

WALMER TOWN COUNCIL

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Report of the Climate Emergency Working Group Meeting Held 19th January 2022 Via Zoom

Present Cllrs J Lonsdale (Chair) M Eddy, Cllr Mrs S Le Chevalier (taking notes) Cllr Mrs S Fisher

Apologies Cllr P St Ange, Cllr D Thompson

Minutes of the Meeting 12th October 2021 Agreed as accurate

Matters Arising not covered elsewhere - none

Priorities and Actions

1 Transport

EV Charging Points

KCC have supplied a usage chart. 104 uses since installed. Upward trend in use.

Still no signs in place JL to chase. JL has emailed KCC to enquire of availability of more land for EV points.

Electric Buses/106 Funds.

Copy of letter sent to DDC by JL received. No reply, yet.

Copy to report sent to DDC Officers following meeting. JL to chase matters raised in the letter.

Cycle storage at Walmer Railway Station - No Announcement to date.

2. Biodiversity

Biodiversity on DDC Land. SLC had emailed Martin Leggatt about the cutting of the land adjacent to Borrow Pit Car Park. SLC to chase.

Free Trees for Residents Cllr DT not present. Item deferred

Bee Bombs for residents. Live on social media for only 24 hours. Already sixty expressions of interest, fifty-two in Walmer. Level of interest with Deal Town Council.

JL suggests a small area at the bottom of WTC owned York & Albany Close could be wilded using BeeBombs. To be raised at A&E.

3. 62, The Strand.

Finance agreed for some parts of the scheme, in particular the extension. JL to represent to Full Council in more detail the items that will generate the most return

4. Outside Projects.

Outdoor Gym – TRIM TRAIL

Clerk Richard Styles and Deputy Roland Aldred have received a list of potential funding sources. SF, DT and RA meeting 21/01 to progress

Thermal Heat-loss Camera- Following press release in EK Mercury, twenty-five expressions of interest from Walmer and wider area. The Office to manage appointments/visits.

5. New Projects/AOB

JL & ME to speak to RS and RA in order to increase the public profile of the work of the CEWG. RA to be asked to provide a report to Full Council outlining uptake of EV charging points, BeeBombs and Thermal Camera. New sources in particular social media to be engaged.

6 Next meeting Thursday 3rd March 2022 7.30pm Zoom.