

Herefordshire Climate and Nature Board

5.30 – 7.30pm Tuesday 2nd May 2023

Attendees: James Marsden (JM), Ellie Deacon-Smith (ED), Phillip Pearcy (PP), Chris Scott (CS), Gareth Williams (GW), Gordon Coppock (GC).

Herefordshire Council Support: Ben Boswell (BB), Richard Vaughan (RV), Nigel Koch (NK), Mary Burton (MB)

Apologies: Cllr Chowns (EC), Claire Kingstone (CK) Anna Darwood (AD), Callum Dover (CD), John Whitelegg (JW2), Emily Partridge (EP) Jackie Jones (JJ)

Board members to please send apologies to **Judith Whateley (JW)** not to Chair.

The chair strongly urges all board members to attend meetings as much as they can.

1. Welcome – James Marsden

HCNP Board recruitment update and welcome to new Board members– James Marsden

Callum Dover from Hereford City Youth Council is taking the second seat as a young person as well as being appointed under the Community category.

Chris Scott from Net Zero Advisory is joining as a Community representative.
CS – to join buildings sub-group.

John Whitelegg is joining the board as an expert and will be invited to join the Transport sub group.

Phillip Pearcy from the Courtyard is joining the board as an Enabler.

PP to join buildings and waste sub-groups.

Fred Spaven has a good background in Electric Vehicles and last-mile delivery solutions and whilst ultimately there simply wasn't space for him on the board the subgroup wanted to invite him to join the Transport subgroup.

- **Action** to circulate farm carbon audits methodology compared to Duchy approach and consider if there is any commonality to compare them.
 - **Action** Board to be invited to workshop then presentation in October
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2. Minutes of the last meeting held 28th February 2023

- Matters Arising/ Actions – Board Action Log (attached)
Minutes agreed
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3. Climate risk assessment and adaptation strategy - Mary Burton & Richard Vaughan



HCNPB slides
020523.pptx

- Thanks to Mary Burton (HC) who presented



Adapt spec
only.docx

- This is the specification used
 - The Board will be invited to join workshops and consultants will present to the board at the end of the project too ahead of finalising the strategy and action plan. A stakeholder event will be organised when the report has been accepted.
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4. Waste Transformation Plan – Ben Boswell

- A dedicated Comms Engagement person will be appointed just for Waste. JBP will also be closely involved.
 - **Action** PP to propose how HCNP can best engage with a wider demographic.
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5. Update on inter-relationships between strategic groups and partnerships, monitoring and reporting progress

- Annual assembly in November this year to open the conversation on the aspiration of this board and introduce the idea of how we will report and monitor.
 - Need a piece of work on a suite of indicators against the international, national and local context to report against Net Zero and Nature Rich. This should be procured and carried out by experts.
 - We need to consider where does the reporting of this board sit in the hierarchy of reporting of the county and council?
 - **Action** a piece of work to review what indicators are available against the above (Charlotte from Intelligence team, Waste, Natural Environment and Sustainability (carbon))
 - Need to do something for the event in November.
 - Do we want indicators on a sectoral basis? Or against the primary aspiration of the board?
Idea for indicators from GC:
 - Farmers taking action
 - New builds
 - Number of buildings transitioning to heat pump
 - Number of EVs in county
 - Represent a radar diagram
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6. AOB & Good News Items and Funding Opportunities



Greener Footprints
Week for Board.ppt:

- Greener Footprints Week
- Board members asked to promote Greener Footprints Week through their networks and participate anyway they can – link in with JW.
- Call for all Board Members to provide bio and picture to update website if they haven't already.

- Fred Spaven to join Transport sub-group.
 - Rebecca Tully to join Food sub-group – GC to forward her contact details to RV and JW.
 - GC called for future promotions on wetlands and JM asked for a future meeting in person at the site.
 - **Action** - Share organogram of board and sub groups with Phillip and Chris.
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7. HC Activity - One-Pager Update include Climate Reserve tracker (attached)

8. Date/Time of future Board Meetings & Agenda Items

- The next meeting on Monday 5th June will be in person, hosted by Caplor Energy, as part of their 100th anniversary celebrations **12.00-14.00**.
- JW will circulate programme when it has been finalised.
- **Action** - to promote the event with JBP and HC Comms bearing in mind any conflict of interest.
- 18th July meeting at Queenswood hosted by Herefordshire Wildlife Trust tbc. Jamie Audsley, Claire Spicer (Nature Trust) and Liz Duberley (HC) are asked to bring discussion items to this meeting focusing on Nature Rich.