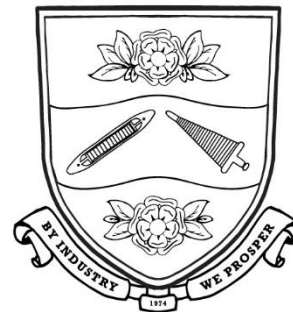


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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE Held in the Cockcroft Room, Todmorden Town Hall, Bridge Street, Todmorden, on Wednesday 1 September 2021 at 7:30 pm

**Councillors Present:** The Revd G Kent (Chair), Cllr M Taylor, Cllr J Williams, and Cllr M Holmstedt (substituting for Cllr R Coleman-Taylor)

**Absent Councillors:** Cllr R Coleman-Taylor (Vice-Chair), Cllr P Ripley, Cllr L Thorpe and Cllr P Taylor

**Observing Councillors (not a member of the committee):** None

**Officers:** Mrs S Miles, Assistant Town Clerk (minute taker) Mr C Hill, Town Clerk (Items 13 and 14) and Mrs N Pugh, Administration Officer (item 11)

**Members of the Public:** None

<b>2021(CEC)015</b>	<p><b><u>Item 1. Apologies for Absence</u></b> To receive and approve apologies for absence and reasons given to the Clerk prior to the meeting</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr the Revd G Kent And Seconded by Cllr J Williams Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> That the apologies and the reasons given be accepted, namely that Cllr R Coleman-Taylor and Cllr L Thorpe were unable to attend because of illness and Cllr P Taylor was engaged on other business.</p>
<b>2021(CEC)016</b>	<p><b><u>Item 2. Declarations of Interests</u></b> To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting. Officers are required to make a formal declaration about council contracts where the employee has a financial interest.</p> <p><i>None Declared</i></p>
<b>2021(CEC)017</b>	<p><b><u>Item 3. Public Participation</u></b> To adjourn the meeting to allow members of the public to make representation on the business of the agenda for the meeting. Note: No resolutions can be under public participation.</p> <p><i>No public present</i></p>

Signed Chair: .....

Dated: 27 October 2021

2021(CEC)018	<p><b><u>Item 4. Minutes</u></b></p> <p>To approve the draft minutes of the Climate Emergency Committee held on 10 February 2021.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr G Kent      And Seconded by Cllr J Williams      Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:</b> <i>That the draft minutes of the Climate Emergency Committee meeting held on 10 February 2021 be approved (providing a minor change to the meeting membership be made) as a true record of proceedings.</i></p>
2021(CEC)019	<p><b><u>Item 5. Exclusion of Press and Public - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960</u></b></p> <p>To consider and confirm any agenda items that require the exclusion of the Press and Public in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 for matters appertaining to confidential or exempt information.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr G Kent      and Seconded by Cllr J Williams      Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>That the agenda items for the meeting do not require the exclusion of the press and public and that they be allowed to remain for the duration of the meeting.</i></p>
2021(CEC)020	<p><b><u>Item 6. Climate Emergency Grant Application Form – Decision Required</u></b></p> <p>To receive and approve a proposed application form</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr M Holmstedt      and Seconded by Cllr M Taylor      Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>Subject to some changes agreed at the meeting that the application form be approved and implemented.</i></p>
2021(CEC)021	<p><b><u>Item 7. Draft Letter to Mayor Of West Yorkshire About Hydro Electric Power – Decision Required.</u></b></p> <p>To receive and approve a draft letter.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr J Williams      and Seconded by Cllr M Taylor      Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>Subject to some amendments agreed at the meeting the draft letter be approved and issued (together with copies of the CEC Policy, action plan and the Moorlands Policy).</i></p>
2021(CEC)022	<p><b><u>Item 8. Climate Pledge Presentation by Cllr M Holmstedt – Decision Required</u></b></p> <p>To receive a presentation and a Draft Climate Pledge for approval.</p> <p>The draft pledge was warmly received and suggestions were made for it to be launched at the Mayor Making Day (16 October 2021) and the public meeting on flooding (1 November 2021).</p>

	<p><i>Proposed by Cllr M Taylor and Seconded by Cllr the Revd G Kent Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>To receive the presentation. Cllr M Holmstedt agreed to add further items to the pledge and to categorise the list. The document and launch to be an agenda item at an upcoming Full Council meeting.</i></p>
2021(CEC)023	<p><b><u>Item 9. Revisiting Calderdale Council's Recycling Policy – For Information</u></b></p> <p>To receive and review this policy</p> <p>There was considerable discussion about Calderdale Council's Plastic Recycling Policy. Questions were raised about the accountability of actions arising from the policy, including concern that the recycling waste from some councils is being dumped in countries such as Vietnam and Thailand.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr M Taylor and Seconded by Cllr the Revd G Kent Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>To receive Calderdale Council's Recycling Policy and to keep it under review. Also, to consider extending the examination of the policy to include the recycling of other items, not just plastic. To review the policy again in around 18 months once the current CEC action plan is well underway.</i></p>
2021(CEC)024	<p><b><u>Item 10. Action Plan Priorities- For Information</u></b></p> <p>To receive the Action Plan and discuss priorities</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr the Revd G Kent and Seconded by Cllr M Taylor Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>To receive the Action Plan and to keep this item as a standing item on the agenda.</i></p>
2021(CEC)025	<p><b><u>Item 11. Public Event – Action on Flooding - Decision Required</u></b></p> <p>To receive a paper concerning a proposed public event to inform and mobilise community action around flood mitigation.</p> <p>There was considerable discussion about this item including which organisations to involve.</p> <p><i>Proposed by Cllr M Taylor and Seconded by Cllr J Williams Unanimous</i></p> <p><b>RESOLVED:-</b></p> <p><i>To receive the paper and to give the support of the CEC to the Mayor's involvement in this event and to award a budget of £750 towards costs associated with the event.</i></p>
2021(CEC)026	<p><b><u>Item 12. Correspondence</u></b></p> <p>To receive and consider any items of correspondence for consideration.</p> <p>None received</p>

	<p><b><u>PRIVATE ITEMS 13 AND 14</u></b>  Confidential on the grounds that, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted, if the public were present, there would be a disclosure to them of exempt information within the meaning of schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.</p>
2021(CEC)027	<p><b><u>Item 13. Climate Emergency Staffing – For Information</u></b>  To receive an update from the Town Clerk</p> <p>Update given.</p>
2021(CEC)028	<p><b><u>Item 14. Local Delivery</u></b>  To receive a verbal update from the Town Clerk about a commercially sensitive proposal ahead of a Presentation to Full Council.</p> <p>Update given.</p>
2021(CEC)027	<p><b><u>Item 15. To Agree Agenda for Next Climate Emergency Informal Meeting</u></b>  Items for the next meeting to be notified to the clerk.</p> <p>Items include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action plan priorities</li> </ul>
2021(CEC)028	<p><b><u>Item 16. Date of Next Committee Meeting</u></b>  The date of the next Climate Emergency Committee Meeting is Wednesday 27 October 2021 at 7.30pm.</p> <p>There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 9 pm</p>