

**A MEETING OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE BOARD
WAS HELD ON 10 MARCH 2022**

Councillors Burgess (Substituting for Jessop), Mrs Huggins, Bateman, Chegwyn, Earle, Hylands, Johnston, Meenaghan, Mitchell, Mrs Morgan, Scard and Casey (Substituting for Carter)

71. APOLOGIES FOR NON ATTENDANCE

Apologies for non attendance were received from Councillor Jessop who was substituted by Councillor Burgess, and Councillor Carter who was substituted by Councillor Casey.

72. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none

73. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF THE CLIMATE CHANGE BOARD

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January be signed as a true and correct record with the following amendment on page 4:

Members discussed the need for an amendment to remove the placeholder statement, but none was proposed *as Officers advised at the time that it was not necessary.*

74. DEPUTATIONS

There were none

75. PUBLIC QUESTIONS- STANDING ORDER 3.5

There were none

76. UPDATED CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN

Consideration was given to a report by the Head of Corporate Policy and Community Safety regarding the Climate Change Action Plan.

In answer to a Members' question, the Board were advised that Climate Emergency UK is a coalition of organisations campaigning on Climate Change issues, who have been talking to Local Authorities for many years to determine methods of strategy benchmarking and identify good practice. This organisation had consulted with Councils and had Local Authority Councillors sitting on the steering committee. Officers agreed to provide the Board with more information on the make-up and expertise of the organisation.

Members were advised that the Gosport Borough Council Draft Local Plan includes policies concerned with sustainability, and Officers have met to discuss how the action plan can influence the content of the Local Plan. The consultation for the Local Plan is ongoing. A

Member hoped that with the removal of solar panels from the plan, and nothing as ambitious in its place, that the 2023 target could still be met.

RESOLVED: That the Board noted the progress update in the report and approved the Climate Change Action Plan.

77. PROGRESS ON CLIMATE CHANGE MOTION AND UPDATE TO CLIMATE CHANGE BOARD WORK PROGRAMME

Consideration was given to a report by the Climate Change Officer regarding the progress on the Climate Change Motion and an update to the Climate Change Board work programme.

Officers advised that the wording of the resolution in the motion was to only to report on the pensions plan and investment portfolio. It was agreed to provide an updated statement of holding by the next Board meeting.

In response to Members' questions, Officers agreed to circulate the letter that had been sent to the UK Government in November 2020 and to chase a response.

RESOLVED: That the Board noted the progress update, and approved the change to the Climate Change Board's work programme set out in the report

78. ANY OTHER ITEMS

CHAIRMAN

Concluded at 6.30 pm