

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

**Meeting of the Cabinet Panel on the Environment held as a This will be a Virtual Meeting
on Wednesday, 9th September, 2020 at 7.30 pm**

1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

The Chair, Councillor Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg, welcomed everyone to this Virtual meeting of the Cabinet Panel on the Environment.

The Committee, Member and Scrutiny Officer gave advice regarding the following:

- Attendance;
- Live Streaming;
- Noise interference;
- Voting.

The Chair, Councillor Elizabeth Dennis-Harburg, started the meeting proper.

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Sam Collins, Ian Moody, Gerald Morris and Kay Tart.

Having given due notice, Councillor Carol Stanier advised that she would be substituting for Councillor Sam Collins;

Having given due notice, Councillor David Levett advised that he would be substituting for Councillor Ian Moody;

Having given due notice, Councillor Adem Ruggiero-Cakir advised that he would be substituting for Councillor Kay Tart.

3 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair welcomed those present at the meeting, especially those who had attended to give a presentation;
- (2) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be audio recorded and live streamed on Youtube;
- (3) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.

4 DISCUSSION REGARDING A NEW NORMAL FOR THE COUNCIL

A discussion regarding a New Normal for the Council took place including the future of council meetings, but this would be dependant on corresponding Government legislation.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - DIANE KETCHER AND SUE LINES

The Panel received a verbal presentation from Diane Ketcher and Sue Lines on the topic of biodiversity.

The Chair thanked Diane Ketcher and Sue Lines for addressing the Panel.

6 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - JULIA SONANDER

The Panel received a verbal presentation from Julia Sonander regarding EdiCitNet.

The Chair thanked Julia Sonander for addressing the Panel.

7 DISCUSSION REGARDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING

A discussion took place regarding the contributions that had been heard at the meeting.

8 INFORMATION NOTE - WORK PROGRAMME AND ACTION TRACKER

RESOLVED: That the Information Note entitled Work Programme and Action Tracker be noted and the following amendment be made:

‘E24’ under additionality commentary be changed to ‘E20’.

REASON FOR DECISION: To ensure that the Cabinet Panel on the Environment are able to plan its workload and monitor actions.