

Quidhampton Parish Council (QPC) Climate Change Working Group

Proposed Terms of Reference

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General

Quidhampton Parish Council (QPC) will appoint a Climate Change Working Group. These Terms of Reference will be adopted by Quidhampton PC.

Composition

The Working Group will consist of a minimum of three members, at least two of these being Quidhampton Parish Councillors.

The quorum for the group will be three.

Powers

The Working Group cannot make a decision on behalf of Quidhampton Parish Council, it may make recommendations to the Parish Council that must be clearly stated on the agenda with all supporting information provided.

As this is a Working Group the meetings do not have to be open to the public but notes of the meetings must be kept and presented to the next QPC meeting.

Roles and Functions

The objective for the CCWG is to;

- Canvas interest, and views in the village.
- Determine its further membership.
- Report back to the bimonthly QPC meetings
- Propose its activities and priorities for QPC approval.

Timescales

- Workgroup to propose road map/timescale. Mid 2021 or earlier
- QPC acknowledges the climate emergency. At any time / QPC to determine
- Longer term goal : to achieve a net carbon neutral Quidhampton by 2030.

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Appendix: Climate change issues

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Climate Change issues

This list of issues results from initial brainstorming, and is input for the workgroup's consideration. It acknowledges initiatives already started (eg nature project, and planting in verges)

1 Gathering information and advice relevant to climate change, and help the village achieve national carbon reduction targets (net zero by 2030).

- Establish action so parishioners know what they can do.
- Actions about both the big picture and small steps.

2. Baseline measurement - current status

Quantify fuel sources and uses to estimate the current carbon footprint of the village.
Transport / what people do now. Air quality monitoring?

3. Possible areas for consideration

- Small things people can do – both within the village and more generally
 - Local purchasing, Zero packaging supplies pop-up shop,
 - Greening the village / verges – 'rewilding'
 - Minimizing own air travel.
 - Buying minimum air miles produce.
 - Support in energy switching to green or not-for-profit.
- More substantial projects
 - Nature Project
 - Bulk purchasing schemes – food, energy, insulation, orchards / allotments
 - Home energy efficiency, Heating system improvements/alternatives,
 - Foot and cycle paths, Wildlife corridors, Solar energy
 - Encouraging cycling, Encouraging electric vehicles and charge points
 - Use of public transport, car share schemes, Co-cars etc
 - Energy doctor / sharing data loggers.

4. Financial

Identify financially motivated improvements / savings that make action attractive (eg house insulation)

5. Communication/awareness

Public engagement, Films / talks (village hall),
Keep it in the news (newsletter)
Website(s), Social media

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