



## BIDEFORD TOWN COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Decarbonisation and Environment Committee Meeting

held in the Council Chamber,

on Wednesday 4 December 2024 at 6.30 pm

**PRESENT:** East Ward: Councillor Mrs R Clarke (Mayor)  
Councillor Mrs J Gubb  
North Ward: Councillor J Gordon (Chairman)  
South Ward

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr P Swan (Town Clerk)

#### 23 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Valid reasons for absence were received on behalf of Councillors – None given

Councillor J McKenzie – Did not attend

Councillor J Craigie – Did not attend

Councillor S Smith – Did not attend

Councillor K Hind – Did not attend

#### 24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### 25 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD**

No members of the public present.

#### 26 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 3rd October 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs R Clarke, seconded by Councillor Mrs J Gubb and

**RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL: The Minutes of the Decarbonisation and Environment Committee meeting held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.**

(Vote – For: 3; Against: 0; Abstention 0)

27 **GREEN GRANTS**

The members reviewed the proposal. Councillor Gordon explained that a significantly small sum can have a large impact to some of the local community groups and having this facility could make positive community impact.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs R Clarke, seconded by Councillor Mrs J Gubb and

**RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL: That the Green Grant proposal be adopted.**

28 **SOLAR PV INSTALLATION**

The installation of the Solar PV array for the New Town Ranger Depot was discussed and

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs R Clarke, seconded by Councillor Gubb and

**RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL: That the remainder of the 25/26 Decarbonisation budget be allocated to the Town Ranger Depot Solar PV Array project.**

29 **TOWN CARBON PLAN**

Councillor Gordon gave feedback on the Torridge Carbon Plan, advising that a significant proportion was not under the remit of Town Council control and did the Committee feel the Town Carbon Plan consider the wider Bideford remit or just that under the control of Bideford Town Council. After consideration the members

**RECOMMEND TO FULL: that only items under the control of Bideford Town Council should be considered in the Town Carbon Plan.**

30 **NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was agreed to be at the discretion of the Chair.

The Chairman thanked the Members for their attendance and support. He concluded the Meeting at 18:38.

Signature of Town Mayor:..... Date:.....

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