



WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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Dated this day 31st July 2025

To: Councillors: S Waite-Gleave (Chairing), R Blackwell, M Eddy, P Findley

Non-Council Members: Mrs S Fisher

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You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Climate Emergency Working Group** to be held on **Tuesday 5th August 2025** at 62 The Strand, Walmer, CT14 7DP at 7.00pm to transact the business set out below.

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive any declarations of interest from Members in respect of business to be transacted on the agenda.

Where a Member has a new or registered Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (DPI) in a matter under consideration, they must disclose that they have an interest and, unless the Monitoring Officer has agreed in advance that the DPI is a 'Sensitive Interest', explain the nature of that interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared a DPI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation permitting them to do so. If during the consideration of any item a Member becomes aware that they have a DPI in the matter, they should declare the interest immediately and, subject to any dispensations, withdraw from the meeting.

Where a Member is declaring an Other Significant Interest (OSI), they must also disclose the interest and explain the nature of the interest at the meeting. The Member must withdraw from the meeting at the commencement of the consideration of any matter in which they have declared an OSI and must not participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter unless they have been granted a dispensation to do so or the meeting is one at which members of the public are permitted to speak for the purpose of making representations, answering questions or giving evidence relating to the matter. In the latter case, the Member may only participate on the same basis as a member of the public and cannot participate in any discussion of, or vote taken on, the matter and must withdraw from the meeting in accordance with the Council's procedure rules.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16th June 2025

Attach 1

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING/ADMIN REPORT

To Note: Update from admin regarding actions

Attach 2

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

6. ONGOING PROJECTS

Climate and Ecology Action Plans

- To note: Updated Action Plans
- To note: Update on Local Resilience Plans - DDC & DAC-KALC involvement
- Review of draft texts for website relating to Climate Emergency, WTC historic & Current

Attach 3

DDC Climate & Nature Forum

- To note: DDC Climate & Nature Forum of July 8th 2025

Coastal recovery

- To Note: Results of seawater testing by Swimsafety

Attach 4

Transport

- **EV Points**

- To Note: Update on WTC EV charging points

Attach 5

- **Waste & Pollution Reduction**

- To Note: Rescheduling of WalAPP and visits
 - To Discuss purchase and installation of Water Bottle filler station before Dec 2025

Attach 6

- **Buildings & energy saving**

- To Note: Updates on building and energy saving plans.
 - Update on shelf and short focus projector

Attach 7

- **Restoration of nature**

- Possible dates to invite Nick Moles of Pesticide Action Network to present to WTC & DTC Cllrs

Combined Projects

- Responses from Deal Town Council regarding combined initiatives.

Attach 8

7. NEW PROJECTS

- Offers of fruit trees for small front gardens in Walmer.
- Beebomb Campaign

8. POSSIBLE FUTURE AIMS AND INITIATIVES.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

TBC at 7pm.



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Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Climate Emergency Working Group held on Monday 16th June 2025 at 62 The Strand, Walmer, at 7.00 pm

Present:

Cllr S Waite-Gleave (Chairing)
Cllr P Findley
Cllr R Blackwell
Cllr M Eddy

Officers present:

John Miles (Administration Officer)

1. ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN FOR THE WORKING GROUP FOR 2025/2026

Cllr S Waite Gleave was the only nomination received.

- **Resolved:** To appoint Cllr S Waite Gleave as the Chairman of Walmer Town Council Climate Emergency Working Group for the year 2025/26.
- Proposed – Cllr Eddy
- Seconded – Cllr Blackwell
- For – 4 Against – 0 Abstain – 0

2. ELECTION OF A VICE CHAIRMAN FOR THE WORKING GROUP FOR 2025/2026

Cllr R Blackwell was the only nomination received.

- **Resolved:** To appoint Cllr R Blackwell as the Vice Chairman of Walmer Town Council Climate Emergency Working Group for the year 2025/26.
- Proposed – Cllr Eddy
- Seconded – Cllr Findley
- For – 4 Against – 0 Abstain – 0

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Apologies received from Mrs S Fisher.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- None Submitted.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- **Resolved:** That the minutes of 27 March be taken as an accurate record
 - Proposed by: Cllr Eddy

- Seconded by: Cllr Findley
For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- **Noted:** Update Report has been forwarded to the committee members from Admin
- Proposed – Cllr Blackwell
- Seconded – Cllr Eddy
- For – 4 Against – 0 Abstain – 0

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- None Submitted.

8. ONGOING PROJECTS

Climate and Ecology Action Plans

- **Noted:** DDC/KRF workshop for Local Resilience Plans rescheduled for 16 July.
- WTC Action plans are underway to be completed by Sept 2025, Cllr Waite Gleave and Admin to make changes to both plans including comments indicating completion or brought forward to updated action plan if uncomplete. Numbers to be added to make identification of entries easier.
 - **Resolved:** Delegate changes to action plans to Cllr Waite Gleave and Admin
 - Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
 - Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
 - For- 4 Against -0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Cllr Waite Gleave and Admin to make changes to action plans.
- **Noted:** Working group received copies of the results of the April seawater testing by swim-safety, >100 colonies (but less than 110) so borderline good/excellent. Cllr Findley informed the working group that Southern Water will be testing the water at eight sites in the area for a total of 40 tests. Southern Water will be sending copies of the results to Cllr Findley.
 - **Actions:** Admin to request more comprehensive results from Swimsafety during the July Testing.
- **Noted:** Environmental Agency to be contacted to politely request WTC observation of their process of testing and the possibility of WTC observing a water collection to ensure we follow the similar processes, when we collect samples in July, August and October 2025.
 - **Resolved:** Admin to contact EA to request to be observers during a collection for sea water testing in order to learn from their process to improve our own collections.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Findley
 - Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Admin to contact EA to request to be observers during a collection for sea water testing

- **Noted:** New DDC Cabinet member for Finance Governance and Climate Change is Cllr Nee, but DDC chair Cllr Beer will continue to chair the DC Climate and Nature Forum due to meet next in July 2025.
- **Noted:** Deal Town Council's Ocean and Coastal Recovery Strategy and shaping of a motion to KALC AGM.
- **Noted:** Collaboration with Deal Town Council on their Ocean and Coastal Recovery Strategy. Once the July meeting has been completed, CEWG will draft a question or motion to put to KALC about setting up a special interest coastal group. Also to contact Deal Town Council regarding co-operation for the creation of the group. Explore with DealTC action through the Cinque Ports Towns groups, also.
 - **Resolved:** Explore possibility of motion to KALC about special interest Coastal group with DealTC, and have a written proposal for delivery by the July Meeting.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
 - Seconded by: Cllr Waite Gleave
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Admin and Cllr Waite Gleave to confer with DealTC possibly draft a proposal by the July CEWG Meeting, to put to KALC at AGM.
Admin to contact Deal Town Council regarding co-operation with the creation of the special interest group.

Transport

EV Charging points

- **Noted:** Update on WTC EV charging points & income from 1st Jan 2025. £188.13 received up to end of May 2025, from KCC team.
- **Noted:** Update on opportunities for more EV charging points.
- Several locations have been identified as possible sites for new on road EV charging points including, Menzies Avenue, the Canada Road end of The Strand and Herschell Road West/ Wellesley Ave.
 - **Actions:** Admin to look into ownership of locations.

Waste & Pollution Reduction

- **Noted:** Application for a Water Filler station was sent in on 22nd April.
- **Noted:** Stickers for WalApp purchased & visits due to start 17 June, Cllr Waite Gleave to begin distribution.
- Signs to reduce engine idling: In cooperation with KALC, WTC and KCC to work together to purchase a number of signs similar to those on Canada Road.
 - **Resolved-** Admin to send email on behalf of Walmer Town Council, to approach the new local county councillors to back the KALC campaign regarding no engine idling signs on all temporary traffic works / level crossings on KCC roads.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
 - Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Admin to produce and send email on behalf of Walmer Town Council, to approach the new local county councillors to back the KALC campaign regarding no engine idling signs on all temporary traffic works or level crossings on KCC roads.

Buildings & energy saving

- **Noted:** EPC Energy certificate rating of C for No 62 The Strand in early April 2025 (from E in 2014).
- CEWG would like to find ways to improve on energy saving including the use of the still extant planning application 22/01443 for No 62. This may include the construction of a new rear extension, solar panels, bike racks and changes to the front of the building. Needs to be continued before 3-year limit elapses.
 - **Actions:** Admin to obtain quotations regarding the installation of bike racks or replacement of the front door.
- Request quotations to put up shelf & projector in meeting room at No 62 Strand, to focus meetings & reduce paper use for agendas.
 - **Resolved:** Admin to forward costs of shelf and projector to A&E committee to request budget increase for CEWG.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
 - Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Admin to forward costs to A&E Committee.

Thermal Camera

- Complete a new Thermal Camera Leaflet and begin distribution during October 1st-30th, use thermal images from the 2024-2025 appointments to complete leaflet rewrite. Complete by July meeting.
- Begin a longer campaign including leafletting and community and magazines, starting as soon as possible. Admin to write a press release for use on all media.
- Cllr Waite Gleave to contact James Traynor regarding DDC assistance.
 - **Resolved:** Admin to complete leaflet template and press release for use over the next six months.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
 - Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0
 - **Actions:** Admin to complete new leaflet and press release before July meeting.
 - **Resolved:** Walmer Town Council is currently unable to share the use of the Thermal Camera with Deal, due to the need to keep a primary focus on Walmer.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
 - Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell.
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0

Restoration of nature

- Note: DDC property services officer has been chased up regarding the status of our request for Churchill Avenue. More information is being received from the DDC valuation officer Ed Craske. The working group voiced its approval that this is moving forward.
- SWG to contact interested parties regarding the Churchill Avenue.
- To propose sending a request to DDC to invite Nick Mole of Pesticide Action Network to speak to a Climate & Nature Forum meeting.
 - **Resolved:** To Invite Nick Mole s of PAN to speak to Walmer and Deal Town Councils, invitation to be sent by WTC. Contact DTC regarding the use of the

Town Hall for a combined meeting (prior to recommending Mr Mole speak to DDC).

- Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
- Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
- For-4 Against-0 Abstain-0
- **Actions:** Admin to contact DTC regarding the use of the Town Hall for a combined meeting with Nick Moles from Pesticide Action Network. Invitation to be sent when location confirmed.

9. NEW PROJECTS

- The Invitation of Nick Moles from PAN is intended as renewal of initiative work-with DDC to cut the use of carcinogenic Glyphosate.
- To look at joining the DealTC Hedgehog Friendly Deal Project over the next year, it involves gravel boards on sale or return with local supplier.
 - **Resolved:** Admin to explore possibility of cooperation with DTC regarding project, including gravel boards group buying.
 - Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
 - Seconded by: Cllr Blackwell
 - For- 4 Against-0 Abstain-0

10. POSSIBLE FUTURE AIMS AND INITIATIVES.

- To revisit the Bee Bomb campaign.
- Cllr Waite Gleave and Admin to edit online action plans. Admin to forward link to members once completed.

11. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS.

- None

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5th August at 19:00 at No 62 The Strand.

The meeting closed at 20:35



Item: Climate Emergency Update Report

Date: 28th July 2025

Meeting: Climate Emergency Working Group

From: Admin Clerk

1. The action plans have been updated and a link sent out to all members of the working group.
2. Admin contacted Swimsafety regarding the results certificate, they have agreed to change the layout of the results to more easily inform on what they mean.
3. Admin contacted the Environmental Agency and they not currently offering any consultancy services externally regarding water sampling. Their advice is to follow best practices as outlines in authority guidelines.
4. An email was sent to Deal Town Council regarding several ideas for joint projects, the reply has been added to the agenda.
5. Contact was made with KCC regarding new EV points, Canada Road and Herschell Road West have been added to their list of possible locations. However, they would like a clarification of what areas of Menzies Avenue should be considered.
6. A&E agreed to the budget increase request to allow for the purchase and installation of a projector and shelf in the meeting room.
7. A reply was received from Sea-changers regarding the application for the water filling station, we were unsuccessful this year.

CLIMATE & ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN—COMPILED Spring 2025 part 3 Action May 2025- 2027



We recognise Natural Solutions to Climate Change include protecting and enhancing carbon-capturing, flood-absorbing, woodlands, grasslands, and wetlands; that community resilience to climate change includes the protection of food-growing land. Action Plan developed by the Council's Climate Emergency Working Group. Informed by Friends of the Earth guidance <https://policy.friendsoftheearth.uk/reports/20-actions-parish-and-town-councils-can-take-climate-and-nature-emergency> FelixstoweTC, SwanageTC & otherTCs

Putting climate mitigation and resilience at the heart of decision making

Activity	Intended outcome	Led By	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments / contacts
1.1 Follow Kent Resilience Forum advice (July 2024) on developing new, comprehensive Local Resilience Plan due to expected extreme weather events & lessons learned during pandemic	To be better prepared to help (vulnerable in) community cope with outages, shortages, heatwaves, flooding, etc	Town Clerk / KALC Rep SWG	KRF Template to be completed during and after DDC workshop for level 1 councils (due 26 March 2025 but postponed by DDC)	Officer time Councillor to attend workshop	Ongoing	https://www.kentprepared.org.uk/improving-community-resilience
1.2 Liaise with KALC / NALC about LGReorganisation ; new EK Unitary Authority from 2027.	Find out what extra powers level 1 councils / WTC may have as result of Local Govt reorganisation				Ongoing	DTC want to unload some car parks, likely only Borrow Pit in Walmer.
1.3 Seek to put WTC reserves in non-fossil fuel savings account, preventing them becoming stranded assets.	Prudent protection of reserves; avoiding fuelling climate crisis.	Town Clerk	Talk to Clerk regarding the bank accounts used by the council for Ecology and Ethical practices.	Officer Time	Completed 2024	All four accounts used by WTC are ethical and economical
1.4 Offer training to councillors / officers	Awareness among all members of council & officers				Ongoing	Info & Training sessions and information can be found at: https://www.kent.gov.uk/environment/waste-and-planning/climate-change https://www.carbonfootprint.com/carbonacademy_sbn.html https://www.cse.org.uk/resources https://carboncharter.org/events/carbon-literacy-training-3/
1.5 Continue to cut / halve use of paper ; encourage Cllrs to use (reconditioned) IT tablets, etc. Use QR codes where suitable *See Entry 1.6	To reduce the amount of paper used for office work.	Officer	Office uses recycled paper for agendas and other paperwork Reduction in agendas may be possible. Purchase of projector may be a way forward	Officer Time	Ongoing	It is not sustainable to spend money buying new tablets for Cllrs. Complete switch to QR codes would exclude some members of the community. Reduction of hard copy agendas has begun, use of recycled paper primarily for all white paper printing. Suitable used paper also used as notepaper.
1.6 Put up shelf for projector & get projector for ctee room WTC premises *See Entry 1.5	Ctee meeting agendas can be projected onto wall/screen to reduce use of paper & keep meetings focussed	Officer	To get quotations and then put a recommendation to F&GP	Projector like Cllr PF's & high shelf	By July Meeting	To note: if we continue to use Walmer PH for full council meetings, secretary of WPH supplies projector for use at WPH.
1.7 Get a new Carbon Audit done in Jan 2027	Aim to show we have achieved WTC net zero without carbon offsetting by 2027.	Officer	To source a carbon audit and quotation.	Officer time	By Jan 2027	
1.8 Provide whole council with update on carbon audit impact report of Walmer Parish Territorial 8.45t CO2e Consumption 15.3t CO2e both per household DDC climate change officer J Traynor spoke to WTC CEWG meeting	So all council members aware of which activities cause biggest carbon footprint (energy inefficiencies of buildings and cars). Help CEWG members prioritise actions	Cllr SWG	Provided on agenda of full council 6 March 2024	In 2026	Ongoing	Cllr SWG completed Carbon Literacy Training Dec 2023, will be able to train CEWG members.
1.9 Resolved CEWG motion 18 July 2024 to go to full council on purchasing & procurement *See Entry 5.5	New project purchases / procurement to be made according to best community value for money overall & impact on environment instead of on cheapest in short term	Officer / SWG	Jan 25 th 2024 Written proposal for full council	Yes	Ongoing	Agreed CEWG 27-3-25 draft recommendation to F&GP
1.11 Work with DDC Climate & Nature Forum sharing good practice.	Learn of initiatives from other TCs suitable for Walmer	Cllrs SWG / PF	Clerk discussed terms of Ref meeting Dec 2023. Cllrs attending quarterly from May 2025		Dec 2023 (clerk); 2 May 2024 2 x Cllr reps quarterly Ongoing	https://www.dover.gov.uk/Environment/Climate-Change/Dover-Climate-Nature-Change-Forum.aspx

1.12	Follow Kent Resilience Forum advice (July 2024) on developing new, comprehensive Local Resilience Plan due to expected extreme weather events & lessons learned during pandemic	To be better prepared to help (vulnerable in) community cope with outages, shortages, heatwaves, flooding, etc	Clerk / KALC Rep SWG	Template to be developed during and after DDC workshop for level 1 councils (due March/July 2025 but postponed by DDC). Link in with Deal Town Council regarding working together on a resilience plan to avoid duplication.	Yes	Within 12 Months	https://www.kentprepared.org.uk/improving-community-resilience
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Buildings

Activity	Intended outcome	Led by	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments
2.1 Get Energy Performance Certificate done on 62 The Strand, publicly owned WTC premises	Find out energy performance of WTC premises, to guide cost effective energy saving plans.	Officer/ Clr SWG	Using EPCs & DEC as a benchmark consider work to make buildings more energy efficient; update EPCs if work carried out. Increase value of WTC public asset (Friends of the Earth recommend to EPC level C). DEC Display Energy Cert is more reliable. Investigate grants.	£210 for EPC	Completed April 2025	IR Check of No 62, possible installation of curtains. Score- C (68) Previous in 2014-E (121)
2.2 Compare current energy supplier with other suppliers sourced from renewables & low carbon generation.	Enable Council to switch to cost-effective 100% renewable (or at least low carbon) energy supplier	Town Clerk	Current energy supplier uses Zero Carbon for Business Fixed Price plans. Renewable and zero carbon emissions ongoing.	N/A	Ongoing	
2.3 Leaflet & offer with Thermal Imaging Camera service & give aways	Continue to help residents improve energy efficiency of their homes.	Officer	Redesign and confirm new leaflet for IR camera scheme	Officer Time	By September 2025	Once new pictures of give aways are done, add to leaflet.
2.4 Seek partner to help us provide rainwater harvesting / butts to residents & community groups where suitable	To recycle rainwater for use in gardens.	Officer	Get information about water harvesting	Officer Time	Ongoing	
2.5 Get TIC images of Front, rear and side skylights of 62 The strand	To add to the information from EPC and guide decisions on saving energy.	Officer	Take pictures when colder weather comes in	Officer Time	By Oct/Nov 25	
2.6 Implement planning application 22/01443 so that WTC can attain its goal of becoming carbon neutral by 2027(planning application passed 13 Dec 2022).	Cut energy bills and make WTC premises more energy efficient thereby increasing the resale value of the publicly owned asset in a prudent manner.	All CEWG team of Clrs & officers	Investigate grants.			22/01443 includes rear extension with 6 solar roof panels, insertion of new rooflight, alterations to shop front including window & door and 2 cycle stands. To note: the long delay in reassigning the lease of 8 The Strand prevented WTC reaching its goal to become carbon neutral by 2025. The lease was reassigned in Autumn 2024 & is no longer an expense to WTC.
2.7 Collect information about area in Walmer Parish with past experience of flooding or future potential for flooding.						
2.8 Energy saving advice for residents based on reading of Thermal Imaging Camera.	Reduce energy needed to warm homes. Help residents cut energy bills. Mtg DDC 6-4-24 on cooperating to target where fuel poverty worst/ council houses	Officer (Clrs to distribute flyers)	Creation of new version of leaflet by July Meeting	Yes	Ongoing	Uptake of service Winter 2024-25: 20 Winter 2023-24: 34 Winter 2022-23: 158 Winter 2021-22: 34
2.9 Planning committee to be aware of Advice Kent Fire Service/Resilience Forum, fire breaks needed round developments edge of settlements (wildfires)	ask for safer planning conditions on developments in and around Walmer	Officer / SWG		yearly reminders	Ongoing	

2.10	Planning cttee to be aware new historic England Advice on energy efficiency & solar on Listed buildings & in Conservation areas	help residents overcome barriers preventing them saving energy	Officer / SWG		reminders when needed	Ongoing	https://historicengland.org.uk/images-books/publications/adapting-historic-buildings-energy-carbon-efficiency-advice-note-18/heap321-adapting-historic-buildings-energy-carbon-efficiency/
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Transport & support for active travel (walking & cycling)

	Activity	Intended outcome	Led by	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments
3.1	Liaise with A&E cttee on making Walking /cycling safer & 'irresistible'.		Cllr SWG	Liaise with Walmer road safety and speedwatch groups	Cllr Time	Ongoing	Gram's Rd / Station Rd junction likely to be big issue if / when development of Ray's Bottom arable field goes ahead.
3.2	Liaise with KCC to install more EV charging spaces for residents without drives	Increase number of EV charging spaces	Officer	Contact KCC regarding places for EV points as well as funding.	Officer Time	Ongoing	Looking at possibility of adding charge points to top of Court Road.
3.3	Promote cycle hire from Walmer-based businesses(es) on our website	To inform the public about cycle hire in the local area	Officer	Put link on our website (like DealTIC does) to https://www.hut55.co.uk/bikehire	Officer Time	By September	Link has been added to website, The Sustainable page is under construction.
3.4	Promote car-sharing platforms and community transport volunteers	Help residents who don't drive; and help residents drive less.	Officer	On our website. Make poster to put up on community notice boards.	Officer Time	By September	Poster to be completed Website Completed
3.5	Support DDC actions to attract providers of car clubs to CT14	Help residents avoid being car owner but access car occasionally.	Cllr SWG			Ongoing	
3.6	Speak up for retention of Walmer ticket office & better cheaper train and bus services.		Cllr SWG	Liaise with DealTIC (responsible for Ramsgate platform) to improve public toilets & enviro at Walmer stn		Ongoing	
3.7	Explore interest of DDC / DTC in small electric hopper bus to link Walmer residents/ visitors with Boundary Rd, southern Walmer & Deal Castle at weekends	Reduce use of private ICE car in very congested Walmer at weekends.	Cllr SWG	If DDC / DTC / KCC / new UA interested – then see how WTC can support within limits our resources. Speak with Residents association Wellington Parade about possibility; route to be limited to Boundary Rd to Deal Castle to avoid pinch points.		Ongoing	
3.8	WTC outdoor gym project 2024 & onwards offers set of contacts for promotion of safe walking cycling (including D&W speak up)	Helping people keep fit enough to enjoy walking & cycling	Liaise between CEWG, A&E, Cllr L Ludwig & officers	WTC committed match funding of £30,000 and are seeking funding from outside.	Officer and Cllr Time	Ongoing	
3.9	Cooperate with KALC project to reduce engine idling, near schools, by temporary traffic lights (level crossing not in Walmer)	Reduce air pollution		DDC C&N Forum involved Jan 2025; seek funding support for cost of 'no engine idling' temp signs.	On-going 2025 - 2027 – Explore if schools interested in 'Junior Traffic warden' supervised activity as used in Felixstowe	Ongoing	

Restoring Nature, enhancing natural carbon capture (including foreshore and coast)

	Activity	Intended outcome	Led by	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments
4.1	Support / publicise White Cliffs Countryside Partnership – restoring nature work on Foreshore	Encourage Native Species – reduce invasive species.	Officers/Cllrs	Officer to publicise on our website & FB page	Officer time	Ongoing	Check WCCP website
4.2	Take over management of Churchill Ave Green Space from DDC	Creation community orchard / community garden / biodiversity / peaceful green space for residents young & old	Clerk / Cllr SWG	Continue to liaise with DDC officer Nicola Fairhurst and Ed Craske Keep potential volunteers updated.	Land was offered by DDC at 3 yr lease peppercorn rent July 2023	Ongoing	Hope to have status of space confirmed by July 2025. To consult with volunteers, draft plan, Sept. Start work Nov 2025.

4.3	Encourage edible decorative vegetable growing, & rainwater harvesting	To help with community resilience, if / when shortages occur	Officer	Talk to DDC/KCC about grants.	Officer time	Ongoing	
4.4	Tree & hedge planting	Explore if KCC offering more plants. DDC interested in short hedge (low-growing labour-saving species) eastern edge of Marke Wood.				Ongoing	
4.5	Fruit Trees offer for front gardens *See Entry 4.7	Extra carbon capture throughout the parish and residents' wellbeing.	Officer / Cllr SWG			Ongoing	Young's Nursery- fruit trees at cost. £5 donation from those want them. Budget request for 2026/2027 of £880 Sale or Return? (Ramsgate TC bought at £11 each)
4.6	Test seawater using services of accredited Laboratory	Provide raw data of findings to complement data obtained by regulator – evidence to push for less pollution of our coastal waters	Officer / Cllr SWG	Place order with laboratory	Officer time; budgeted cost of tests to be done April, July, Sept Oct. (EA do weekly tests May to Sept at Deal pier).	Ongoing	Action 2025 Review at Jan 2026 meeting, if Swimfo App still shows local sea-bathing water quality as 'poor'.
4.7	Work to retain carbon-capturing trees, woodland & grasslands across the parish through planning cttee and WIB / Hawkshill cttee. *See Entry 4.5	Extra carbon capture throughout the parish and residents' wellbeing. Retain carbon-capturing, flood absorbing trees, woodland & grasslands across the parish through planning cttee and WIB / Hawkshill cttee.	Officers / Cllrs PF & SWG & WIB Cttee & A&E	Updated management plan Hawkshill Freedown (SC). Recommendations on planning applications involving TPOs. Apply for new TPOs where possible. WTC Tree policy agreed at full council 6 Nov 2024	Review with DDC tree officer and DDC parks and open spaces as appropriate.	Ongoing	We advocate for natural solutions to climate change at DAC-KALC and DDC C&NForum. WTC owned Hawkshill Freedown includes globally rare chalk downland habitat.
4.8	Lobby authorities for green spaces (especially Hawkshill to get protective redesignation)			use list submitted to DDC CL&N Forum March 2025 to push for upgrade to designation & more protection.		Ongoing	
4.9	Make all areas mown / managed by DDC in Walmer free of chemical pesticides especially glyphosate. Encourage allotment holders to go pesticide free.	End the use of chemical pesticides on all green areas within Walmer. Also encourage our allotment holders not to use chemical pesticides. To protect both human health and biodiversity.	Cllr Findley met DDC Parks and Open Spaces Manager to follow up on work of 2022 WTC. Negative response. On agenda May 2025 DDC C&N Forum	Keep putting the case to DDC Parks and Open Spaces every 6 months. Liaise with other level 1 councils in the district.	Officer and Cllr Time	Ongoing	Help available from Pesticide action network. pan-uk.org.uk By March 2026 for Allotments Cllr Findley met DDC Parks & Green Spaces manager to followed up on work 2022 work of WTC. Negative response. On agenda April 2025 DDC C&NForum Use contacts website pan-uk.org.uk Pesticide Action Network & Pesticide Freen Towns - Nick Mole in Dover.
4.10	Adapt own mowing regime	A carefully balanced, reduced mowing regime to favour biodiversity	Cllr P Findley	Hawkshill WTC owned & recommend to DDC on their open spaces.	No	2023-24 and on-going	One third per year in rotation at Hawkshill and WPG
4.11	Promote wildlife friendly community gardening through Nature & Biodiversity small grants	Small grants to allow groups to improve biodiversity in the area	Town Clerk	Allow for and authorise small grants for A&E.	No	Ongoing	Maximum £1500 per year

Reducing Waste / encouraging recycling/ promoting effective recycling

Activity	Intended outcome	Led by	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments
5.1	WalAPP Walmer Against Plastic Pollution	Encourage food / drink outlets & hospitality sector to offer zero plastic packaging & alternative to Single use plastic bottles of water.	Order stickers for shop / café windows. Cllr SWG to visit, praise actions, enquire their next steps. Show them Refill app.	£60 worth of WalApp non-plastic stickers	Ongoing	June, July, July 2025
5.2	Install water filler for residents / visitors	Enable users personal long-lifewater bottles, to refill 24/7. Cut use of oil-based single use plastic bottles	Make application to Seachangers Coastal Fountain fund (max £2500) Talk to DDC about installation.	Officer time. (Note £4000 allocated in WTC budget for 2x water fillers since July 2023)	Ongoing	Public aware of BMA warnings of microplastics to human health. April 25 Application Unsuccessful April 26 for next application

5.3	A one-off repair café service at Walmer Brocante 25-8-25	Encourage public to re-use, repair instead of buying new	Cllr SWG	Contact Deal Repair Café (or individual fixers); book stall	£10 for non-profit stall (annually 2025, 2026, 2027)	August 2025	Cllr SWG is a fixer with Deal Repair Café
5.4	Use less/ Recycled paper	Use less paper and replace usage with recycled paper	Officer	Office uses recycled paper for agendas and other paperwork Reduction in agendas may be possible	N/A	Ongoing	Less agendas are being printed
5.5	Encourage across WTC purchasing / procurement that is best community value for money overall instead of cheapest in short term, including impact on environmental factors. *See Entry 1.10	Avoiding purchase of materials with large import carbon footprint. Avoid purchase / use disposable materials. Reduce use of paper & printing. Avoid purchase plastic.	Officer to report back on the purchasing criteria of other level 1 councils.	Resolved CEWG 18 July 2024	Officer Time		More and more of public aware of, concerned by micro plastics damage to health of humans & wildlife. (see extract British Medical Journal.)
5.6	Offer guidance on recycling facilities in CT14 area		Officer	Produce poster / graphic	Officer Time	By Oct 2025	
5.7	Promote community litter picks, celebrate school litter picks		SWG	Letters congratulating classes & groups PDC and DWI beach cleans etc		Ongoing	
5.8	Work with DDC to install water filler close to Sustrans 1 shared cycle / walking path.	Enable residents & visitors to refill personal water bottles - discourage single use plastic bottles.	SWG / Officer Details	Budget agreed July 2023. But on hold while waiting for share of toilet upkeep to be agreed with DDC because sensible installation location is outside toilets.		Ongoing	Application of 24 April 2025 to Sea Searchers- unsuccessful. Second Application to go in Early 2026 (DDC sent funding application to WTC March 2025) (Toilet maintenance costs agreed Jan 2025.)
5.9	Visit cafes / shops to with 1 support WalAPP Walmer against Plastic Pollution sticker	Encourage cafes / shops to reduce plastic packaging	SWG	June & July 2025 SWG to drop in to cafes/ shops		Ongoing	Approved A&E £50 budgeted for stickers Stickers purchased June 2025 Policy agreed CEWG March May July & Sept 2024 -

Influencing others /Sharing good practice

	Activity	Intended outcome	Led by	Next Steps	Resources required	Time Frame	Comments
6.1	Offer public information evening Nov 2025/26 liaise with Kent Community Energy.	Encouraging community energy generation	Cllr SWG		Hall hire of about £40	Ongoing	
6.2	Support Downs Sailing Club in their ambition to make the 2026 National Schools Sailing regatta in Walmer as low carbon as possible	We approved 2024 their intention to camp on drill field so participants can walk to Sailing Club, out of rugby season. They want to offer longlife refillable water bottles so NO SU plastic – would like to work with WTC on souvenir bottles.	Cllr SWG	SWG to continue to talk with Jim Stokes at Downs Sailing about sustainable equipment use. Possible grant applications.	Cllr Time	Ongoing	
6.3	Participation in DDC Climate & Nature Forum		SWG & PF			Ongoing	May, July, Oct 2024, Jan, July 2025

*Part 1 covers action 2019 – April 2023 by council elected 2019. See also historic 2021 text on WTC website due to be updated 2025.

*Part 2 covers action May 2023 – April 2025 by council elected 2023.

*Part 3 covers action May 2025 – April 2027 by council elected 2023. Elections due May 2027.

Key

Completed
Ongoing

Water Quality Results Certificate



Client Name: Walmer Town Council

Water Body Name: Walmer Coast near Walmer Castle

Certificate Reference: TSBN2436392

Analysis Start Date: 18/07/2025

Report Date: 20/07/2025

Analysis Results – Microbiology

Sample 1

Test/Unit	Result	EC Bathing Water Directive (2006/7/EC) (For coastal waters)
E. coli (no/100 ml)	1	Pass Excellent
Enterococci (no/100 ml)	14	Pass Excellent

Sample 2

Test/Unit	Result	EC Bathing Water Directive (2006/7/EC) (For coastal waters)
E. coli (no/100 ml)	0	Pass Excellent
Enterococci (no/100 ml)	13	Pass Excellent

The testing results in this certificate relate only to the samples described above. Unless otherwise stated, all results are expressed on an as received basis. All analysis was carried out in UKAS accredited laboratory.

Please visit www.swim-safety.co.uk/results-guidance/ for more info on results thresholds.

All results are exact, and are the number of Colony Forming Units (viable living bacteria) found per 100ml of water tested.

Deal Rugby Club, Walmer. 2x 7kW Chargers

Commissioned on 07/10/2021

Finance						
	Sessions	Average Session Duration (minutes)	Energy (kWh)	Energy Cost	Annual fees	Revenue (Exc Vat)
2025	Jan-25	36	144	672	£168.00	£282.24
	Feb-25	39	234	983	£245.75	£412.86
	Mar-25	23	332	574	£143.50	£241.08
	Apr-25	32	482	962	£240.50	£404.04
	May-25	30	286	488	£122.00	£206.62
	Jun-25	27	448	864	£216.00	£352.43
	Total	187	1926	4543	£1,135.75	£1,899.27
	TOTAL	1575	12770	39252	£3,361.12	£13,742.13
					£763.52	£229.06
					£2,310.96	£693.29



Item: Details for purchase and installation of Water Bottle Filler Station

Date: 30th July 2025

Meeting: Climate Emergency Working Group

From: Admin Clerk

Fountain supplier	Drinking Fountain Solutions
Model to be purchased	Wall Mounted Bottle Filler Product Model: WMBF
Cost of fountain	Total cost including VAT of £685.20
Installation provider	Dover District Council
Estimated cost of installation	£1500-2000
Proposed fountain location	Public toilets at Marine Road.

The filling station will be attached to the local public toilets opposite the town council offices, close to the Route One cycle path on the seafront. This will also serve members of the public using the local paddling pool and adventure golf park.

Timescale:

Within one months of confirmation: Order of filling station and contact DDC to book installation.

Within three months of confirmation: Ensure finished installation of filling station

Within five months of confirmation of successful grant application: Testing and launch of the filling station.

Finish date: By end Dec 2025

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Info - Walmer Town Council

From: Nadine Miller <nadine.miller@deal.gov.uk>
Sent: 15 July 2025 13:04
To: Info - Walmer Town Council
Subject: RE: Walmer and Deal Council Climate Works.

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Good afternoon and I do hope all is well,

Apologies for the delay in getting back to you and many thanks for getting in touch with us.

Last year we hosted a KCC event about retro-fitting homes during Green Week so it is certainly something we can consider – do you have any more details about the content of the talk? As the Town Hall has a maximum capacity of 60 guests, KCC used an Eventbrite ticketing system which let them know the amount of interest as well as capturing details of those attending. Were you thinking of using a similar system?

Our Hedgehog Friendly Deal project is going well and is scheduled to finish next month so we may have run out of time for a joint venture I'm afraid. However, I'm more than happy to share how and what we've done – and I've checked with our suppliers, there is no discount for bulk buying but they have been incredibly helpful so I can certainly put you in touch with them.

We're working towards similar projects next year – so it's possible there could be scope for joint working then.

And finally many thanks again for the support and feedback from Walmer Town Council during the draft Ocean and Coastal Recovery Declaration & Strategy consultation. KALC were invited to the meeting of the town and parish coastal councils but alas were unable to attend but they remain very supportive and interested.

Climate action cannot be tackled in isolation and our continued working together reflects that - to explore ways to include the Cinque Ports, as a much larger groups representing coastal towns, has been the topic of much discussion and we're hopeful that last week's royal collaboration will be the beginning of much stronger ties and the pathway to more joint working.

Take care and speak soon, Nadine

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