KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held on Tuesday 22nd July 2025 at 7pm in the Town Council Office.

PRESENT: Councillors: Alex Beaumont, E Cannon, D Cooper and H MacFie

Members: Richard Prior - Churches Together

IN ATTENDANCE: Amanda Hazell – Responsible Finance Officer

16. APOLOGIES:

RESOLVED:

To receive and accept apologies for absence from Cllrs Leonard, Wait and Biddleston.

17. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED:

There were none.

18. DISPENSATIONS

RESOLVED:

There were none.

19. RECORD OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Committee meeting held on Tuesday 27th May 2025 (previously circulated) be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

20. FARMERS MARKET

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Council will not be present at the August Farmers Market.
- ii) That the Council will be present at the September Farmer Market where the Thermal Imager and Retrofit West information will be provided.
- iii) That the giveaway will be daffodil bulbs.

21. COMMUNITY ENERGY NETWORK

RESOLVED:

- i) That the information on the Community Energy Network be received and noted.
- ii) That the Council do not register an interest with the Community Energy Network.

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22. GREEN CANOPY PROJECT

RESOLVED:

- i) That the information for the Green Canopy Project be received and noted.
- ii) That the Officers contact Forest of Avon with the following questions: What is the commitment if we sign up?

 Are they able to attend a Council meeting and answer any further questions?
- iii) If the Council decides to be involved it will be to provide information to the Community, not take on the responsibility of planting and growing the trees.

23. RETROFIT WEST

RESOLVED:

- i) That the information for the Retrofit West be received and noted.
- ii) That the Committee respond to Beth informing her of the Farmer's Markets and the Winter Festival where stalls will be available.
- iii) To contact Beth to ascertain if we can have leaflets for the Farmer's Market if she can't attend.

24. SUSTRANS KEYNSHAM ROAD VOLUNTEER GROUP

RESOLVED:

- i) That the update of the Sustrans Keynsham Road Volunteer Group be received and noted
- ii) That the Chair will contact the Sustrans group and write a letter to South Glos to enquire about widening the path on the Keynsham Road.

25. THERMAL IMAGER

- i) That the information regarding the Thermal Imager be received and noted.
- ii) That the flyer for the Thermal Imager be approved, to be handed out at the September Farmer's Market.
- iii) The Committee would like to thank the Officers for their hard work in producing the documentation for the Thermal Imager.

26. TREE REMOVAL AT TESCO

RESOLVED:

- i) That the information regarding the felling of trees at Tesco be received and noted.
- ii) That the Clerk be instructed to contact B&NES on behalf of the Council for information on whether the trees were part of the original planning application.

27. COMMUNITY HERB PLANTER

- i) That the information regarding the Community Herb Planter be received and noted.
- ii) That the Deputy Town Clerk contacts B&NES for permission to take over the planter.

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28. CYCLING UPDATES

RESOLVED:

- i) That the cycling updates be received and noted.
- ii) Cllr MacFie reported that the cycle track along the A4 is being re-introduced.

29. ROOFTOP REVOLUTION

RESOLVED:

There was no update as Cllr Wait was absent from the meeting.

30. KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT PLAN

RESOLVED:

- i) That the updated project plan be received and noted
- ii) That Clir Cooper make some changes to the layout of the plan and present the new plan at the next meeting.
- iii) That the Environment and Sustainability Policy be recommended to Council.
- iv) That the verbal update on the compostable toilet be received and noted.

31. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

To note that the next meeting of this Committee will be held on **TUESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2025** at **7.00** pm in the Town Council Office.

Meeting ended at 8.10pm

SIGNED:

(Chairman)

Dated: 23 . ix . 2025

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