

CLIMATE CHANGE AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee of the Bolsover District Council held in the Council Chamber, The Arc, Clowne on Tuesday, 8th October 2024 at 10:00 hours.

PRESENT:-

Members:-

Councillor Rob Hiney-Saunders in the Chair

Councillors Ashley Taylor (Vice-Chair), Cathy Jeffery, Catherine Tite and Carol Wood.

Officers:- Steve Brunt (Strategic Director of Services), Jim Fieldsend (Director of Governance and Legal Services & Monitoring Officer), Thomas Dunne-Wragg (Scrutiny Officer) and Matthew Kerry (Governance and Civic Officer).

Also in attendance at the meeting, observing, were Councillors Anne Clarke, Portfolio Holder for the Environment, and Jeanne Raspin, Junior Portfolio Holder for the Environment.

CLI8-24/25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received on behalf of Councillor Emma Stevenson.

CLI9-24/25 URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

There were no urgent items of business to be considered.

CLI10-24/25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

CLI11-24/25 MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Catherine Tite and seconded by Councillor Cathy Jeffery
RESOLVED that the minutes of a Climate Change and Communities Scrutiny Committee held on 23rd July 2024 be approved as a true and correct record.

CLI12-24/25 LIST OF KEY DECISIONS AND ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE

The Monitoring Officer presented the updated List of Key Decisions and Items to be considered to the Committee.

It was noted that the sale of land at Elmton Lane, Bolsover, had been completed by the Executive the day before the Committee.

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RESOLVED that the List of Key Decisions and Items to be considered in the private document be noted.

CLI13-24/25 PRESENTATION OF COUNCIL GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS IN RELATION TO DRAGONFLY - VERBAL UPDATE

The Monitoring Officer provided a presentation of the Council's Governance Arrangements in relation to Dragonfly Development and Dragonfly Management which included guidance on what should happen if there is a conflict of interest.

A discussion took place regarding transparency and some Members expressed concern about a perceived lack of transparency when it came to the Dragonfly businesses. The Monitoring Officer acknowledged Members' concerns and said that it was important for the Council to be as transparent as possible.

The Chair agreed that transparency was important and asked for the slides of the presentation be published. A link to the presentation could be found [here](#).

A link to reports concerning Dragonfly Development Limited and the Dragonfly Shareholder Board Meeting could be found in the agendas of the [Local Growth Scrutiny Committee](#).

CLI14-24/25 WORK PROGRAMME 2024/25

The Chair and Scrutiny Officer confirmed the Climate Change Officer would be present for the meeting in November 2024.

The Committee agreed to consider its Work Programme 2024/25 in the informal scrutiny session.

RESOLVED that the Work Programme 2024/25 be noted and discussed in the informal session.

The formal part of the meeting concluded at 10:43 hours and Members then met as a working party to continue their review work. The working party concluded at 11:41 hours.