

Pwyllgor Cittaslow

Cittaslow Committee

Agenda 26.07.2022

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| <p>1. Ethol Cadeirydd y Pwyllgor.
I benodi Cadeirydd am y flwyddyn i ddod.</p> | <p>Election of Committee Chair.
To appoint a Chair for the ensuing year.</p> |
| <p>2. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.
I dderbyn, ystyried a derbyn Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.</p> | <p>Apologies for absence.
To receive, consider and accept apologies for absence.</p> |
| <p>3. Datganiadau o Fuddiant.
I dderbyn unrhyw ddatganiadau o fuddiant ar eitemau ar yr agenda.</p> | <p>Declaration of Interest.
To receive any known declarations of interest in items on the agenda.</p> |
| <p>4. Ethol Is-Gadeirydd Pwyllgor.
I benodi Is-Gadeirydd am y flwyddyn i ddod.</p> | <p>Election of Committee Vice Chair.
To appoint a Chair for the ensuing year.</p> |
| <p>5. Cofnodion.
I awdurdodi'r Cadeirydd i arwyddo cofnodion yr cyfarfod blaenorol y Pwyllgor fel cofnod cywir.</p> | <p>Minutes.
To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee as a correct record.</p> |
| <p>6. Adroddiadau Clerc y Dref.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Penodi Aelodau heb bleidlais.b) Cynrychiolydd i fod yn aelod o Fwrdd Cittaslow UK.c) Dydd Sul Cittaslow | <p>Town Clerks reports.
Appointment of Non-voting members.
Representative to sit on the Cittaslow UK Board.
Cittaslow Sunday</p> |

Adroddiadau.

Mae adroddiadau yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid ydynt wedi'u cyfieithu.

Reports.

Reports are working documents and are therefore not translated.

REPORT AUTHORS: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Non-voting members.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider the co-option of non-voting members.

2.0 Background.

- 2.1 Under the Cittaslow and Climate Change Committee's terms of reference it may co-opt non-voting members and appoint appropriate Subcommittees or Working Groups to facilitate the work of the Committee.

- 2.2 At the Committee meeting held on the 11 March 2021, resolved to invite the following organisations to consider coopting individuals to sit on the Committee as non-voting members:-

- Llangollen Friends of the Earth.
- South Denbighshire Community Partnership.
- Llangollen Food Share.

- 2.3 Members are invited to consider whether: -

- Co-option is needed and if so what number of cooption's are appropriate.
- The organisations listed are still appropriate and if not suggest alternatives.

4. Recommendation.

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Committee considers the co-option of non-voting members on the Committee

5. Reason for the recommendation.

- 5.1 To ensure effective corporate governance.

REPORT AUTHORS: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Representative to sit on the Cittaslow UK Board.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider the appointment of a Committee Members to sit on the UK Cittaslow Board.

2.0 Background.

- 2.1 There are currently three towns in the UK, and all joined Cittaslow for varied reasons, but all work together to strengthen and develop the national network and agrees to adopt the following principles fostering economic, social and environmental sustainability:
- Encourage and celebrate diversity rather than standardisation
 - Support and promote local culture and local traditions
 - Work for a more sustainable environment
 - Raise awareness and appreciation of local produce and local businesses
 - Promote healthy eating and healthy living
 - Promote justice and social inclusion
 - Work with the local community to build on these principles
- 2.2 Cittaslow UK does not have a Head Office, responsibilities and activities are shared between the volunteer members in each of the member towns. Presently, Aylsham acts as the secretariat for Cittaslow UK, Mold looks after finances and Llangollen is the international link. The Cittaslow UK Board holds an Annual General Meeting at which member towns elect a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer of the national network. The Chair is also the National Coordinator. The Board of Cittaslow UK usually meets twice a year and all member towns are invited to send representatives to each meeting, in person or by video conferencing.
- 2.3 Given that the previous representative is no longer a member of the Town Council, Committee needs to consider the appointment of a Members to sit on the UK Cittaslow Board.

4. Recommendation.

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Committee considers the appointment of a Member to sit on the on the Cittaslow UK Board.

5. Reason for the recommendation.

- 5.1 To ensure effective corporate governance and cooperation with other Cittaslow towns in the UK.

REPORT AUTHORS: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Cittaslow Sunday 2022.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider if the Committee wish to undertake any specific event to celebrate Cittaslow Sunday 2022.

2.0 Background.

- 2.1 President, Gian Luca Marconi establishes the first world Cittaslow Day and this day, has been celebrated each year when towns are encouraged to organise one or more local initiative to promote and disseminate the concept of Cittaslow to encourage collective action.
- 2.2 This year Cittaslow Sunday is 25 September 2022, but events planned seven days earlier or later than this date will also be considered appropriate. There are already several Cittaslow members that have indicated that they are proposing events and Cittaslow HQ in Orvieto are keen to hear from other towns so that a comprehensive programme can be included on a Cittaslow Sunday 2022 calendar.
- 2.3 Cittaslow International have produced the logo detailed below for use on promotional activities.

3. Cittaslow Llangollen.

- 3.1 In the past Cittaslow Llangollen has hosted networking events to support Cittaslow Sunday and consideration should be given as to whether the Committee wishes to undertake any events this year

4. Recommendation.

- 4.1 It is recommended that the Committee considers activities that could be initiated to celebrate Cittaslow Sunday 2022

5. Reason for the recommendation.

- 5.1 To foster economic, social and environmental sustainability in line with Town Council and Cittaslow initiatives.



Pwyllgor Cittaslow

Cittaslow Committee

Agenda 11.10.2022.

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| 1. Cyhoeddiadau'r Cadeirydd. | Chairs announcements. |
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Pwyllgor fel cofnod cywir. | Minutes.
To authorise the Chair to sign the minutes of
the previous meeting of the Committee as a
correct record.
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| 5. Adroddiadau Clerc y Dref.
a) Adroddiad o'r grŵp tasg a gorffen.
b) Cylch gwaith pwyllgor. | Town Clerks reports.
Networking events 2022.23.
Committee remit. |
| 6. Gohebiaeth.
Hysbysiad o Cittaslow International Co-
ordinating Committee ar ddydd Sadwrn 26
Tachwedd 2022, am 9.30 am Convento
dell'Annunciata, via Pontida Abbiategrosso,
yr Eidal. | Correspondence.
Notification of Cittaslow International
Coordinating Committee on Saturday 26
November 2022, at 9.30 am Convento
dell'Annunciata, via Pontida Abbiategrosso,
Italy.
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REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Networking events 2022.23.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider Cittaslow networking events 2022.23

2. Background.

- 2.1 The Cittaslow Committees has, successfully, in the past engaged with groups and organisations in Llangollen whose work aligns with Cittaslow aims in order to exchange information and build a shared understanding to identify ways to mutually support and reinforce each other's work.
- 2.2 The purpose, of these events was to help the Cittaslow Committee identify areas where the Town Council could offer support, or other interventions, to adopt good environmental practices and encourages and support practical projects that help local people and local businesses through the maintenance of the unique traditions, strengths and character of the community.
- 2.3 Pre-pandemic face to face networking meetings were undertaken and latterly due to restrictions a series of online webinars were held. In addition, an interactive website has been created which in turn feeds into the Cittaslow newsletter a citizen journalism project.
- 2.3 Successful community engagement is about making people feel that your project or idea is meaningful to their lives and inspiring them to want to participate in your future work. There is no right or wrong approach to community engagement because every community differs in its characteristics and meaningful community engagement will involve multiple engagement tools and techniques each targeted at reaching different parts of a community

3. Future networking.

- 3.1 In moving forward the Committee needs to be mindful of the extensive amount of consultation and engagement that has taken place in the community in relation to the preparation of the Caru Love Llangollen Peoples Plan and in the implementation of the 2020 highways scheme. Future networking should therefore be complimentary and specific to the requirements of the Committee to assist delivery against its remit.

4. Recommendation.

- 4.1. It is recommended that the Cittaslow Committee considers future networking proposals.

5. Reasons for recommendation.

- 5.1 To bring forward proposals in line with the Committee's terms of reference.

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Committee remit.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider expanding the remit of the Committee.

2. Background.

- 2.1 Each Cittaslow town agrees to adopt the following principles fostering economic, social and environmental sustainability: -

- Encourage and celebrate diversity rather than standardisation.
- Support and promote local culture and local traditions.
- Work for a more sustainable environment.
- Raise awareness and appreciation of local produce and local businesses.
- Promote healthy eating and healthy living.
- Work with the local community to build on these principles.

- 2.2 Cittaslow is not anti-progress or anti-technology. It is a forward thinking movement that aims to use cutting edge solutions in communications, transport, hospitality, consumption, commerce and administration to improve peoples' lives in a sustainable manner.

- 2.3 Clearly since the movement was established in the late 1980's, as a response to what many viewed as the negative health, social and economic impacts of "fast food" culture the world has changed significantly with the introduction of advanced technological solutions and most significantly the effects of climate change.

- 2.4 Climate change poses a fundamental threat to the places, species and people's livelihoods and to adequately address this crisis the global society must urgently reduce carbon pollution and prepare for the consequences of global warming, which the world is already experiencing.

- 2.5 Working within the Cittaslow principles fostering economic, social and environmental sustainability the goal of working for a more sustainable environment must be the prime motivating factor for Cittaslow Llangollen. Without global environmental stability and security the ethos of Cittaslow towns would be hard to achieve.

- 2.6 Clearly there is significant overlap between other Cittaslow aims and the need to tackle climate change such as supporting and promote local culture and local traditions and raising awareness and appreciation of local produce and local businesses all of which have and can continue to support local food production with a knock on effect of lowering food miles, CO² emissions and local awareness of issues.

3. Current policy framework

- 3.1 Welsh Government

The Environment (Wales) Act 2016 (2016 Act) marked a step change in Wales' approach to tackling climate change. Progressing from an annual (non-statutory) target of a 3% year-on-year reduction, the Act placed new duties on the Welsh Government to ensure greenhouse gas emissions reduce. It also introduced a carbon budgeting method to measure progress towards reducing emissions.

- 3.2 The Act set a target for an 80% reduction in emissions by 2050 and a duty to set interim targets for 2020, 2030 and 2040. Following advice from the UK Climate Change Committee in April and December 2017, the interim emissions targets and first two carbon budgets were set in regulations in December 2018.
- 3.3 In March 2019, the Welsh Government published Prosperity for All: A low carbon Wales. This low carbon delivery plan set out how Wales aimed to meet the first carbon budget (2016-2020) and the 2020 interim target through 100 policies and proposals across Ministerial portfolios.
- 3.4 In 2019 the CCC advised the Welsh Government to amend its 2050 target and reduce emissions by 95% by that date. The Welsh Government accepted this advice and declared its ambition to achieve net-zero by 2050. Revised advice from the UK Climate Change Committee in December 2020 recommended that Wales should set and pursue the more ambitious net-zero by 2050 target.
- 3.5 Denbighshire County Council
Declared a Climate Change and Ecological Emergency in July 2019. and hope to make our contribution to see carbon emissions reduce to net zero in Wales by 2050 by delivering on the statutory duty as a local authority to maintain and enhance biodiversity and promote resilience of ecosystems as outlined in the 2016 Act and by March 2030 the Council aims to become a net carbon zero and ecologically positive council

4. Town Council.

- 4.1 In the context of the Town Council the 2016 Act also placed the responsibility on the council to report regularly through Section 6 notices, which is undertaken annually in December. In October 2020 the also Town Council declared a climate and ecological emergency; pledging to work towards making Llangollen carbon neutral by 2030. Subsequently a climate action plan was adopted in order to address those issues which the Town Council could itself implement. Efforts have been made to establish a local community climate committee which due to the pandemic was not successful and further action on this needs to be taken.
- 4.2 In addition, the "The Peoples Plan". also known as Caru Llangollen. prepared by the Llangollen Town Team on behalf of the Town Council has within it objectives as follows;
 - Improve the collaboration between local organisations.
 - Increase the number of people involved with supporting our local community.
 - Improve the quality of Llangollen's streetscape and outdoor public spaces.
 - Sustainable management of tourism.

- Support DCC to reach their recycling targets.
- Establish a green energy infrastructure and enable residents and businesses to reduce their carbon footprint and cater for changing demands and address the Climate and Ecological Emergency.
- Encourage local residents to sustainably manage our natural resources.

4.3 The UK Climate Change Committee highlights that gaps remain, particularly the lack of underlying indicators to measure progress, and that Wales is not currently on track to meet an 80% emissions reduction target by 2050, let alone net-zero. Given these factors considerable sustained effort must be made to accelerate energy efficiency measures across the council.

4.4 Within the policy context nationally, regionally and locally there are significant overlaps between the various layers of responsibility within the Town Council, the Cittaslow Committee and the work of local groups and organisations in the field of climate change. Additionally recent global events will increase pressure on the town council's budget in relation to cost of energy and therefore it would be appropriate if the Cittaslow Committee considers expanding its brief to provide oversight and guidance in respect to coordinate the Town Council's response to the climate change emergency.

4.5 In order to facilitate this additions to the remit of the committee would be required as illustrated in the appended new terms and conditions.

5. Recommendation

5.1 It is recommended that the Committee considers the report with a view to seeking the approval of the Town Council to expand its remit, as defined in the report, in order that the Committee can formulate the appropriate guidance and coordination of the Town Council's response to the climate change emergency.

6. Reasons for recommendation.

6.1 To ensure effective corporate governance and appropriate responses to the challenge of climate change and local biodiversity .

Appendix.

	Existing remit	Revised
	Cittaslow Committee	Climate Change and Cittaslow Committee.
1.	The Committee shall be administered and managed in accordance with scheme of delegation and these Terms of Reference.	The Committee shall be administered and managed in accordance with scheme of delegation and these Terms of Reference.
2.	The Committee shall meet at least four times a year and the dates shall be included in the Schedule of Meetings.	The Committee shall meet at least four times a year and the dates shall be included in the Schedule of Meetings.
3.	The objective of the Committee shall be to improve the quality of life in Llangollen by progressing the Cittaslow aims in an efficient and cost-effective manner.	The objective of the Committee shall be to improve the quality of life in Llangollen by addressing <u>climate change issues</u> and Cittaslow aims in an efficient and cost-effective manner.
4.	The Committee may co-opt non-voting members and appoint appropriate Subcommittees or Working Groups to facilitate the work of the Committee.	The Committee may co-opt non-voting members and appoint appropriate Subcommittees or Working Groups to facilitate the work of the Committee.
5.	The Cittaslow Committee shall have delegated powers:-	The Committee shall have delegated powers:-
a)	To spend to the amount specified in the allocated Cittaslow cost code.	to spend to the amount specified in the allocated Community cost code <u>in an efficient and cost-effective manner.</u>
b)		<u>to improve the quality of life in Llangollen by progressing the Cittaslow aims.</u>
c)		<u>to assist the Town Council in becoming a carbon-neutral organisation by 2025.</u>
6.	The Committee's remit shall extend to:-	The Committee's remit shall extend to:-
a)	Ensuring on-going community involvement.	Ensure on-going community involvement.
b)	Supporting and promoting local culture and local traditions.	Support and promoting local <u>businesses</u> culture, traditions, <u>produce</u> .
c)	Working for a more sustainable environment.	Work for a more sustainable environment by <u>encouraging sustainable transport initiatives, sustainable energy use, reducing energy consumption, reductions in use of plastics, maximise recycling and use materials efficiently.</u>
d)	Raising awareness and appreciation of local produce and local businesses.	Raise awareness and appreciation of local produce and local businesses.
e)	Promoting healthy eating and healthy living.	Promote healthy eating and healthy living.
f)	Protecting, conserve and enhance the natural environment and biodiversity.	Protect, conserve and enhance the natural environment and biodiversity.
g)	Encouraging and celebrating diversity.	Encouraging and celebrating diversity.

h)	Co-ordinate initiatives and grant applications in line with the agreed strategy for the future of the town.	<u>Ensure the Town Council's compliance with the Environment (Wales) Act 2016</u>
i)	Assisting with and where appropriate delivering projects.	<u>Review the Town Council's Biodiversity Plan</u>
j)		<u>Review the Town Council's Climate and Ecological Emergency Action Plan.</u>
k)		<u>Coordinate the Town Council's strategic actions on Climate change and biodiversity.</u>
l)		<u>Represent the views and needs of relevant community organisations or community members regarding the climate emergency and biodiversity.</u>
m)		<u>Ensure on-going community involvement in the work of the Committee</u>
n)		<u>Administer the Community Support Grants scheme</u>
o)		Assist with, and where appropriate, deliver projects.

**Pwyllgor Hinsawdd, Cittaslow
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**Climate, Cittaslow and Ecology
Committee.**

**Agenda
31.01.2023.**

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| <p>1. Cyhoeddiadau'r Cadeirydd.</p> | <p>Chairs announcements.</p> |
| <p>2. Ymddiheuriadau am absenoldeb.
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| <p>5. Adroddiadau Clerc y Dref.
I derbyn ac ystyried adroddiadau a gwneud unrhyw benderfyniadau angenrheidiol arno. Mae adroddiadau yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid ydynt wedi'u cyfieithu.</p> <p>a) Cynllun gweithredu argyfwng hinsawdd ac ecolegol</p> <p>b) Ansawdd dŵr Afon Dyfrdwy.</p> | <p>Town Clerks reports.
To receive and consider reports and to make any necessary decisions thereon. Reports are working documents and are therefore not translated.</p> <p>Climate and ecological emergency action plan.</p> <p>River Dee water quality.</p> |
| <p>6. Adroddiadau i'r Pwllgor.
I dderbyn adroddiadau a gyflwynwyd i'r Cyngor Tref a phenderfynu pa gamau, os o gwbl, i'w cymryd. Mae adroddiadau yn ddogfennau gwaith ac felly nid ydynt wedi'u cyfieithu.</p> <p>a) Cyng Ferron, Bwrdd Cittaslow UK. (Diweddariad ar lafar)</p> <p>b) Cyng Susanthan, Rhandiroedd. (Diweddariad ar lafar)</p> | <p>Reports to Committee.
To receive reports submitted to the Town Council and determine what action, if any, to be taken. Reports are working documents and are therefore not translated.</p> <p>Cllr Ferron, Cittaslow UK Board. (Verbal update)</p> <p>Cllr Susanthan, Allotments. (Verbal update)</p> |
| <p>7. Gohebiaeth.
I ystyried gohebiaeth a dderbyniwyd ac i wneud unrhyw benderfyniadau angenrheidiol arno. (Gellir derbyn gohebiaeth ar ôl i'r agenda gael ei chyhoeddi a gellir ei hystyried yn y cyfarfod hwn).</p> | <p>Correspondence.
To consider correspondence received and to make any necessary decisions thereon. (Correspondence can be received after the agenda has been published and may be considered at this meeting).</p> |

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: Climate and ecological emergency action plan.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider progress on Llangollen Town Council's climate and ecological emergency action plan.

2. Background.

- 2.1 The Town Council has declared a climate and ecological emergency pledging to work towards making Llangollen carbon neutral by 2030. In pursuant to this the Town Council resolved to establish a Community Climate Change Committee to develop an action plan, as a matter of urgency, based on an ongoing climate and ecological risk assessment was prepared in order to regularly report back to Members.

3. Llangollen Town Council operations and services.

- 3.1 Whilst the Town Council has neither the powers nor resources to directly drive down local level emissions which are the responsibility of individuals and organisations, it does have an important role, through its networks and relationships which can be used to assist and influence key stakeholders.
- 3.2 Town and Community Councils alone cannot address all issues in a community that have an effect climate change, but they can demonstrate leadership through practical actions such as: -
- Saving energy by making council buildings as energy efficient as possible
 - Produce green energy using solar PV, at council buildings.
 - Reduce pesticide use and other harmful activities.
 - Manage land they own for nature.
 - By increase tree cover on land they own or by encouraging and supporting landowners to take part in tree planting.
 - Buy green and buying local can support the local economy and buying green can help protect the planet. Buying green electricity helps develop new renewable energy and ensures the council is not supporting dirty energy financially.
 - Ensure money is invested wisely cross the UK, local authorities are investing tens of millions of pounds each into fossil fuel companies, despite having declared a climate emergency through their investments. Although investments will be tiny in comparison, councils should still ensure any council funds are invested safely in low-risk sustainable banks or investment funds.
 - Using powers wisely by ensure Members know the climate change or nature implications of decisions before they make them and this should extend to demanding that the planning authority provides you with this kind of information when consulting you.

- Through lobbying as decisions on infrastructure projects are largely made by local authorities, local partnerships, or by national government. The Town Councils should use their voice, when possible, to oppose high-carbon developments and promote sustainable alternatives.

3.3 As part of this process the Town Council itself has to look at how its operations and policies will contribute to carbon neutrality by 2030 and therefore on the 20 April 2021 an action plan was adopted.

3.6 The plan, detailed as Annex A, identifies actions that the Town council needs to undertake to successfully achieve its net carbon zero goal by 2030. These actions are categorised as follows.

- Achieved
- In progress
- Further action required.

3.7 This is a not an exhaustive list; other things may be implemented that do not feature in response to new opportunities. Future change should seek to enhance existing facilities where possible, and to make best use of existing Town Council and community assets to drive improvements. In developing the action plan Members should be cognisant that there are modest solutions that can be achieved relatively quickly and at little or no cost. However, some issues will be more complex and will have significant financial implications.

4. Recommendation.

4.1 It is recommended that the Town Council considers and refines the action plan.

5. Reasons for recommendation.

5.1 To ensure good governance of Town Council affairs in line with the declared climate and ecological emergency.

LLANGOLLEN TOWN COUNCIL'S CLIMATE AND ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN.

Status	
Achieved	Green
In progress	Yellow
Further action required	Red

SHORT TERM ACTIONS	PURPOSE	LEAD	TARGET DATE	STATUS	EVALUATION
Review office workings and operations to ensure reduction, re-use and recycling.	Lower the carbon footprint.	TC/FO	Ongoing.	Green	Continuing
Continue to ensure that any Town Council organised events use locally sourced food, wherever possible and avoid single use tableware.	Influence behavioural changes/support Plastic Free Llangollen/reduce food miles.	FO	Ongoing.	Green	Events organised by the Town Council use local caterers with a commitment to using locally sourced food.
Use environmentally sustainable cleaning and hygiene products.	Use of non-toxic, and biodegradable ingredients that do not negatively impact the environment.	TC/FO	Ongoing.	Green	Enviro Range products being substitute when current stocks of cleaning, and hygiene products are used up.
Responses to planning applications.	To develop carbon neutral properties /eliminating waste through the design of the buildings.	LTC	Ongoing.	Green	Continuing
Statutory consultations.	Ensure development plans identify sites for zero-carbon (e.g., Passivhaus standard) and nature friendly/homes should also be fitted with renewable energy and located	LTC	Ongoing.	Green	Continuing

	close to amenities and public transport to avoid car dependency.				
Continue to support water bottle re-fill scheme through local businesses.	To support Plastic Free Llangollen targets.	CCC	Ongoing.		Continuing
Considering a suitable renewable energy supplier.	Lower carbon footprint.	AMC	April 2021.		Achieved moved to Good Energy in October 2021.
When awarding contracts for goods and services, ensure that our commitment to reducing our environmental impact is considered in terms of quality criteria, alongside price.	Influence behavioural changes in contractors/lower the carbon footprint.	TC	May 2021.		Continuing local suppliers are considered before other contractors to reduce journey time and support the local economy
Establish the Community Climate Change Committee comprising Town Councillors and local residents and experts to focus on addressing the acknowledged environmental crisis, explore ideas and prioritise community wide actions.	A group to feedback via Councillor representatives to LTC on a longer-term Community Climate Change Action plan.	TC	June 2021.		One meeting arranged but there was a poor turn out. Need to review the process of engagement.
Work with the Town Team to ensure the developing place plan includes policies to encourage renewable energy and highly energy efficient homes.	To ensure the final plan address the issues of the climate and ecological emergency.	TC	June 2021.		The plan has a goal to act on the causes and impacts of climate change by supporting, empowering and championing action in the wider community.
MEDIUM TERM ACTIONS	PURPOSE	LEAD	TARGET DATE	STATUS	EVALUATION
Continue to replace lighting stock with LED.	To lower energy consumption.	AMC	September 2021.		Continuing working with lighting technicians to develop a phased replacement of theatrical lighting.

Move to ethical banking services.	Move away from the financial sector that has helped drive the carbon-intensive society to institutions supporting the development of low-carbon technologies and climate-resilient activities.	LTC	September 2021.		Completed moved to Unity Bank in June 2022
Provide financial support to projects that contribute to lowering carbon footprints through the community grants programme.	Influence behavioural changes/support community initiatives.	LTC	September 2021.		No take up of the community grants programme in 2021. Fund allocated to Llangollen Parks project in 2022/23
Hosting and promoting community events.	To influence behavioural changes of residence/better understand of environment issues/cost-effective solutions to address current consumption habits	CCC	September 2021.		Post pandemic events to be considered.
Reduced car travel.	Purpose to increase awareness of car share benefits/travel to meetings/video conferencing/home working/use of public transport.	LTC	September 2021.		Some action Town Council to encourage hybrid working. HR Committee have consider a working from home policy to reduce staff travel.
Review baseline statistics to establish carbon footprint.	To measure and facilitate change/inform the budget process.	LTC	November 2021.		Continued use of IMPACT Community carbon calculator to monitor progress.
Review management of land to ensure the Town Council, in future, maximises habitat diversity.	Ensure pollinators and other wildlife thrive.	AMC	May 2023.		New ground works contract in place

Consider water efficiency.	Reduce consumption and energy used in heating.	AMC	December 2021.		
Grey water harvesting on council land and premises.	Reduce consumption/energy used in distribution.	AMC	December 2021.		
Explore options to install water fountains on council property.	To support Plastic Free Llangollen targets.	AMC	March 2022.		
Retrofit windows in Town Hall using removal magnetic secondary glazing which could be taken down in spring and refixed in the autumn.	Listed buildings double glazing is not an option.	AMC	March 2022.		
Considering opportunities for generating electricity by solar power on the Town Hall, utilising grid-tie inverter technology.	To reduce energy consumption from bought in supplies.	AMC	March 2022.		
Encourage additional tree planting and hedgerows in areas of public open space.	Help to mitigate climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air, storing carbon in the trees and soil, and releasing oxygen into the atmosphere.	CCC	March 2022.		Continuing Recreation ground.
LONG TERM ACTIONS	PURPOSE	LEAD	TARGET DATE	STATUS	EVALUATION
Establish Llangollen in Bloom.	Improve Llangollen's habitat by imaginative planting of trees, shrubs, bulbs and floral displays/Address environmental issues and preserve wildlife.	CCC	August 2022.		
The Town Council Investigate renewable energy sources and community energy schemes.	Community renewables schemes can deliver a range of social and	LTC	August 2022.		

	economic benefits/increased autonomy, empowerment and resilience				
EV charging.	Support take-up of electric vehicles/staff/ residents/ accessible charging points.	LTC	December 2023.		

Glossary

TC	Town Clerk
FO	Facilities Officer
LTC	Llangollen Town Council
AMC	Asset Management Committee
CCC	Cittaslow and Climate Change Committee
HR	Human Resources Committee

REPORT AUTHOR: Town Clerk.
SUBJECT: River Dee water quality.
REPORT FOR: Decision.

1. Summary.

- 1.1 To consider a formal resolution to support an application to designate all or part of the River Dee from Carrog to where it leaves Denbighshire as bathing water.

2. Background.

- 2.1 Mr Peter Carol has contacted the Town Council to seek support, by way of a formal resolution, to make applications to NRW to designate all or part of the Dee from Carrog where it leaves Denbighshire as EC Bathing waters as it is used for daily bathing in various locations. He believes designation is necessary to protect the public as designation would mean there are regular water quality checks to protect and inform the public.
- 2.2 UK Designated Bathing Waters are mostly coastal, with only 16 lakes and no rivers. The Welsh Government is actually responsible for designation and de-designation in Wales under the Bathing Water Regulations 2013 and will base decisions on evidence supplied in accordance with set criteria for designation and de-designation. Where the Welsh Government considers that a designation or de-designation is required, it will approach the local authority and private operators of a facility in order to take their views into account.

3. Designation.

- 3.1 An application for designation requires evidence of a large numbers of bathers, 'Large numbers' is defined as a number which the competent authority, in this case the Welsh Government, considers to be large in relation to past trends. They also require evidence that there is infrastructure or facilities provided, or other measures taken to promote bathing.
- 3.2 Information that applicants have to provide with applications for designation should include:
- User survey taken at times during the bathing season (15 May to 30 September) when peak usage would be expected (weekends, bank holidays, May half-term and the school summer holiday period). Surveys to be carried out at a time of day when high numbers of users would be expected (11am to 3pm).
 - Survey covers a minimum of 20 days including evidence.
 - Breakdown of numbers of swimmers, paddlers and other beach users.
- 3.3 This will enable the Welsh Government to ensure that sites which are designated fully meet the definition of large numbers of bathers.
- 3.4 Other evidence and information which supplied with the application include a map, plan or grid references showing the extent of the proposed bathing water and information about facilities at the bathing water site specifically aimed at bathers. Examples of bathing water site facilities could include:

- access facilities to the bathing water area.
- toilets or showers.
- car parks.
- lifeguards.
- markers indicating bathing areas.
- first-aid service.
- kiosks and shops, including mobile kiosks and shops.
- changing facilities.
- water sports, although in some cases intensive water sports may preclude bathing.
- regular beach cleaning.
- promotional material (leaflets, signs or website).
- history of bathing at the site.
- references to the site being good for bathing in guidebooks.
- evidence the relevant authority or management body is actively seeking to support/promote bathing.
- Evidence of local consultation

3.5 In order to progress the designation therefore, the applicant will have to comply with the need to undertake the survey work listed above during May/September 2023. Therefore, in order to ensure that the Committee can give its full consideration to the request to support an application it would be useful if Members could have sight of the survey once completed for consideration by the Committee to further inform any decisions.

4. Recommendation.

4.1 That the Committee request the details of the survey for consideration by the Committee before recommending any formal resolution to the Town Council.

5. Reasons for recommendation.

5.1 To ensure probity in the support of national initiatives in line with Town Council priorities.