



SEPTEMBER 2019

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT & WELLBEING COMMITTEE
(WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.00pm, IN THE NEW SEACOURT HALL, 2nd
FLOOR GRANT THORNTON BUILDING, BOTLEY.

Present: Councillor Church (Chair) and Councillors, Kay, Potter, Berrett, Bastin, Dowie, Jones, and Mackeith.

In Attendance: C A Ryde, Clerk to NHPC.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Councillors, Potter, ~~Bastin, Jones~~ and Blase
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2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING AS CIRCULATED.

Agreed.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Referred to elsewhere in the minutes

5. REPORT ON THE Botley Environmental Meeting held 6/9

Councillor Church gave the Committee a verbal update and undertook to write a full report for publication in The Sprout.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Councillor Kay informed the Committee that the Vale of White Horse District Council had agreed to make changes to some aspects Of the plan but not to the environmental section. The working Group were seeking independent advice.

7. OXFORD TO CAMBRIDGE EXPRESSWAY – DEVELOPMENTS

Councillor Kay reported that it was proposed to hold a public meeting jointly with Cumnor at Seacourt Hall in November. A range of speakers was discussed which Councillor Church undertook to take forward.

8. AIR POLLUTION

a. Botley school developments

Councillor Church reported that Oxfordshire County Council was taking the funding application forward for a green wall alongside the Botley School /A34 boundary in an effort to reduce air pollution.

b. Discussion with Vale

Councillor Church reported that he was to have discussions with The Vale of White Horse District Council about air pollution and climate change issues and would report back to the next meeting. He AGREED to discuss the possibility of funding and promoting a traffic anti idling campaign in Botley and Councillor Berrett AGREED to discuss with Councillor Jones possible involvement with Botley School.

c. Ox Air update

Councillor Church reported that Ox air were willing to attend a future meeting and discuss doing live pollution monitoring in Botley

9 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT

Deferred to next meeting.

10 BOTLEY TO EYNHAM CYCLEWAY UPDATE

The Committee noted that Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) was supporting this initiative.

11 OXFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT IN OXFORD

The Committee noted that the OCC was consulting on the introduction of a £600 per parking space levy, bus gates and new bus services linking Witney, the JR and Abingdon. Councillor Church undertook to provide full Council with a briefing and Councillor Berrett undertook to publicise the OCC consultation on the NHPC web site.

12 CLIMATE COMMUNICATIONS

The Committee AGREED to Councillor Church drafting a range of Climate Change Communications with the help of Councillor Berrett who also AGREED to create a climate action page for the NHPC web site.

Councillor Church AGREED to write to The Vale of White Horse DC requesting information on the number of items placed in recycling bins that was rejected as compared to other similar councils.

13 BOTLEY GREEN DAY

Councillor Church informed the Committee that the date had been moved to the 22nd Feb 2020

The Committee AGREED that Councillor Church should draw up a draft programme for the day along with a template invitation to and a list of organisations who could attend. The Committee also AGREED to set up a working party to firm up on details for the day.

14 VERTICAL GARDEN / LIVING WALL UNDER A34 FLYOVER

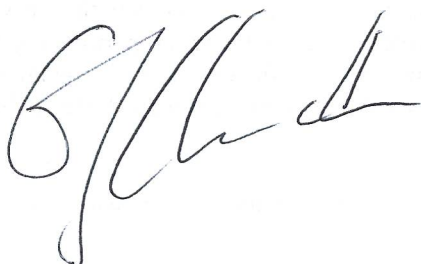
Councillor Church reported as to way the vertical wall was not possible and how conversations with the Highways Agency had led to the Botley School application for environmental greening project funding along the School A34 boundary.

15 MEETING WITH EMILY SMITH – SUGGESTIONS ON ISSUES TO BE RAISED.

The Committee AGREED that Councillor Church should discuss: Vale Climate action plans, air pollution and as previously referred to; the proposed anti idling campaign.

16 OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION Councillor Berrett undertook to liaise with the Co Op, to see if they could help improving communication about what /how to recycle It was suggested that Terra Cycle attend the next meeting to inform The Committee about what options were available

17 Date of next meeting TBA



28.11.19