



HASLEMERE TOWN COUNCIL

Town Hall, High Street, Haslemere, Surrey GU27 2HG

Minutes of the Climate and Biodiversity Emergency Committee (CBEC) held
4th February at 6pm, in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, High St, Haslemere

Chairman	*Cllr C Matthes
Vice-Chairman	Cllr A. Bayliss
Councillors	Banfield, *Bridge, *Miller, *Waters, Weatherburn, Weldon

* present

The meeting was clerked by the Town Clerk, Lisa O’Sullivan.

1/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Banfield is unwell, Cllr Weldon had a conflicting meeting.

Cllrs Bayliss and Weatherburn did not attend and did not send apologies.

2/25 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None.

3/25 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held 1st October 2024 were signed by the Chair as a true record.

4/25 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MINUTES

The Chair gave an update on Earth Day. This is a great initiative but wasn’t well attended last year. HTC is working with the Museum and other partners to have a better turn out this year.

Actions:

Clerk to circulate a flyer with details for members to share with their networks.

Cllr Matthes to chase Kay Topping for small grant application.

5/25 GREEN GRANT – ST BARTHOLOMEW’S SCHOOL PTA (£596.40)

The committee considered the grant for items for new allotment and gardening area. It was noted that some of the equipment looked expensive, and that the PTA is not looking for funding elsewhere. HTC does not normally fund 100% of project costs. This is a valuable project, but the committee had some questions / feedback for the applicant:

- What is going to happen to the produce when grown?
- Can we see evidence of what is produced?
- HTC needs to be mentioned in promotional material.

RESOLVED: That a grant of £500 is awarded to St Bartholomew’s School PTA for items for their new allotment and gardening area.

This award still leaved £3500 in the Green Grants pot for this financial year. Further applications could be taken to March full council if received in time. Cllrs to encourage their networks to apply.

6/25 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – BRIEF UPDATES

Cllr Matthes gave an update on the successful Wassail at Swan Barn farm.

There was some discussion over the possible implications of new Planning regulations the government is bringing in.

Meeting ended 18:30pm

Signed.....
Chairman of Meeting

Date.....