submitting regarding any item on the agenda in advance of the meeting. Members of the public can join the meeting remotely via the following link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81507925509">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81507925509</a>. The meeting can also be observed via YouTube on the following link: <a href="https://youtu.be/4MFY2V8jSls">https://youtu.be/4MFY2V8jSls</a>.

In providing any comments members of the public accept that, where they are suitable, they may be considered at the meeting and published in our minutes. Any individual submitting the comments should ensure that their name, address and contact details are included in their communication and should note that anonymous submissions will not be accepted. Members of the public accept that their name may be noted and recorded at the meeting. However, their contact details will not be noted and reported publicly.

Councillors must register relevant interests and declare them at a meeting if they have such an interest in a matter to be considered. Under the Localism Act 2011, a councillor with **relevant interests** in matters on the Agenda cannot take part or vote on those matters, unless they have been granted a dispensation. Under the Council's Code of Conduct, a councillor must leave the meeting room if they have such an interest, unless they have been granted a dispensation. There may be other interests or matters in which councillors might be considered to be biased or predetermined in which case they will need to consider whether they should leave the room.

The Council has a duty to pay due regard to preventing crime and disorder and to conserve biodiversity as part of relevant decisions.

To help prevent the spread of infectious diseases, all attendees should consider the safety of others, make their own risk assessment of the advisability of attending and consider measures they should take to ensure their own safety.

Shona Bendix, Clerk
10 October 2022

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### **AGENDA**

#### 71. Welcome

To explain the fire evacuation procedure, welcome the meeting, and remind councillors and members of the public of the right to report.

- 72. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence
- 73. Declarations of Interests and dispensations
- 73.1. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda.
- 73.2. To consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and note dispensations granted.
- 74. To consider the draft minutes of the meetings on 2 August 2022 and 25 August 2022
- 75. Public forum

An opportunity for the public to make comments on any matters on this agenda, and to consider any advance comments from the public.

- 76. To appoint the second non-Councillor member to the Climate Emergency and Ecological Committee
- 77. To monitor expenditure by this Committee from the climate emergency budget, under delegated authority
- 78. To consider making recommendations to the Budget and Loan Sub-Committee regarding the 2023 2024 Climate Emergency and Ecological Budget
- 79. To consider a recommendation from the Personnel Committee for the budget for staff travel expenses to sit under the Climate Emergency budget
- 80. To consider any matters to raise with Cllr James Mallinder (East Suffolk Council's Cabinet Member for the Environment) and/or the Environment and Waste Working Group, and to receive feedback on any matters previously raised, including the following:
  - 80.1. A proposal from the Environment and Waste Working Group regarding bulky waste collection to target fly tipping
  - 80.2. The North Beach pollution risk warning issued by the Environment Agency
  - 80.3. Requesting water bottle refill stations along the seafront
  - 80.4. Requesting recycling bins along the seafront
- 81. To consider the following recommendations from the Assets, Inclusion and Development Committee:
- 81.1. For expenditure to install kittiwake ledges on the Marina Theatre (maximum budget of £3,000 approved by the Assets, Inclusion and Development Committee) to be taken from the Climate Emergency budget
- 81.2. For expenditure to purchase twelve hedgehog houses and insect hotels for allotment sites (maximum budget of £200 approved by the Assets, Inclusion and Development Committee) to be taken from the Climate Emergency budget
- 82. To receive an update regarding liaison with Peter Aldous MP on Lowestoft's Blue Flag status
- 83. To receive a report on the work of the Lowestoft Kittiwake Partnership to date, with

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additional feedback from the 'Seabirds on the Move' Urban Kittiwake Conference

- 84. To consider the Community Benefit Fund consultation for Hornsea Three
- 85. To consider a schedule of works for assessing and reducing the Town Council's carbon footprint
- 86. To consider asking Councillors to voluntarily provide details of their mileage for carrying out Council duties, to be used for the purpose of helping to calculate the Town Council's carbon footprint
- 87. To consider any methods of water conservation
- 88. To consider a request from the YMCA for a member of the Climate Emergency and Ecological Committee to speak with a group of youths regarding how Lowestoft Town Council is addressing the climate emergency
- 89. To consider whether the Town Council should declare itself an Earth Protector Town
- 90. To consider joining the Nuclear Free Local Authorities network
- 91. To note Suffolk County Council's consultation on changes to waiting restrictions and movement restrictions with Lowestoft town centre, including to note the Planning Committee's response to the consultation on behalf of the Town Council
- **92.** Date of the next meeting 21 November 2022 15:30
- 93. Items for the next agenda and close
- 94. To resolve that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, namely any legal issues relating to the matters on this agenda