Lowestoft Town Council Climate and Ecological Emergency Committee

For the attention of all Committee Members

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Climate and Ecological Emergency Committee of Lowestoft Town Council at 15:30 on 19 June 2023, 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: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85454677894. The meeting can also be observed via YouTube on the following link: https://youtu.be/mOwWv6mB0Jw.

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.



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AGENDA

20. Welcome

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

- 21. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence
- 22. Declarations of Interests and dispensations
 - 22.1. To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from councillors on items on the Agenda
 - 22.2. To consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and note dispensations granted
- 23. To consider the draft minutes of the meeting on 25 May 2023

24. 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.

- 25. To monitor expenditure by this Committee from the climate emergency budget, under delegated authority
- 26. To receive the notes of the standalone zoom meeting on 8 June 2023 and consider the following:
 - 26.1. The adoption of a new agenda format
 - 26.2. To formally accept the new escalation process to Cllr Caroline Topping
 - 26.3. To recommend resuming quarterly meetings with East Suffolk Council
- 27. To consider extending an invitation to Cllr Caroline Topping (or a cabinet member on her behalf) to meet with the Climate & Ecological Emergency Committee, either in-person at a schedule Committee meeting or via a stand-alone zoom meeting
- 28. To note that the East Suffolk Cabinet Member for the Environment is now Cllr Rachel Smith-Lyte
- 29. To consider any matters to raise with Cllr Caroline Topping (East Suffolk Council Leader with responsibility for Parish Liaison) and/or the Environment and Waste Group, and to receive feedback on any matters previously raised
- 30. To receive an update regarding liaison with Peter Aldous MP on Lowestoft's Blue Flag status
- 31. To consider the Town Council's ethical stance regarding its energy supply
- 32. To receive an update on the provision of water bottler refill stations and refill schemes

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- 33. To receive an update regarding advice on the use of chlorine as a risk management measure for water storage
- 34. To receive an update on Earth Protector activities undertaken by the schools and East Suffolk College
- 35. To receive an update on public engagement with the climate and ecological emergency through the climate change mural launch and the Kittiwake Partnership open day
- 36. To consider cleaning arrangements for London Road North
- 37. To receive an update from the Lowestoft Kittiwake Partnership Agreement
- 38. Date of the next meeting

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- 18. Items for the next agenda and close
- 19. 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