

MINUTES OF CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

30 JUNE 2021

PRESENT:

Members of the Working Group: Councillors Roberts (Chair), Brader, Mrs Crane, McQueen, Picker and Roodhouse

Officers: Dan Green (Deputy Executive Director), Michelle Dickson (Chief Officer for Communities and Homes), Bill Winter (Asset Maintenance Team Leader) and Veronika Beckova (Democratic Services Officer)

In attendance: Representative from RPS

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR

RESOLVED THAT – Councillor Roberts be appointed Chair of the Working Group for the 2021/22 municipal year.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 4 March 2021 were approved.

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received from Councillor Mrs O'Rourke and the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment.

4. CONSULTANCY WORK PROGRESS UPDATE AND UPDATE ON THE LAD SCHEME

The Working Group considered the briefing paper from the Asset Maintenance Team Leader concerning:

- a progress update on the work of the council's appointed Climate Change consultant, RPS on baselining of the council's CO₂ emissions, production of a strategy and a delivery plan (a representative from RPS was present at the meeting to give a short presentation and answer questions); and
- an update on the Local Authority Delivery (LAD) Scheme following a detailed report to Cabinet on 7 June 2021.

In relation to the work undertaken by the council's appointed Climate Change consultant, RPS, a request was made for the findings report to be presented to the Working Group as soon as available.

5. ACT ON ENERGY – ENERGY ADVICE AND SUPPORT SUMMARY 2019/20

The Working Group received a presentation from the Chief Officer for Communities and Homes on the energy advice and support provided by Act on Energy to Rugby residents during 2019/20. Data for 2020/21 was only available up to September 2020 and therefore had been discounted at this point.

6. UPDATE ON AGREED WORKSTREAMS

The Working Group considered the briefing paper from the Deputy Executive Director concerning an update on the workstreams agreed at previous meetings.

Recommendations listed in the briefing paper were considered and agreed by the Working Group. A forward plan based on previously agreed workstreams and further workstreams agreed at tonight's meeting would be developed by the Deputy Executive Director.

7. FUTURE MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

It was agreed that meetings of the Working Group for the remainder of the 2021/22 municipal year would be arranged by email and scheduled an average of six weeks apart.

CHAIR