

KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held on
Tuesday 26th May 2026 at 6.30pm in the Town Council Office.

PRESENT: Councillors: D Biddleston, H MacFie, A Beaumont, A Wait and C Leonard

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

1. MEMBERSHIP

RESOLVED:

That the membership for the E&S Committee for the Municipal Year 2026/2027 be received and noted.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE 2026 -2027

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Cannon be Chair for the Municipal Year 2026-2027.

3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN OF ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE 2025-2026

RESOLVED:

That Councillor Leonard be Vice Chair for the Municipal Year 2026-2027.

4. TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Terms of Reference be approved.
- ii) That Alan Greenfield be asked if he would like to join as a member of the public.
- iii) That Liz Barling be asked to attend.

5. APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies. Councillor E Cannon not in attendance.

6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RESOLVED:

There were none.

7. DISPENSATIONS

RESOLVED:

There were none.

8. RECORD OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Environment and Sustainability Committee meeting held on Tuesday 24th March 2026 (previously circulated) be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

9. FARMERS MARKET

RESOLVED:

That KTC will not have a stall at the June or July Farmer's Market unless any consultations are received.

10. CLEAN AIR STRATEGY CONSULTATION

RESOLVED:

- i) That the Clean Air Strategy Consultation be received and noted.
- ii) That the Committee would like the following to be forwarded to the Consultation Working Group to be included in the Council's submission:
 - a) Improvement in cycleways and buses joining Keynsham to Bitton and Bath.
 - b) To reduce diesel cars from Town Centres.
 - c) To reduce cars from school areas during drop off and pick up times.

11. HERB PLANTER UPDATE

RESOLVED:

- i) That the update be received and noted.
- ii) That the Officers ask the Community Fridge to advertise the herb garden.

12. UPDATE ON THE BIG GREEN WEEK 7th – 14th JUNE 2026

RESOLVED:

That the update be received and noted.

13. ROOF TOP REVOLUTION

RESOLVED:

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

- i) The project has been held up by B&NES Legal. Cllr Wait has attended meetings and consulted with Paul Roper who has now sorted out the issues with legal.
- ii) A consultation will start soon for 7 days.
- iii) There is a grant that must be drawn down by the 30th June 2026.
- iv) By the next E&S Committee meeting the consultation will hopefully be completed, the grant drawn down and the solar panels purchased.

14. ECOLOGICAL EMERGENCY

RESOLVED:

That the press release be drafted by the RFO.

15. KEYNSHAM TOWN COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY PROJECT PLAN

RESOLVED:

- i) That the KTC Environment and Sustainability Action Plan be received and noted.
- ii) That the RFO create a practical steps guide to help address the climate emergency.
- iii) That the RFO will look for grants for the Council to apply for to assist social housing tenants with environmental improvements.
- iv) That Cllr Wait will speak to B&NES regarding closing the road by Chandag School during school drop off and pick up times to encourage school children to walk or cycle to school as a pilot scheme.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED:

*To note that the next meeting of this Committee will be held on **TUESDAY 28th JULY 2026 at 6.30 pm in the Town Council Office.***

Meeting ended at 7.35pm.

SIGNED:..... (Chairman)

Dated:.....