

**A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD
WAS HELD ON 4 MARCH 2020**

Councillors Mrs Batty, Burgess, Casey, Earle, Farr, Hammond, Mrs Hook, Mrs Huggins, Hutchison, Hylands, Jessop, Mitchell, Mrs Morgan, Murphy and Westerby

Part II Minutes

37. REFERRAL OF MOTION FROM FULL COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION

The Climate Change Motion was presented to the Board. Proposed by Councillor Johnston and seconded by Councillor Pepper

The Climate Change working group had felt that in line with the Council resolution, the motion should be considered by the Board.

Councillor Bateman was invited to address the Board.

He advised that he was offering his personal views and was not representing the views of the Working Group that he chaired. He advised that he believed that the strategy previously agreed, covered the points of the motion.

He felt that the working group had been unable to consider the motion as the proposer of it was not present.

He provided the Board with an overview of the Climate Change Working Group and proposals to date, including the setting up of the working group and the development of the strategy. He advised the Board that links had been made with Hampshire County Council and that the lead officer had been establishing a carbon baseline for future planning purposes and coordinating the recruitment of a climate change officer.

The Board was advised that the Climate Change Working Group had met and developed the strategy which had subsequently been agreed by the Policy and Organisation Board along with the proposal for the associated action plan and establishing how the Working Group would oversee and support the workings of the strategy. It had been agreed by the Policy and Organisation Board that the Group and Climate Change be designated a function of the Community Board and possibly its own Board, to be discussed later on the agenda.

The recruitment of a Climate Change officer had begun and the baseline and the establishment of the baseline carbon data was ongoing as this was needed to measure the effectiveness of the plan.

The working group has begun to look at initiatives like the free refill stations and were examining the Greening campaign in more detail. They were also looking at ways to work with Hampshire County Council to reach out into communities. The Council also had a representative on the

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progress the working group, the strategy and the action plan and that links had been established with Eastleigh Borough Council as they had provided some useful training resources.

Councillor Bateman expressed disappointment that the group had previously worked with unanimity and had been working well apolitically, but this seemed to be dissolving. He expressed disappointment that the motion had not been presented to the working group for discussion,

The Board was advised that a number of points in the motion were already covered in the Strategy and advised that the wide spread consideration of climate change across the Council was a fundamental part of what the strategy was trying to achieve. It would be a foundation to the plan and would evolve moving forward.

It was clarified that the Policy and Organisation Board had agreed for the Climate Change Working Group to be to fall under the remit of the Community board

The Board was reminded that there was a late item to consider which would look at proposed amendments to the Board structure and that consideration was being given at this point to the motion presented to the Council.

Members reiterated that the current agenda item was the discussion of the proposed motion.

Members felt that points 5, 6 and 7 of the motion were important and debated whether the motion in its entirety could not be covered by the Community Board and whether it should be subject to discussion of the full Council.

Members expressed disappointment that the proposer and seconder of the motion were not at the meeting,

Resolved:

The Community Board resolves to:

1. Declare that 'Climate Change is real' and requires urgent action;
2. Prioritise the work of the Climate Change Working Group;
3. Incorporate the CCWG Strategy in its approaches to planning decisions;
4. Ensure that political and chief officer/section head leadership teams embed this work in all areas and take responsibility for reducing, as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from the Council's activities;
5. Take steps to proactively include young people in the process, ensuring that they have a voice in shaping the future;
6. Develop a Citizens' Assembly in order to involve the wider population in this process. This group would help develop their own role, consider the latest climate science and

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expert advice on solutions and to consider systematically the climate change impact of each area of the Council's activities;

7. Establish a Climate Change Partnership group, involving Councillors, residents, young citizens, relevant experts, businesses, Citizens Assembly representatives and other relevant parties. It will also recommend ways to maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as employment, health, transport and the local economy;

8. Report on the level of investment in the fossil fuel industry that our pensions plan and other investments have, and review the Council's investment strategy to give due consideration to climate change impacts in the investment portfolio;

9. Work with, influence and inspire partners across the borough, county and region to help deliver this goal;

10. Call on the UK Government to provide the powers, resources and help with funding to make this possible, and ask our MP to do likewise.

38. PSPO

Consideration was given to the report of the Senior Solicitor seeking the approval of the Community Board to extend the Borough of Gosport Public Spaces Protection Dog Control Order 2017 ("PSPDCO") which will be automatically revoked with effect from 23:59 hours on 30 April 2020.

The Board was advised that there were two amendments that at paragraph 3.3 the word aware be changed to unaware and that the description in the location described in schedule 2, paragraph 1.1 be amended to read 'pirates cove' to accurately reflect the name of its location.

The Board felt that it was clear that this was an extension to the order to allow it to carry on but that amendments were possible if required. It was requested that the review be diarised to ensure it took place every three years.

Members welcomed restrictions in parks, and cemetery's and on sports pitches.

RESOLVED: That subject to the amendments identified the Board

- Considered the results of the consultation exercise in relation to this matter carried out between 17th February 2020 and 02nd March 2020 as set out in Appendix C.
- Had regard to the representations made in response to the consultation exercise and note the responses received.
- Extends the existing PSPDCO and if relevant record any modifications and or approve the PSPDCO attached at Appendix A ("Draft PSPDCO");

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- Delegates authority to the Borough Solicitor to take the necessary steps, including publicity requirements to implement the extended PSPDCO in the form of Appendix A

CHAIRMAN

Concluded at 7:38