

Cambridge City Council

Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee

Date: Thursday, 21 March 2024

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Market Square, Cambridge, CB2 3QJ [access the building via Peashill entrance]

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Agenda

- 1 Apologies for Absence
- 2 Declarations of Interest
- 3 Minutes (Pages 5 - 18)
- 4 Petition: Climate and Ecology Bill
A petition has been received containing over 50 valid signatures stating the following:

Statement:

We, the undersigned, petition Cambridge City Council to: (i) Support the Climate and Ecology Bill (CE Bill); (ii) Inform the local media of this decision; (iii) Write to our local MP, Daniel Zeichner, asking him to support the Bill; and (iv) Write to Zero Hour, the organisers of the cross-party campaign for the CE Bill, expressing Cambridge City Council's support (councils@zerohour.uk).

Justification:

The cross-party CE Bill would require the UK Government to develop and achieve a new environmental strategy. As the crises in climate and nature are deeply intertwined the Bill requires a new plan to:

- reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with the 1.5°C required under the UK's Paris Agreement obligations;
- set nature measurably on the path to recovery by 2030;
- prioritise nature in decision-making;
- end fossil fuel production and imports as rapidly as possible; and
- provide for re-training for those currently working in fossil fuel industries.

Originally introduced to Parliament by Caroline Lucas, it came before the House of Commons in May 2023 as a cross-party Bill. Cambridge City Council needs to join other councils, along with 881 organisations, politicians, and scientists from all over the UK and across 12 political parties, as well as some 42,000 members of the public, in giving it their backing.

The petition organiser will be given 5 minutes to present the petition at the meeting and the petition will then be discussed by Councillors for a maximum of 15 minutes.

5 Public Questions

Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Climate Action and Environment

6 Greater Cambridge Air Quality Strategy 2024 - 2029 (Pages 19 - 94)

7 Cambridge Market Status and Powers (Pages 95 - 112)

Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Communities

8 Creativity and Culture for All. Cambridge City Council's Cultural Strategy (2024-2029) (Pages 113 - 170)

9 Public Art Commissioning Strategy and the use of S106 Funding for Public Art (Pages 171 - 224)

Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Community Wealth Building and Community Safety

10 Community Wealth Building Strategy (Pages 225 - 286)

Decisions for the Executive Councillor for Open Spaces and City Services

11 2023/24 S106 Funding Round (Streets and Open Spaces) (Pages 287 - 320)

12 Outdoor Play Spaces Investment Strategy (Pages 321 - 358)

13 Herbicide Reduction Plan (Pages 359 - 384)

Environment and Community Scrutiny Committee Members: Divkovic (Chair), Nestor (Vice-Chair), Ashton, Glasberg, Hauk, Payne, Pounds and Swift

Alternates: Flaubert, Griffin, Howard, Levien and Sheil

Executive Councillors: Carling (Executive Councillor for Open Spaces and City Services), Gilderdale (Executive Councillor for Community Wealth Building and Community Safety and Deputy Leader (Statutory)), Moore (Executive Councillor for Climate Action and Environment) and Wade (Executive Councillor for Communities)

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Further information on public speaking will be supplied once registration and the written question / statement has been received.