

TECHNICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP MEETING NOTES

Date and Time: Tuesday 25th January 2022, 15:00

Place: Teams Virtual Meeting

Present:

Cllr David Neighbour	- DN
Cllr Alan Oliver	- AO
Cllr Steve Forster	- SF
Cllr Alex Drage	- AD
Cllr Dr Anne Crampton	- AC
Cllr Gill Butler	- GB
Peter Summersell	- PS
John Elson	- JE
Katy Sherman	- KS
Alex Massie (Eunomia)	- AM
Tamsin Briggs (Friends of the Earth)	- TB

Item		Action
1.0	Introduction and apologies Apologies received from Cllr James Radley and Wilf Hardy.	
2.0	Notes form previous meeting None	
3.0	Net Zero Carbon Pathway (Eunomia)	
3.1	AM, Technical Advisor from Eunomia delivered a presentation. Eunomia won the tender process to help deliver Hart's Climate Change Emergency initiatives and targets. AM highlighted Hart's 2035 Operational Targets which are emissions associated with the council's own activities. He also said his team are looking at what should be included and not included in scope three emissions, for example, waste, purchasing and commuting etc. AM also discussed the 2040 district wide targets and showed the group a project timeline.	
3.2	AO requested that the timeline include review meetings and engagements with the working groups. AM to get a colleague to liaise with PS on this.	AM/PS
3.3	SF asked how compatible this timeline would/could be with	

	Hampshire County Council and its own Climate Change initiatives. ACTION - AM to confirm to PS if they are using the Greenhouse Gases reporting approach. PS to accept further questions on the reporting approach and Eunomia in general via email.	AM ALL
4.0	Carbon Literacy Training	
4.1	PS gave a short update on the Carbon Literacy training and reminded the group he had sent the PowerPoint slides via email. Staff will receive updates from this training via the staff newsletter and staff briefings.	
4.2	AO asked PS for more information on the accreditation and the requirements to gain this. PS confirmed that he had sent accreditation information via email and two actions are required – an individual and a group one.	
4.3	The group gave feedback on how they found the training. DN and AD found the sessions very engaging and productive and reflected that this information should be at the heart of all the council's decision-making processes. SF said he found the sessions to be too slow and basic. ACTION - PS to feedback this information to Rachel and the team.	PS
4.4	ACTION - PS and DN to discuss the group action for the accreditation.	PS & DN
4.5	SF commented he would have liked to see a feedback questionnaire offered after the training as there was not one. JE was surprised as there is usually and will look at this for future training.	
4.6	The group discussed the benefits and costs of having the accreditation.	
5.0	Communication update	
5.1	KS, Communications and Engagement officer for Leisure and	

	<p>Countryside explained her role and how she wanted to help highlight the group's projects, training, achievements etc.</p> <p>KS also reported that she aligns her comms planner with national dates. For example, the council will be highlighting the national Big Energy Saving Week at the end of January. KS asked the group to send her examples of their work and possible good energy saving examples and initiatives that other councils use.</p> <p>JE explained that there is currently a lack of resource in the council's comms which they are looking at addressing in the near future.</p>	
5.2	AO and GB suggested allocating some of the future climate change budget on boosting communications and also on resources to change behaviour. This would be important to meet district wide targets.	
5.3	<p>The group briefly questioned how the council communicates with Hart residents on Climate Change and energy saving schemes.</p> <p>AC mentioned she had recently attended HVA's AGM.</p> <p>ACTION - KS to get in touch with HVA.</p>	KS
6.0	Energy Efficiency	
6.1	<p>PS explained that SF had highlighted to him the use of Thermal Imaging Cameras after a resident had had a good experience using one.</p> <p>The group liked the idea and SF mentioned that there are grants available to purchase these from Hampshire County Council.</p> <p>PS Advised that contact had been make with Hampshire County Council and we would not be eligible for funding for this scheme.</p> <p>AC highlighted that Farnborough College had completed studies on Thermal Imaging Cameras.</p> <p>ACTION – PS to find out more about setting up Thermal Imaging loan scheme for Hart District Council residence.</p>	PS
7.0	Update Hart Climate Change Action Plan	
	PS explained that the Green Homes Grant scheme was now available to residents and a press release had been published to	

	convey this. The Council has secured a grant of £200,000. This is for low-income households or those living in a reduced energy rating property.	
	The group briefly discussed the current delays with waste and recycling collections.	
	PS and JE highlighted that the Local Walking and Cycling Infrastructure plan has been delayed due to a lack of resource at Hampshire County Council. ACTION – JE to talk to SLT about Hart taking the lead on this plan.	JE
	The group discussed HVO fuel. SF explained how Hampshire County Council are using it.	
	PS updated the group on the latest biodiversity grants and plans for EV charging points. PS is meeting with parking this week to discuss EV points being introduced to Hart Leisure Centre. He also highlighted Frogmore Leisure Centre. SF declared that he had a declaration of interest regarding EV points.	
8.0	AOB	
	The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 22 nd March – time tbc.	
	TB asked for an update on a response to her Friends of the Earth letter. ACTION – DN to respond.	DN
	SF highlighted that Hampshire County Council has a grant for enhanced cycle and work placed parking and queried if the Council could make an application. ACTION - JE to investigate the feasibility of this grant.	JE

Meeting ended at 16:23.