



WELLS CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE OUTSIDE SPACES & ESTATES
COMMITTEE, WHICH MEMBERS ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND,
WILL BE HELD AT WELLS TOWN HALL
ON THURSDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7:00PM

Please note this meeting will be recorded for the purpose of minute-taking.

Steve Luck
Town Clerk/RFO

26th January 2023

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Committee Members:

Cllrs: L Agabani (Chair), T Butt-Philip, D Denis,
S Eden, N Kennedy, D Orrett, S Powell,
G Robbins

AGENDA

Wells City Council has declared a climate emergency. Each agenda item must consider the impact on any policy and decision.

- 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 12th May 2022
- 3 MINUTES OF THE CITY CENTRE & OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST DECEMBER 2022**
Matters arising
- 4 MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**
Public speaking time is normally restricted to 15 minutes in total, at the discretion of the Chair
- 5 OUTSIDE SPACES**
 - i Skateboard park - to receive an update
 - ii To receive an update from the Outside Spaces Officer
 - iii Wells In Bloom – to receive an update
 - iv Cllr Orrett to provide an update on Litter Pick weekend (21st/22nd January)
- 6 CLIMATE EMERGENCY**
Climate Emergency Working Party Report from Cllr Denis (attached)

- 7 CEMETERY**
 - i. Memorial inspection
- 8 PORTWAY ANNEXE**
 - To receive an update
- 9 RECREATION GROUND**
 - i. To receive an update from the Outside Spaces Officer
- 10 PROPERTIES**
 - To receive an update
- 11 ANY MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT**
- 12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7pm Thursday 2nd March 2023**

EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Note: If it is necessary for matters to be considered in confidence it will be proposed by the Chairman that a resolution be passed under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended, excluding the press and public, in order that confidential property items can be discussed.

Climate Emergency Working Party Report for Open Spaces

1. Working Party Members - Cllr Denise Denis(chair), Cllr Sarah Powell, Cllr Isa Von Mesenkampff, Cllr S. Eden, Cllr G Folkard, Maddy Milnes, James Mochrie
2. First Meeting held on 16/1/23 set the **Aims for 2023** - “Winning Hearts and Minds”.
3. Agreed to ensure SMART **Strategies for 2023** (specific, measurable, achievable, relevant, timebound)
 - Focus on leaders i.e. Council staff, councillors and vehicles, processes and properties- Review WCC Sustainability report 2021-2022 and continue work to improve.
 - Wells City Council webpage dedicated to Climate Emergency and posts on Facebook.
 - Create a monkey survey (and use i-pads at public events, as well as publicise in Wells Journal and Wells Community Face Book) to find out where people are in their understanding and journey for climate emergency actions- to be launched before May and then to repeat in the autumn.
 - Concentrate on 3 public events- Coronation Event; WEN Open Day on 1 July at Portway Annexe; market stall for September or October to meet visitors as well as local people.
 - Decide on how to make the climate emergency message accessible, acceptable and memorable. Use of imagery and examples that touch people’s hearts and win their minds. Be mindful of young people and effects of climate emergency trauma in messaging.
 - Promote Carbon footprint calculators.
4. Work forward on 5 areas defined by a paper produced by Wells City Council, Sustainable Wells, Project Factory, Somerset Climate Action Network in February 2020.
5. Dates for future meetings - Wednesday 8 February at 7pm.

Cllr D Denis
23/1/23