

KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 28th July 2026 at 6.30pm in the Town Council Office.

PRESENT: Councillors: D Cooper, H MacFie, A Beaumont, A Wait (arrived at 7pm) and C Leonard

IN ATTENDANCE: Amanda Hazell – RFO
Richard Prior – Churches Together

A Halliday (in his capacity as a member of the public)

17. APOLOGIES:

Apologies from Councillor Biddleston received and accepted.

18. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED:

There were none.

19. DISPENSATIONS

RESOLVED:

There were none.

20. RECORD OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Committee meeting held on Tuesday 26th May 2026 (previously circulated) be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

21. FARMERS MARKET

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Council will be present at the August Farmers Market and not at the September Farmers Market.
- ii) Richard Prior informed the Committee that the Climate Emergency Café will be attending the Market.

22. ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PRESS RELEASE

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Ecological Emergency press release be received and noted.

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- ii) That Councillor Leonard will email the RFO an additional paragraph to add to the press release.
- iii) That the Committee recommend to Council to approve the press release with the changes from Councillor Leonard.

23. CLIMATE EMERGENCY PRACTICAL STEPS GUIDE

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Climate Emergency Practical Steps Guide be received and noted.
- ii) That the following changes be made:
 - a) Reduce the useful resources for financial help part to only include help for residents excluding businesses.
 - b) Include use of water butts, planting trees, close windows during hot weather, green banking in the simple home change's part.
 - c) Food and waste include locally grown.
 - d) Include reduce flying in the greener ways to travel.
- iii) That the Guide be returned to the next meeting with the changes made.

24. NATIONAL REPTILE SURVEY

RESOLVED:

That the information regarding the National Reptile Survey be received and noted.

25. CRT VOLUNTEER AWARDS

RESOLVED:

That the information regarding the CRT Volunteer Awards be received and noted.

26. COOL SPACES

RESOLVED:

- i) That the information regarding the cool spaces be received and noted.
- ii) That the RFO will email all the Councillors requesting they contact any community groups they are affiliated with and ask them if they can register as a cool space with B&NES.

27. ROOFTOP REVOLUTION

RESOLVED:

That the following update from Councillor Wait be received and noted:

- i) The meetings are now once a week.
- ii) There is a deadline of Thursday 30th July to sign the contracts for the purchase of the panels to go ahead.
- iii) If the contracts are signed the panel installation will begin on the 17th August completing on the 31st August.

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28. KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT PLAN

Standing Orders were dropped to allow Andy Halliday to speak as a member of the public.

RESOLVED:

- i) That the KTC Environment and Sustainability Action Plan be received and noted.
- ii) That Councillor Leonard update the Action Plan.
- iii) That Andy Halliday reported the dangerous use of electric scooters on the pavements around Bilbie Green. Councillor Wait reported that the issue is being dealt with by the Police.
- iv) That no new action be taken on until the Climate Emergency Practical Steps Guide is completed.

29. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

*To note that the next meeting of this Committee will be held on **TUESDAY 22nd September 2026** at **6.30 pm in the Town Council Office.***

Meeting ended at 7.30pm.

SIGNED:.....



(Chairman)

Dated:.....

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