

# Wellington Town Council

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## WELLINGTON CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

Minutes of the meeting held online via Zoom, on **10<sup>th</sup> December 2020** commencing at 6.00pm.

Present

Cllr Anthony Lowe (Chairman)	Cllr John Latter
Paola Armstrong	
Apologies: Cllr John Alvey	
Cllr Giles Luter	
Cllr Paul Davis	

**1. Welcome and Introductory remarks**

Cllr Lowe welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2. Declaration of Interest**

None received

**3. Apologies for absence: Cllr John Alvey, Cllr Giles Luter and Cllr Paul Davis**

Accepted

**4. To confirm the minutes from the last meeting 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

Cllr A Lowe confirmed

**5. Matters Arising from Minutes from 26<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

PA met with XR Telford – a very dynamic and proactive group. Toy Swap (was on Radio Shropshire 9/12/20) in Wellington market on 11/12<sup>th</sup> Dec 2020. Posts being put out on Love Wellington FB.

PA can confirm CE are to have 2 pages in This Is Our Wellington magazine

**6. Confirmation of new name: Climate Emergency Working Group (CEWG)**

New name confirmed

- 7. Confirmation of draft mission statement for WTC website**  
“Wellington Climate Emergency Working Group is a working group of 5 Councillors with the task of communicating initiatives to work towards carbon neutrality in our town. We will engage with Sustainable T&W and Shropshire Climate Action Partnership (SCAP) to learn best practice.  
We will suggest and promote actions to residents, traders, visitors and all who care about the sustainable future of Wellington and of our planet”

It was decided that the mission statement was a great place to start and would be published on the Climate Emergency page (when up and running) on the WTC website
- 8. Discuss update regarding CE page on WTC website**  
Due to the absence of Cllr Davis, it was decided that this would be discussed at the next meeting as an agenda item.
- 9. Discuss WTC grant funding**  
A discussion was had at length about how we could request funds to aid businesses in becoming greener  
**ACTION: AL to request funding for this working group, that we can use at our discretion to assist Wellington businesses to go greener.**
- 10. Discuss T&W Climate Change Champions scheme**  
Discussion about how we can promote this scheme to residents of Wellington  
**ACTION: PA to find out more about the scheme and see if anyone from Wellington has already signed up.**
- 11. Discuss take up of Tree scheme (T&W) and how to extend our reach on this**  
AL said that the trees are going very fast and there’s been a great uptake on this project. Cut off date is Dec 18<sup>th</sup>. Adrian Corney sent details of locations of where some of these trees will be planted in the Spring.
- 12. Discuss questions/details for Green Questionnaire for businesses in Wellington**  
The purpose of the questionnaire is to try and engage businesses and residents in how to best get a greener Wellington.  
**ACTION: AL will put some draft questions together**  
Discussed the possibility of approaching The Walnut, Gratitude and The Orbit as a starting point to engage with businesses about their environmental involvement.  
**ACTION: AL to approach the above to research**
- 13. Any other business**  
The Repair Café was discussed and CEWG would be happy to support them if we can as a future possibility.

PA has collected the 100 tote bags with the Let’s Get Local This Christmas. Half have been delivered already – with the intention that this will be a walking ad campaign and a constant reminder to shop local. Therefore, they are being handed out to regular shoppers of Wellington.
- 14. Date and time of next meeting: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm via Zoom**