

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 21 October 2024, 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/83766086545>. The meeting can also be observed via YouTube on the following link: <https://youtu.be/yzeKcMed7Bk>.

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
14 October 2024

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AGENDA

65. Welcome

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

66. To receive and consider approval of apologies for absence

67. Declarations of Interests and dispensations

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

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

68. To consider the draft minutes of the meeting on 23 September 2024

69. 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.

70. Finance and Budget

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

71. To consider the following in relation to the Earth Protector Town Status of Lowestoft Town Council and relevant actions:

71.1. To consider requesting a meeting with Excelsior Trust to discuss their recent trip (some aspects may be confidential)

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

72.1. Possible locations for the annual climate event and further deliberation on the merits of the event being held on the same weekend as the First Light Festival

72.2. To agree organisations to approach to join the Plastic Free Communities Steering Group (confidential)

72.3. The litter picking event and required permissions

73. To consider the natural environment with regards to Lowestoft's parks and open spaces and other ecology related matters, and relevant actions:

73.1. The Wash tidal barrier and its effect on the coastline

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

74.1. Discuss the Direct Air Capture facility

75. To consider public transport and alternative methods of travel and relevant actions:

75.1. Note the convening of the Public Transport Working Group and consider if delegations are required to submit the Scheme On A Page document

75.2. To receive an update on the results of the Bus Usage Survey

75.3. To consider participation in Suffolk's next Local Transport Plan to 2040

76. Date of the next meeting

Monday 19 November 2024 – 15:30

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- 77. Items for the next agenda and close**

- 78. 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**