MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINGS HILL PARISH COUNCIL'S CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 6th MARCH 2025.

PRESENT: Cllrs Colman (Committee Chairman), Barker, Sherlaw & Rush

ALSO PRESENT: K.Bell, (Clerk) & N.Cooper (Assistant Clerk)

CC & E 48 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: It was proposed, seconded and

resolved. That the apologies from Cllr Mclymont (Deputy Committee Chairman) who had prior commitments and Cllr Petty who was

overseas was approved. Unanimous

CC & E 49 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND/OR LOBBYING: Cllr Rush

declared an interest in the allotments. **Noted**

CC & E 50 DECLARATIONS AN INTENTION TO RECORD. Cllr Rush stated his

intention to record. Noted

CC & E 51 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING:

CC & E 51.1 **MINUTES**: It was proposed, seconded and:

RESOLVED: That the minutes from the meeting held on

9th January 2025 be approved.

Unanimous

CC & E 51.2 Matters arising not included elsewhere on the agenda.

CC & E 35.3 Anaerobic Digester- The Committee was advised that the Manager of the site preferred for councillors to visit the plant from 9:00am. The councillors agreed, and the Assistant Clerk wrote to Site Manager

to arrange a visit from 9.00am on a Monday morning.

Noted

CC & E 52 CLIMATE CHANGE ISSUES:

CC & E 52.1 Climate Change Action Plan: Following a discussion it was agreed that Assistant Clerk and Cllr Colman would continue their review of the KHPC Climate Change &

Environment Committee Action Plan.

Agreed

Cllr helpfully suggested that the other local councils Action Plan could be used to help influence Kings Hill.

Noted

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CC & E 52.2 Kent and Medway Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS). The LNRS, developed by Kent County Council as the Responsible Authority appointed by Defra, was the first of its kind for the county. It formed part of a national initiative, with 48 strategies across England, all aimed at halting and reversing the decline of nature. Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Assistant Clerk would obtain further information regarding Air Quality and Anit-Idling Campaigns. Noted

CC & E 53 **ENVIRONMENT ISSUES**

CC & E 53.1 The Tree Wardens Report.

Noted

- CC & E 53.2 Noticeboards: It was reported that the preferred locations were:
 - Limelight Walk
 - Beacon Avenue

Attention was also drawn to the excessive demands placed on KHPC when making enquires with KHEM.

Following a discussion, it was agreed to defer noticeboards at Limelight Walk and Beacon Avenue pending additional information.

Out of courtesy TMA had been asked if they had any problem with KHPC installing a new noticeboard, as they did not and to proceed with a new noticeboard at the Sports Park.

It was noted that the Assistant Clerk was liaising with Asda regarding installing a new noticeboard outside Asda Kings Hill. Noted

CC & E 53.3 On-Street Electric Vehicle Charging: Information was received and noted following a discussion it was further noted that the Assistant Clerk would liaise with KHEM with potential opportunity for Electric Vehicle Charger Points to be installed in the Community Centre Car Park.

Noted

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CC & E 53.4 No Mow May – It was reported that KHPC would be participating in No Mow May again this year and promotion posters have been put on noticeboards around Kings Hill. It was further noted that the Assistant Clerk had informed KHEM in the hope that they would be involved in this worthwhile project.

Noted

CC & E 53.5 Litter Lotto – Following a discussion the Climate Change & Environment Committee confirmed that they wanted to be a part of this initiative. It was purposed and seconded and resolved that the Assistant Clerk would purchase 10 posters for £69.00. Cllr Barker suggested that KHPC may wish to hold a Bag & Flat Day for dog waste.

Unanimous

CC & E 53.6 The Great British Spring Clean – Cllr Barker suggested that Pippin Way might be an ideal area for a Spring Clean.

CC & E 54 ALLOTMENTS:

- CC & E 54.1 Allotment Management The Assistant Clerk confirmed that all allotments had been taken. **Noted**
- CC & E 54.2 Additional Solar Lights had been fitted to the Communal Shed Noted
- CC & E 54.3 A heavy duty chain had been acquired for the main gate at the allotments Noted
- CC & E 54.4 Following a discussion the Committee agreed to invest in another Sun Bubble and to recommend to the Council for approval of funds to purchase a Communal good quality greenhouse.

 Unanimous

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- CC & E 54.6 Gallagher's had successfully completed the remedial maintenance work on the allotments. KHPC were delighted Gallagher's had completed works free of charge.

 Noted
- CC & E 54.7 Communal Shed: Cllr Colman suggested that the communal shed be painted and made good in spring.

 Noted

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