WALMER TOWN COUNCIL
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Dated this day 12th November 2026

To: Councillors: R Blackwell (Chairing), S Waite-Gleave, M Eddy, P Findley.
Non-Council Members: Mrs S Fisher.

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Climate Emergency Working Group** to be held on **19th November 2026** at 62 The Strand, Walmer, CT14 7DP at 7.00pm to transact the business set out below.

Copy to Roland Aldred, Clerk

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 17th September 2026. Attach 1

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS CEWG AND A&E MEETINGS**
   - To note: Update from admin regarding actions. Attach 2

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

6. **ONGOING PROJECTS**

Transport and Active Travel

- **EV Points**
  - To Note: Update on EV points Attach 3

Water Testing

- To note: Water testing results Attach 4

Thermal Camera

- Media campaign draft Attach 5
- Calibration Queries Attach 6

Walmer Against Plastics Pollution

- To note: Update from Cllr Waite-Gleave

NALC Climate Emergency online meeting

- To Note: Update from Cllr Waite Gleave

7. **POSSIBLE NEW/FUTURE AIMS AND INITIATIVES.**

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21st January 2026

ATTACH 1

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Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Climate Emergency Working Group held on Thursday 17th September 2026 at 62 The Strand, Walmer, at 7.00 pm

Present: **Cllr R Blackwell (Chairing)**
Cllr S Waite-Gleave
Cllr P Findley
Cllr M Eddy
Mrs S Fisher

Officers present: **John Miles (Administration Officer)**

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
   - None received

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
   - None Received.

3. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
   - **Resolved**: That the minutes of 2nd July 2026 be taken as an accurate record.
     - Proposed by: Cllr M Eddy
     - Seconded by: Cllr P Findley

     For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS CEWG AND A&E MEETINGS**
   Noted: Members received a written report from admin.
   Noted: Admin to contact Deal Town Council regarding space for the Climate Action Day.

5. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**
   - None Received

6. **ONGOING PROJECTS**
   Transport and Active Travel
   - **EV Points**
     - **Noted**: Working Group received up to date costs for 2026.
     - **Noted:**: Admin to prepare press release for EV points information.

- Admin to update the CEWG web page with more information as requested by the members.

Water Testing

- Members received a written report from admin.
- **Noted:** Admin to add copies of water certificates and explanation to website.

Thermal Camera Scheme

- Working group received copy of thermal camera press release.
- **Resolved:** Admin to rewrite as requested and forward to local media.
    - Proposed by: Cllr P Findley
    - Seconded by: Cllr M Eddy
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0
- Working group received a quote for the recalibration of the thermal camera.
- **Resolved:** Admin to send camera to be recalibrated at a cost of £103.50
    - Proposed by: Cllr M Eddy
    - Seconded by: Cllr P Findley
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

Water Filler Installation

- A short information release was published on council website and social media for the initial installation, as of the meeting it had been liked 116 times and shared 19 times on face book.
- Working group received copy of water refill station press release.
- **Resolved:** Admin to rewrite as requested and forward to local media.
    - Proposed by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
    - Seconded by: Cllr M Eddy
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0
- Working group received drafts of filler station signage.
- **Resolved:** Admin to redesign as requested and send to members via email for vote when complete.
    - Proposed by: Cllr P Findley
    - Seconded by: Cllr M Eddy
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **Resolved:** Working Group delegated admin to order suitable signage up to cost of £300, Admin to send costings when completed.
    - Proposed by: Cllr P Findley
    - Seconded by: Cllr M Eddy
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

Walmer Against Plastics Pollution

- **Noted**: All information was covered in previous entry.

Paper Reduction

- Working group indicated a wish to reduce paper use by the council., it was noted that for a meeting of four Councillors, one Co-Opted member and a Council officer that approximately 120 pages of paper were used.

- **Resolved:** Admin to contact all Councillors regarding the use of electronic or hard copies of agendas.
    - Proposed by: Cllr R Blackwell
    - Seconded by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

BeeBombs

- Working group has noted that bee bombs are available for distribution.
- **Resolved:** Admin to contact local schools, then upload information to the website and social media for the public for applications.
    - Proposed by: Cllr M Eddy
    - Seconded by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

Kent Sustainable Communities Network Meeting

- **Noted**: Members received a written report from Cllr Waite Gleave.

NALC Climate Emergency Online Meeting

- **Noted**: Members received a written report from Cllr Waite Gleave

7. FRUIT TREE INITIATIVES

- Members received a report regarding the Fruit Tree Initiative from Cllr Waite Gleave.
- **Resolved:** To continue with the initiative as in the report to a total of £550.
- Admin to create an A5 flyer for delivery by members.
- Admin to add information to the council website and social media.
    - Proposed by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
    - Seconded by: Cllr P Findley
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0
- **Resolved:** To set the price of donations from applicants at £5.
    - Proposed by: Cllr P Findley
    - Seconded by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

8. WILDFLOWERING AND WILDLIFE POLICY

- Members received a copy of an email regarding working with DDC for their Wildflowering and Wildlife policy.
- **Resolved:** To send a reply via Town Clerk including information as to DDC's current wildlife policies, WTCs policies and an email address direct to DDCs parks and open services.
    - Proposed by: Cllr M Eddy
    - Seconded by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
      For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

9. ADVERTISING

- **Noted**: Members received a written report from admin regarding the costs for an ongoing media page in a local ad magazine.
- **Resolved:** Admin to continue to send press release and editorials as standard.

- Proposed by: Cllr M Eddy
- Seconded by: Cllr R Blackwell
  For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

Members voted to extend meeting by five minutes.

- Proposed by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
- Seconded by: Cllr M Eddy
  For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

10. BUDGET

- Members received the preliminary budget for 2027/2028
- **Resolved:** Admin to make changes as requested and then forward to A&E.
  - Proposed by: Cllr P Findley
  - Seconded by: Cllr S Waite Gleave
    For 4 Against 0 Abstain 0

11. POSSIBLE NEW/FUTURE AIMS AND INITIATIVES.

- None received.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

19th November 2026

Meeting ended at 21:04

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Item: **CEWG Update Report**
Date: **9th November 2026**
Meeting: **Climate Emergency Working Group**
From: **Admin Clerk**

1. The fruit tree initiative information and poster have been put up on social media, currently we have five requests and several more from Deal locations.
2. A5 flyers were drafted, finalised and are ready for use.
3. The EV camera has been serviced and queries about the calibration requirements have been received.
4. Water Certificates and explanation have been added to the website and a small release put onto social media.
5. Bee Bombs have been distributed to the local schools, the remaining have been advertised on social media and we have had six requests so far. Each school has received 20 bee bombs leaving approximate sixty for other distribution.
6. A&E have received the preliminary budget.
7. The thermal camera advertising in the ad magazine has led to six requests so far.
8. Admin has received replies back from most of the cllrs regarding agendas and will be reducing the number published where appropriate.
9. A&E have approved the fruit tree scheme for up to 50 trees.
10. We are awaiting the licence of use for the water fountain before signs can be bought and installed, the sand and slabs are currently being sourced as we may have a donation of slabs instead of needing to buy them.

Deal Rugby Club, Walmer. 2x 7kW Chargers

Commissioned on 07/10/2021

		Sessions	Average Session Duration (minutes)	Energy (kWh)	Finance				
					Energy Cost	Annual fees	Revenue (Exc Vat)	Net Profit	30% Share
	Jan-26	93	261	2034	£427.14		£907.85		
	Feb-26	77	295	2015	£423.15		£886.73		
	Mar-26	73	303	1523	£319.83		£642.33		
	Apr-26	98	284	2095	£439.95		£909.31		
	May-26	83	351	2192	£460.32		£938.04		
	Jun-26	80	364	1981	£416.01	**£769.31**	£868.62	**£1,897.17**	**£569.15**
	Jul-26	94	348	2613	£548.73		£1,124.90		
	Aug-26	88	322	2469	£518.49		£1,062.94		
	Sep-26	67	187	1528	£320.88		£696.42		
	Oct-26	76	364	2038	£427.98		£913.62	**£1,981.80**	**£594.54**
	Nov-26								
	Dec-26								
2026	**Total**	**829**	**3079**	**20488**	**£4,302.48**		**£8,950.76**	**£3,878.97**	**£1,163.69**
						*Fees Jan-Jun		Est to date	Est to date

O&M cost per charger per year	2026 (Jan-Apr)	2026 (May-Dec)
Maintenance & Servicing	£275.00	£265.00
Software Licence	£81.00	£100.00
Financial Handling	£12.00	
Total for one year per charger	**£245.36**	**£730.00**
Standing charge	**£22.80**	**£46.55**
Transaction fees	**£155.88**	**£90.35**
Total charged per year	**£424.04**	**£1,596.90**

Profit share Paid	
Date range	**Amount**
Oct 21 - July 24	£511.07
Aug 24 - Dec 24	£182.22
Jan 25- Jun 25	£146.27
Jul 25 - Dec 25	£349.90
Jan 26 - Jun 26	£569.15
Jul 26 - Dec 26	TBC

Attach 7

ATTACH 4

Water Quality Results Certificate

Client Name: Walmer Town Council

Water Body Name: Walmer Coast near Walmer Castle

Certificate Reference: TSBN2895897

Analysis Start Date: 15/10/2026

Report Date: 17/10/2026

Analysis Results – Microbiology

Sample 1

Test / Unit	Result	EC Bathing Water Directive (2006/7/EC) (Coastal Waters)
E. coli (no/100 ml)	2	Pass Excellent
Intestinal Enterococci (no/100 ml)	10	Pass Excellent

Sample 2

Test / Unit	Result	EC Bathing Water Directive (2006/7/EC) (Coastal Waters)
E. coli (no/100 ml)	1	Pass Excellent
Intestinal Enterococci (no/100 ml)	0	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 a UKAS accredited laboratory.

Please visit www.swim-safety.co.uk/results-guidance/ for further information on results thresholds.

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- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

PRESS RELEASE

Lessen Your Heat Loss This Winter.

As we are heading into the coldest days of the year, many members of the public will be switching on the heating or kindling the fire to keep their homes warm this winter. During this time Walmer Town Council is running its Thermal Camera scheme for the residents of the town, to help check for heat loss in homes and businesses.

Since 2022 officers have visited nearly two hundred and fifty residences and offices, ranging from single flats to sprawling houses across Walmer. To book a thermal camera appointment is simple; email or telephone the council offices leaving your name, address and contact details. The scheme begins in the first week in December, with appointments available between 4:30pm and 6:30pm.

It's completely free, with each appointment taking approximately fifteen minutes of your time. During the appointment, the council officer responsible will knock, inform you of why they are there and confirming the name and address. Once the pictures are taken, the officer will show you what they found and let you know if they have picked up any hot spots or heat loss on the outside of your house.

These visits are open to anyone in Walmer, private residences, tenancies and small businesses included. For those especially in need, the council offices have a small supply of cheap energy saving fixes that can be made available for free.

You can contact the council office to request a visit on 01304 362363 or at info@walmercouncil.co.uk.



ATTACH 6

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Item: **Calibration Queries**
Date: **10th November 2026**
Meeting: **Climate Emergency Working Group**
From: **Admin Clerk**

When putting the thermal camera in for servicing I asked about the requirements for the calibration of the camera and when it would be needed. The below text is from the emails that I received from RS Components.

First Email:
1. Calibration interval periods vary upon your needs, and the type of instrument, this is normally set by **your own quality system** (unless stipulated by any regulations you are trying to meet).

We at RS cannot recommend any set recalibration intervals for measuring instruments or devices, as intervals depend on a number of factors unknown to us, including:

- Accuracy requirements set by customers
- Requirements set by contract or regulation
- Inherent stability of the specific instrument or device
- Environmental factors that may affect the stability

This is standard across the industry for all accredited laboratories.

I can indicate that *common practice* is typically 12 months but can vary from 28 days to 48 months depending on how critical the measurements are that are taken with the instrument and how much history and confidence you have in the device.

2. The unit would be calibrated and if there were any minor adjustments that could be done they would action this and an RS calibration certificate would be supplied with the unit when sent back.

3. I can advise that we only offer RS Calibration on IR thermometers as anything else falls outside our lab's limitation.

Second email:
The calibration period is down to you , some of our customers have it every 6 months, some every 6 yrs !

But most have annually

It depends on how crucial the item is

But like stated before we only start calibrating this at 30degs, as this is our lowest point we can do.

The thermal camera as used rarely goes above twenty-five degrees, this means the calibrations are for higher temperatures than we usually look for. It may be that the camera will not need yearly checks but could be increased to every two-three years.

Working Group to decide on actions.