

# NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

## DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Cabinet Panel on the Environment held in the Remote Meeting Via Zoom on Wednesday, 17th July, 2024 at 7.30 pm

### 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Tina Bhartwas.

### 2 MINUTES - 20 MARCH 2024

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 20 March 2024 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chair.

### 3 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) 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.
- (3) The Chair reminded Members that the Council had declared both a Climate Emergency and an Ecological Emergency. These are serious decisions, and mean that, as this was an emergency, all of us, Officers and Members had that in mind as we carried out our various roles and tasks for the benefit of our District.
- (4) The Chair agreed a change to the order of tonight's agenda and Agenda Item 5 would now follow Agenda Item 7.

### 4 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

### 5 INFORMATION NOTE: WORK PROGRAMME 2024/25

The Policy and Strategy Team Leader provided a verbal update on the Work Programme for 2024/25 civic year.

### 6 INTRODUCTION TO CLIMATE AND SUSTAINABILITY WORK AT THE COUNCIL

The Climate Change and Sustainability Project Manager, the Policy and Strategy Team Leader and the Policy and Strategy Trainee provided a presentation to introduce Members to the climate and sustainability work ongoing at the Council.

### 7 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair led a discussion with Members and members of the public present on topics raised at this meeting.

### 8 WORK PROGRAMME SCOPING FOR THE PANEL FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Policy and Strategy Team Leader led a discussion with the Panel regarding the the Work Programme and possible topics for future meetings.

**9 REVIEW OF THE ENVIRONMENT PANEL ACTION TRACKER**

The Policy and Strategy Team Leader led a review of the Environment Panel Action Tracker.