

CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Thursday 6th January 2022, 13:00 - 14:30

Zoom Meeting

Attendees

Chris Jones, Graham Barker, Cllr Derek Brook, Cllr Ann Thomson, Geoff Price, Beverley Coverdale, Steven Kendall, Graham Harcourt, Steph Cordon.

Apologies from Cllr Lee Roberts, Maureen Smith, Helen Houston.

Low Carbon Barrow

Beverley Coverdale, Low Carbon Barrow Project Manager provided an update from site as Yew Tree & Dock Museum PV installation is starting. Also this quarter should see EV charge points being installed.

Comments around the need for contactless for charge points to limit frustration from users.

ACTION – Chris Jones to look at what would be required to add contactless and check budget to see if it can be included in the Low Carbon Barrow funding.

Barrow Clean Growth Prospectus

Steph Cordon, Director of People and Place has commissioned Hatch to provide prospectus to set out opportunities for clean growth and a potential roadmap to net zero for Barrow, funded via the LGA. The report is due by March 2022.

ACTION – Lauren Newby from Hatch to be invited to future meeting to present report. (DONE)

Cumbria Coastal Communities Forest

Chris Jones, Head of Programme Management and Climate Change confirmed funding has been agreed – press releases have been issued. Not much detail yet on how it will happen.

ACTION – Alison to speak to CCC to find someone to provide update for Barrow area.

Citizens Jury

Alison Coward, Senior Environmental Protection Officer provided update. Currently over halfway through jury process, jury to start writing recommendations soon. Funding has been agreed for launch events, dates to be confirmed. Request for observers for last two sessions – Derek Brook asked to be included along with Therese Assouad.

**ACTION – Alison to request invites for Derek Brook and Therese Assouad.
(DONE)**

Green Homes Grant LAD2 Scheme

Steven Kendall, Housing Enforcement Assistant provided update. EON have written to 1500 residents asking them to apply for energy saving measures, 90 homes need to be signed up by the end of March. Fortnightly meetings with other districts and EON, Eden leading on scheme.

Sustainable Warmth scheme will follow on from LAD2 until 2023, led by Carlisle CC. Should help 330 properties in the Barrow area to install energy saving measures. Also includes off gas properties. Contractor yet to be agreed for that scheme.

Cold to Cosy Homes

Alison Coward, Senior Environmental Protection Officer received request from Kim Kimberlee-Smith from CAfS to train energy champions across the council via a free webinar.

ACTION – Alison to agree timing for webinar with Kim and send all staff email.

Sustainable procurement

Alison Coward, Senior Environmental Protection Officer provided information about how other districts within the Local Authority Climate Policy Group are looking at this as it links to carbon accounting. SLDC moving to use national TOMS framework.

ACTION – Chris Jones to check recent procurement strategy to see if it allows for using something similar.

LGR climate change workstream

Alison Coward, Senior Environmental Protection Officer provided update – currently at baseline and SWOT analysis stage.

Zero Carbon Cumbria Partnership

Update shared with agenda

Any Other Business

Including any updates for climate change action plan

Date and Time of Next Meeting

22nd Feb 2022 (timed to follow end of Citizens Jury)