



WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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Dated this day 21st March 2024

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

Non-Council Members: Mrs S Fisher, Mr D Thompson

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the **Climate Emergency Working Group** to be held on **28th March 2024 at 7.00pm- 8 The Strand, Walmer** to transact the business shown on the agenda below.

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AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 25th January 2024

Attach 1

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- To note : Update of the Walmer parish carbon footprint was noted at WTC Full Council on 6th March 2024.
- To note : LGA supported 'Motion for the Ocean' was accepted by WTC full council on 7th February with letters sent to DDC, KCC and to Secretary of State, and other DEFRA ministers.

5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Discussion of WTC plastic initiatives and with Pick Deal Clean representative Helen Charlton

6. ONGOING PROJECTS

Transport

• **EV charging points.**

- To note: latest charge point usage figures.
- Monitoring of EV charge point parking spaces

Attach 2

Attach 3

Energy Efficiency

• **Thermal Camera Scheme**

- To note: update from Admin on scheme
- To note: Permission to use TIC pictures in report to DDC Planning and Housing team
- Update on decision for which roads to leaflet in Oct 2024 for service Nov 2024 – Feb 2025.

- Update from Chair on meeting with DDC climate & housing officers Wed 6 March.
- **Climate and Nature Forum**
 - Update from DDC Climate & Nature Forum, from Cllrs Findley and Cllr Waite-Gleave

Local Nature Recovery Strategy

- **Tree Planting**
 - Update from Admin on Tree costing. Attach 4
- **Green Areas**
 - To note Cllr Findley's Green Map of Walmer. Attach 5
- **Churchill Avenue**
 - Churchill Avenue nature garden: Update from admin on arrangements with DDC assets team and DDC officer.
 - Update from chair on volunteer engagement for spring 2024. Nascent community group suggestions on surveys to be done once contract signed with DDC.
- **Walmer Swift Project**
 - Update from Cllr Findley regarding the project
- **Pesticide-Free Towns national movement**
 - Pesticide free public spaces in Walmer. Discussion with DDC about Walmer becoming part of the Pesticide Free Towns: update from Cllr Findley and admin.
 - Update regarding Green areas and DDC land and the request to leave sites unmown for nature recovery.

Waste Reduction

- **Walmer Against Plastic Campaign**
 - To discuss and decide Recommendation from chair: stage 1 of Walmer Against Plastic Pollution (WAPP) campaign. Attach 6
 - Update regarding ACE Recycling for new banks Attach 7

Biodiversity Grant

- To discuss grant application from Deal and Dover District Beekeepers Association. Enc 1

7. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

30th May 2024



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Draft Minutes of the Climate Emergency Working Group Meeting

Held 25th January 2024 at No 8 The Strand, Walmer at 7:00pm

PRESENT: Cllr M Eddy, Cllr L Ludwig, Cllr P Findley, Cllr R Blackwell Cllr S Waite-Gleave (Chairing)

LOCAL RESIDENTS: Mr D Thompson, Mrs S Fisher

GUEST : Mr James Traynor-DDC climate officer

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- Agreed and signed off.
RESOLVED – That the minutes be taken as an accurate record.
 Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
 Seconded by: Cllr Ludwig

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- Briefing with DDC Climate Change officer James Traynor after invitation offered, this included information about council emissions, electric vehicles and storage, nature walks and buying schemes. Mr Traynor was interested in some of the initiatives and information the council has collated, Cllr Waite Gleave to send documents mentioned to DDC officer.

5. PRIORITIES AND ACTIONS

Transport

- **EV charging points.**
 - No update was available for the EV charging points this month.
 - DDC officer informed CEWG that EV point funds Kent 600 and LEVI fund will both be available this year for requests for grants.
 - A total of three cycle routes exist in Dover district., DDC will send a costed plan to make the routes safer for use to KCC to be added to the new DDC walking and cycling plan.

Ongoing projects

- **Thermal Camera Scheme**

- Update on numbers for scheme- **Noted.**
- Request to be made to customers for use of their thermal camera pictures to inform DDC regarding the state of council rented accommodation to help tenants.
- DDC Planning and Housing to be approached regarding council, and other, rented properties, and if there is potential for DDC to make more energy efficient. More information to be put forward via social media once confirmed.
- **Pesticide free towns national movement.**
 - CEWG to recommend to Full Council, KCC and DDC to achieve weed control without the use of pesticides and using alternative methods.
RESOLVED – CEWG recommends to Full Council that we approach DDC and KCC to achieve weed control without pesticides by alternative methods.
Proposed by: Cllr Waite-Gleave
Seconded by: Cllr Eddy

Local Nature Recovery Strategy

- **Tree Planting**
 - Admin seeking costings on trees for various sites.
 - A&E Committee have approved funding of £2000 for the planting of replacement street cherry trees on Salisbury Road.
 - Cllr Waite Gleave applied to Tree Council for 5 fruit trees following consultation with York and Albany Peace Garden group; the application was successful and 5 trees 1.5m tall will be delivered in March. A similar opportunity will be sought for Churchill Avenue Meadow. Cllr Findley to send list of tree funding possibilities.
- **Churchill Ave:**
 - It was noted that the Churchill Avenue project has been accepted by the Full Council at the meeting on 10th January 2024
 - Recommendation to put the contract from DDC before full council at the next meeting.
 - **RESOLVED** – The recommendation be put forward to next full council meeting on 7th February 2024
Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
Seconded by: Cllr Findley
 - Cllr Waite Gleave has been in contact with several groups regarding volunteering for the Churchill Avenue Garden, so far positive responses have been received from schools and guide/scout groups. In addition, several local residents have been interested in forming a group similar to the York and Albany committee.
 - The Management Plan has been deferred to a later meeting once a community group has formed and chosen its committee.
- **Walmer And Deal Action for Swifts Project**
 - The project is currently looking into people to put the swift boxes up, including the need for safety and insurance.

- Green grant application approved at A&E 17/1/24 and passed to WTC full council for February- Noted
- A suggestion was made for WTC to adopt the swift as the Flagship Species for the council similar to other town councils. Cllr Findley to write a small memo for Full Council.

Waste Reduction

- The plastic reduction information is to be edited and resubmitted at the next CEWG Meeting.
- WTC continues to seek DDC help with funding and installation of water refill stations-Noted
- CEWG to lobby Kent Resource Partnership, KCC, DDC and MP to map recycling locations.
- Discussion on possibility of WTC collecting tetrapacks in a gabon cage at events.
- Suggestions were made to contact ACE Recycling regarding the addition to new recycling banks in Walmer.
- Suggestions were made to promote DDC Litter Lotto ; encourage public to sort their waste more effectively.
- The rest of the waste reduction and invitations to community groups was deferred to the next CEWG meeting.
 - **RESOLVED** – To defer reduction of plastic waste to meeting on 28th March 2024
Proposed by: Cllr Waite Gleave
Seconded by: Cllr Eddy
- A recommendation was made to present the 'Motion For The Ocean' tthe next full council meeting.
 - **RESOLVED** – The recommendation to be put forward to next full council meeting on 7th February 2024
Proposed by: Cllr Eddy
Seconded by: Cllr Findley

Vote to continue meeting after 21:00

Proposed by: Cllr Ludwig
Seconded by: Cllr Waite Gleave

Green Areas

- DDC officers meeting with WTC on 10 Jan were inconclusive. Unmown area requests/wildlife corridor site plan to be completed and forwarded for possible meeting between Cllr Findley and Mr Richard Hayes and/or Darren Solley from DDC. Admin to set up meeting.
- Powerpoint and notes regarding the wildlife corridor to be forwarded to all members of the committee.
- Climate change day in November- **Noted**
- KCC Make Space for Nature Campaign launched-**Noted**
- Discussion with DDC officers regarding new management plan for foreshore nature recovery- **Noted**
- Cllr Waite Gleave put WTC motion to KALC AGM- **Noted**

6. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR OBSERVATIONS.

None

7. NEW INITIATIVES

None

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 28th March at 19:00 at No 8 The Strand.

Meeting ended 21:15

DRAFT

Comparison of Walmer parish to Dover district -carbon footprint per household; both methods shown (and PDF printed)

by Cllr S Waite-Gleave (SW-G certified Carbon Literate Jan 2024, trained to use carbon auditing tool 4/12/2023 also 2 day training self paid Zero-Carbon-Britain CAT). Table only to be used with acknowledgement work done by SW-G.

Parish / District	Territorial CO2e fpt per household	Consumption CO2e fpt per household	Key points from territorial breakdown	Key points from consumption breakdown	Do-able actions to target (which also help community)
Walmer Parish	8.45 t CO2e (Housing 3.32 Rd trspt 1.37 Ind & Comm 1.65 Aviation 1.26 Shpg 0.5 Fgases 0.23 Agri 0.08 Waste-mgt 0.04 Othertrns 0 diesel(Rly 0)	15.3t CO2e (gds&servs 5.63 Food&d 3.52 Housing 3.32 Travel 2.79 Waste 0.03)	Housing carbon fpt MORE than district: Road transport LESS than district; Agri much LESS than district. Much lower than district because of travel we have no control over & suburban nature of parish, no agriculture.	All more than district: consumptn goods&services; food & diet; housing; travel; (same as district – waste) Slightly higher than district because slightly better-off = more consumption. BUT note pockets of poverty in Walmer no better-off than district.	Encourage : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> insulation of homes; provision / use public transport & active travel; switch to choice of veggie & local food; Increase in re-use / repair of goods & services.
DOVER DISTRICT	12.6t CO2e (Housing 3.21 Rd trspt 3.18 Ind & Comm 2.62 Aviation 1.37 Shpg 0.55 Fgases 0.36 Agri 1.14 Waste-mgt 0.14 Othertrns 0.02 diesel(Rly 0) 12.59	14.8t CO2e (gds&servs 5.05 Food&d 3.39 Housing 3.21 Travel 3.1 Waste 0.03)	See above	See above	See above

Deal Rugby Club, Walmer 4x7k

Commissioned - 1st Oct 2021

						Finance			
	Sessions	Average Session Duration (minutes)	Energy (kWh)	Energy costs	Annual O&M costs	Revenue (exc vat)	Net Profit	Profit Share	
Year 1	Oct-21	16	63	101	£19.57	£23.07			
	Nov-21	33	187	399	£63.74	£84.79			
	Dec-21	55	74	330	£54.01	£70.79			
	Jan-22	53	188	594	£92.03	£125.10			
	Feb-22	22	357	415	£65.63	£86.61			
	Mar-22	50	194	557	£86.70	£116.39			
	Apr-22	27	323	484	£75.98	£100.97			
	May-22	24	333	415	£66.25	£86.75			
	Jun-22	44	354	649	£159.25	£190.77			
	Jul-22	36	341	533	£132.91	£155.54			
	Aug-22	42	209	668	£163.96	£195.57			
	Sep-22	23	176	495	£123.83	£144.50			
TOTAL	425	233.25	5640	£1,103.86	£712.00	£1,380.85	-£435.01	£0	
Year 2	Oct-22	40	253	821	£199.15	£239.71			
	Nov-22	39	373	976	£234.46	£285.06			
	Dec-22	50	413	1449	£343.59	£423.38			
	Jan-23	18	325	464	£117.04	£135.35			
	Feb-23	6	209	120	£36.92	£35.93			
	Mar-23	49	498	1815	£427.77	£529.93			
	Apr-23	43	435	1261	£297.71	£367.97			
	May-23	50	464	1649	£389.59	£481.53			
	Jun-23	65	437	2208	£517.82	£644.87			
	Jul-23	71	435	2638	£617.06	£808.67			
	Aug-23	59	391	1440	£341.18	£600.91			
	Sep-23			1514	£287.66	£620.74			
TOTAL	490	384.8182	16355	£3,809.95	£783.90	£5,174.05	£580.20	£174.06	
Year 3	Oct-23			1163	£220.97	£581.50			
	Nov-23			1082	£205.58	£541.00			
	Dec-23			1442	£273.98	£721.00			
	Jan-24			1307	£248.33	£653.50			
	Total	0	#DIV/0!	4994	£700.53	£837.20	£2,497.00	£1,269.34	£380.80

Good Morning,

If possible could the following be discussed at the next meeting or passed to the relevant person(s)?

In particular, the points at Deal and Walmer Rugby Club. I note that previous meeting minutes indicate that their use has been monitored/discussed.

I would like know if the regular restrictions on their use have been incorporated into the figures?

Out of the four spaces 1-2 are regularly parked in by others and the house adjacent to 2 spaces had scaffolding for a significant amount of time.

I have added some recent pictures for ease (not to out the van/car users).



As you can see with the 2 x7kw chargers blocked users are forced to use 22kw and the parking adjacent to the spaces cause mayhem if they are not parked tight.

Users of chargers have to pull in tight to the wet, scratchy verge and either navigate through it to access the charger or leave the charger sticking out to main route of traffic.

I like others do avoid using when games are on as understandably attendees park in the spaces regardless of fuel type, however, it is important to note that figures may be far from accurate due to considerable barriers in using.

Kind regards,

Angela Wilton

Approximately two years ago a similar problem was brought up to the council. Officers looked into the possibility of Enforcement but were unable to find anyone willing to take up the contract due to the small number of spaces. Therefore the decision was made that Cllrs that were nearby would put a leaflet on the cars. (See Below)

TAKE NOTE


YOU ARE PARKED IN A

**ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING
POINT ZONE**

Your Vehicle registration number has been noted and is recorded.

If this vehicle is parked here again we will have it clamped/towed away at your expense

Walmer Town Council, 62 The Strand, Walmer



Members to Decide action.

Good afternoon,

So typically we carry trees around 6/7ft which could be easily staked if needed. The trees in your first list would typically all be £49.90 (we can do a discount for you of 20% so they'll come down to £39.92) as a potted tree, cheaper if we can get them bare root but that window of opportunity is closing quickly! Of the list given we currently only have the Rowan (*Sorbus auc.*) on site, we can certainly get the others in for you but we would need to do that quite quickly.

We do have types/sports of the list, for example crab apple is *Malus sylvestris*, we don't have that form but we have 4 other types of *Malus*.

With regards to the fruit trees, we have around 10 varieties of apple, 5 cherries, 5 plums... they're all £39.90 potted, again slightly cheaper bare root and we do have lots of varieties both potted and bare root on site.

We can get Medlar and Quince in for you and again price wise will be around the same. We do have Kent Cob on site at the moment as a bare root tree (we can pot it for you) and they're currently £25

I hope this helps, any questions either email or call the nursery on 01304 613150

Kind regards

Sarah

SALES ESTIMATE 89784



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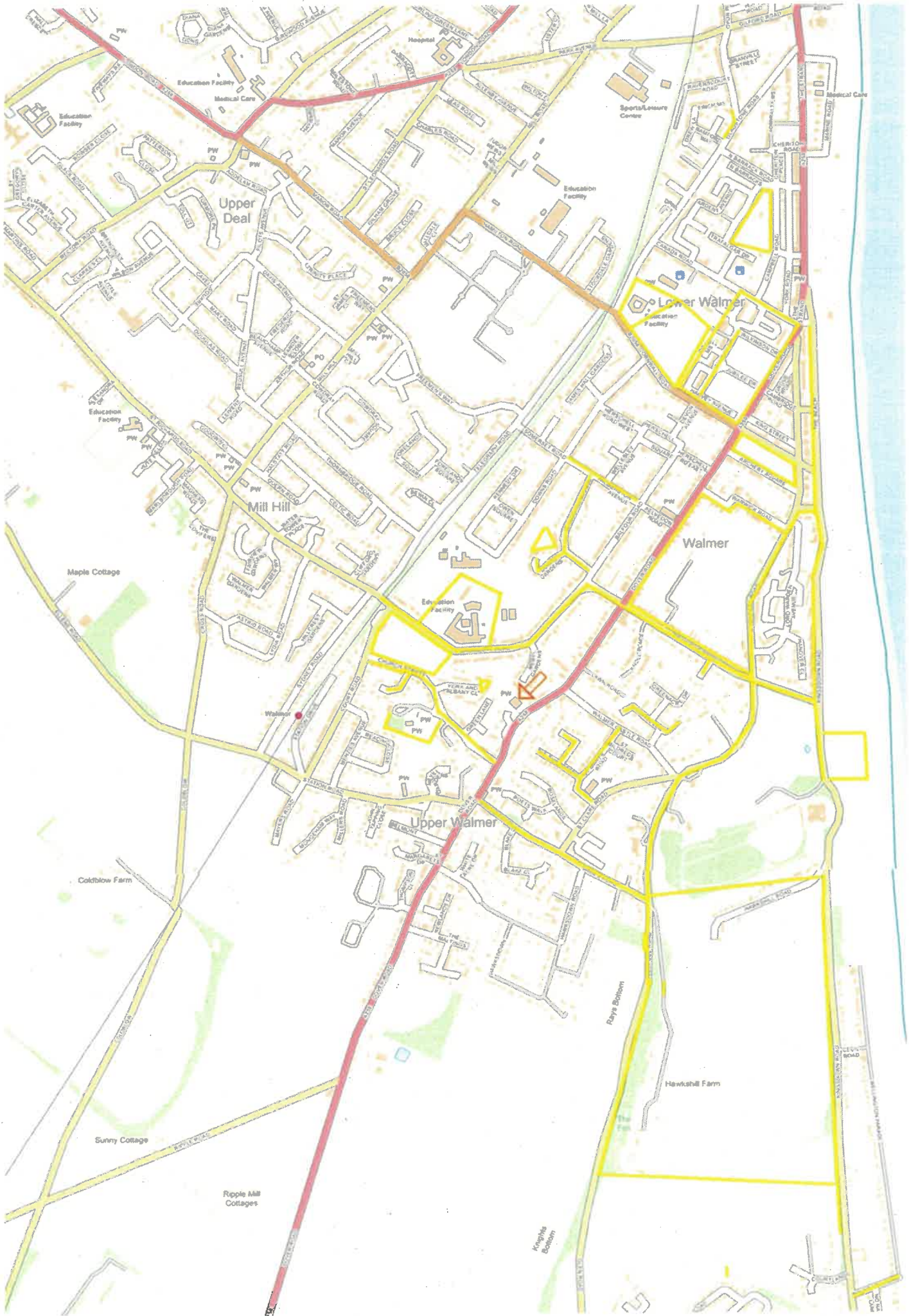
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1	Prunus avium	Regular	RB	6-8 LS	—	57.42	57.42 O1
1	Malus sylvestris	Regular	RB	6-8 LS	—	91.87	91.87 Z0
1	Fruit Trees					0.00	0.00 O1
1	Malus domestica 'Cox's Orange Pippin'	Regular	CG	6-8 LS	—	77.35	77.35 Z0
1	Pyrus communis	Regular	OG	6-8 LS	—	44.02	44.02 Z0
1	Prunus avium 'Stella'	Regular	OG	6-8 LS	—	35.37	35.37 O1
1	Prunus domestica 'Victoria'	Regular	CG	6-8 LS	—	46.35	46.35 Z0
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1	Cydonia oblonga	Regular	RB	10-12 SS	—	116.44	116.44 Z0
1	Morus nigra	Regular	RB	8-10 S	—	133.99	133.99 Z0
1	Mespilus germanica	Regular	OG	8-10 S	—	114.85	114.85 Z0
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Recommendation: That WTC instigates a **Walmer Against Plastic Pollution (WAPP)** campaign in summer 2024, to include the simple, cost-effective, or cost-free, actions listed in the report below. Part 1 of 2.

Report : With Walmer TC doing more than many level 1 councils to bring the community together with events including hospitality, Walmer TC is in a position to help residents, organisations and businesses within our parish and visitors to our parish reduce the plastic part of their carbon footprint. With greater public awareness of the negative effects on health of nanoplastics on our bodies, we expect this campaign to be popular with Walmer residents and visitors.

Actions relating to cleaning up plastic pollution and encouraging more of the public to sort and recycle more to be put on agenda of CEWG March 28th to be discussed and decided.

(Actions relating to helping WalmerTC & Walmer organisations to cut our parish's consumption of fossil-fuel derived plastics : to be held over for the CEWG agenda of May 2024, to be discussed and decided at May meeting.)

Actions to clean up plastic pollution.

- Support the 5 annual DealWithIt Walmer beach cleans with publicity. (see overleaf)
- Organise a WAPP litter pick inland in Walmer, during annual Great British Spring Clean each year (in 2024 15th – 31 March 2024). This could be an annual joint WalmerTC / PickDealClean event.
- Explicitly thank DealWithIt and PickDealClean for the work their volunteers do in Walmer.
- Create a Single A4 Information sheet, for residents reporting concerns about litter / plastic pollution ; likely to involve referring public to <https://www.dover.gov.uk/Environment/Environmental-Crime/Environmental-Crime.aspx>

Actions to encourage more of the public to sort and 'recycle' plastic waste more often.

- A drop-off point for tetrapaks at back of WTC office; cllr SWG of CEWG to take to Whitfield Tesco carpark to put in <https://ace-uk.co.uk> recycling container once a month. To note : Avoiding tetrapaks, preferring glass as liquid containers is much more sustainable, however we view it as constructive to offer help. Lightweight metal container needed, eg Gabion like this <https://www.vidaxl.co.uk/e/vidaxl-gabion-wall-with-covers-galvanised-steel-100x20x100-cm/8719883592138.html> The WTC drop-off for tetrapaks & info sheets on WAPP could also be available at the WTC gazebo during events on Walmer Green.
- Publicise / Share twice a year to public, on our FB WTC page, information on how to select what waste goes in which bin in order to reduce the contamination of recycling. <https://www.dover.gov.uk/Recycling--Waste/Dont-let-your-recycling-go-to-waste.aspx>
- Publicise household battery recycling near Walmer, at Coop shop Mill Hill. (recycle-more.co.uk search for CT14 7QU)
- Publicise / share <https://www.kent.gov.uk/environment-waste-and-planning/rubbish-and-recycling/device-recycling-scheme>

To note: Point 1. Some level 1 coastal councils such as Porlock in Somerset have teamed up with Surfers against Sewage on time-consuming processes to sign up all organisations within their parish to become 'Plastic-Free'. Community groups locally in Walmer and Deal have tried a Plastic Free Deal 2018-2022 and found it very time-consuming and heavy on administration so not effective. Point 2. After research, we don't recommend using Terracycle.com to collect, e.g. crisp/snack packets, as, despite pretence of recycling, packets go to incineration, same as with Veolia greytopped bins.

Further 2024 dates for DWI beach cleans in WALMER are

Sun 5th May 9:30 meet on beach east of public toilet near Walmer Castle

Sun 9th June 9.30am meet by Sea Café on Walmer Green

Sun 13th October 10am meet on beach east of by public toilet near Walmer Castle

Sun 8th December 10am by Sea Café on Walmer Green

Suggest office should share FB post from Deal With It – Transition Deal to Walmer Town Council page 1 week before each beach clean, and put paper A4 notice on Walmer TC office window and noticeboard.

Hi John,

ATTACH 7

Thank you for your email.

I'm afraid we are no longer implementing any new collection points under our fully funded scheme. Should any new collection points be implemented, this would need to be done as part of a separate agreement with the collection contractor, Printwaste Recycling.

If you would like to contact Printwaste for more information and a quote, they would be more than happy to assist.

www.printwaste.co.uk / 01242 588600

Many thanks



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