

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 20 January 2025, at **First Floor, Hamilton House, Battery Green Road, Lowestoft, Suffolk, NR32 1DE.**

The meeting is held in accessible premises and open to the public and press to attend.

Those attending 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/85209026319>. The meeting can also be observed via YouTube on the following link: <https://youtu.be/STBFLnaifac>.

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.

Best wishes,

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Sarah Foote, Acting Town Clerk

17 January 2025

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AGENDA

110. Welcome

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

111. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence

112. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

112.1.To receive declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary, Other Registerable and Non-Registerable Interests from members on items on the Agenda

112.2.To consider written requests for dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and note dispensations granted

113. To consider the draft minutes of the meeting on 16 December 2024

114. 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.

115. Finance and Budget

115.1.To monitor expenditure by this Committee from the climate emergency budget, under delegated authority

116. To consider the following matter to raise with the appropriate East Suffolk Council Cabinet member:

116.1.Obtain information from the Local Planning Authority on what Government Housing Targets, which override Local Planning Authorities, mean in practical terms of planning and climate perspectives

117. To consider issues relating to the energy and water supply of the built environment of Lowestoft and relevant actions:

117.1.Discuss the decision by National Grid to build pylons as opposed to laying underground cables through Waveney Valley and whether to support Suffolk County Council's opposition to the proposal

118. To consider issues relating to waste and pollution:

118.1.The climate implications of building demolition, in light of current demolitions taking place in Lowestoft

119. To consider avenues of community engagement and relevant actions:

119.1.Discuss inviting Jess Asato MP to speak with the Climate and Ecological Emergency Committee regarding Lowestoft's coastal defences

119.2.Receive an update on the litter pick for 8 February 2025

119.3.Discuss Lowestoft Town Council convening a public meeting to ascertain public views on reduction in traffic speeds in set areas of Lowestoft

120. To review the following policies and provide feedback to Full Council:

120.1.Investment Policy (section 2.5)

120.2.Town Infrastructure Investment Plan (Community Infrastructure needs and/or aspirations)

121. Date of the next meeting

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122. Items for the next agenda and close

123. 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