



TODMORDEN TOWN COUNCIL

Item 9 – Town Council 16<sup>th</sup> June  
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## REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL

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<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>Climate Emergency Committee Discretionary Grants Budget</b>

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To seek from Town Council approval to establish a budget of £2,500 to enable a small grant awards scheme to be introduced specifically to applicants focussing on Climate based initiatives.
2. To recommend that the Climate Emergency Committee be given delegated powers to determine their own conditions, including maximum amount to be awarded and qualifying criteria for the award of such climate related grants and to authorise payment of such awards within the budget allocated.
3. To advise Members that such awards would not be in addition to any award made relating to Climate Emergency that the Resources Committee may consider or be used as contribution towards such an application to the Resources Committee.

### BACKGROUND

4. As the Climate Emergency Committee moves toward delivery of its proposed action plan Members have recognised that there is an opportunity to stimulate interest by introducing a small grant scheme specifically related to Climate related issues.
5. The Committee will need to work up the detail of such a proposal and to determine just what areas of climate related activity they will wish to support.
6. This will also form part of the workplan of any proposed new Climate Officer position as determined in due course.

### RECOMMENDATION

7. That Town Council approves a budget of £2,500 to be established.

8. That the Climate Emergency Committee be given delegated powers to introduce and implement a Climate related discretionary grant scheme and to authorise such payments to be made by the Climate Emergency Committee within an approved budget.

#### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

9. Town Council approval is required to introduce an additional discretionary grant scheme, establish a budget for such a purpose and delegate powers for the Climate Emergency Committee to administer such a scheme.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

10. This is a new policy and will in due course need to be brought back to Town Council for formal approval.

#### **DETAILS OF CONSULTATION:**

16. None from this report.

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE:**

17. This will enable some “pump priming” of climate related small projects to be considered and local based initiatives to be supported.

#### **IMPACT EQUALITY ASSESSMENT**

18. None arising from this report.

#### **SUPPORTING PAPERS:**

19. **None**

**FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: Colin Hill**