

#### **BIDEFORD TOWN COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Decarbonisation and Environment Committee Meeting held in the Council Chamber, on Wednesday 12 February 2025 at 6.30 pm

**PRESENT:** East Ward: Councillor Mrs R Clarke (Mayor)

Councillor J Mc Kenzie Councillor Mrs J Gubb Councillor J Craigie Councillor Mrs S Smith

North Ward: Councillor J Gordon (Chairman)

South Ward

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Swan (Town Clerk)

### 31 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Members noted the apologies received and reasons for absence from:

Councillor K Hind

No apologies and reasons for absence were received from:

Councillor S Smith

#### 32 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA</u>

There were no Declarations of Interest.

#### 33 <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PERIOD</u>

No members of the public present.

#### 34 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 were approved and signed as a correct record.

It was proposed by Councillor McKenzie, seconded by Councillor Clarke and

RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL: The Minutes of the Decarbonisation and Environment Committee meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 were approved and

#### signed as a correct record.

(Vote – For: 4; Against: 0; Abstention 0)

#### 35 **CLIMATE PLAN**

The members reviewed the climate plan proposal and discussed future EV requirements and wild seeding practicalities.

Councillor Gordon emphasised that fact that the Carbon Plan was a dynamic document subject to change and evolution as the environment changes and new technologies become available.

It was proposed by Councillor McKenzie, seconded by Councillor Clarke and

## RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL: Town climate plan be submitted to full council.

(Vote – For: 4; Against: 0; Abstention 0)

#### 36 **GREEN GRANTS**

The members reviewed the Green Grant proposal.

Discussion was held around adopting the Staffing, Finance and General Purpose Committee Grant model for this purpose and allow the grants to be processed throughout the year.

It was proposed by Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Mrs J Gubb and

**RECOMMENDED TO FULL COUNCIL**: The green Grant scheme be adopted by full council.

(Vote – For: 4; Against: 0; Abstention 0)

#### 37 <u>WILD SEEDING</u>

The members reviewed the Wild Seeding proposal. It was agreed that locations would be agreed by the Chair by the end of February 2025.

#### 38 <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

The date of the next meeting was agreed to be at the discretion of the Chair.

The Chairman thanked the Members for their attendance and support. He concluded the Meeting at 18:56

Signature of Town Mayor:	Date:
Signature of Chairman:	Date: