

Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Group (CEEWG) held at Bruton Community Hall Monday 7th April 2025, 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Hood (Chair), Cllr Jones, Jane Durney, Nick Truman, Charles Couzens.

There were no members of the public present.

The meeting opened at 7.30pm

MEETING NOTES

24/012: Apologies for Absence (LGA 1972 s85(1)).

Apologies were received from Dee Mullis.

24/013: Notes of the previous meeting.

To receive and approve the [notes from the last meeting](#) held on 3rd February 2025.

The notes from the last meeting were agreed.

24/014: To review the Terms of Reference for the Climate and Ecological Emergency Working Group.

The Terms of Reference were reviewed, point by point. Suggested amendments were incorporated in a revised draft, which it is recommended that Council adopts at its April 2025 meeting.

24/015: One Planet Action Plan For Bruton.

To note that the final draft Plan is expected to be adopted by the Council at its April 2025 meeting.

It was noted that there are some minor typing errors.

To discuss and agree recommendations about:

- Links with the proposed new Town Plan for Bruton, including implications for the council's planning policy.

The Council is reviewing the Town Plan. There is a working group comprising of town councillors, One Planet Bruton and Chamber of Commerce representatives, led by Cllr Jones.

Cllr Jones explained that The Town Plan and the One Planet Action Plan for Bruton plan need to be complementary. It's helpful that the One Planet Action Plan for Bruton has been completed before the Town Plan refresh is launched.

The Town Plan Working Group is currently considering the focus of its survey, which is likely to cover a wider range than the previous survey, including well-being and nature. There is time for a fuller discussion of the questions and topics that CEEWG would wish to see included.

Agreed that this should be discussed at the next June meeting of CEEWG>

- Presentation.

The One Planet Action Plan for Bruton is currently presented as a pdf document, the same for the appendices, which, assuming approval, will be published on the Council's website.

Agreed that it would be helpful, though not necessary, to supplement the plan with images which can easily be added after approval. Also agreed to invite residents to contribute images for each theme, possibly via some kind of competition. Chair to take forward.

- How to put the plan into action?

It is important to recognise that the plan will only be successful and progressed if people come forward to support the various elements. The following actions were agreed:

- a) Follow-up to the workshop held in July 2024, on the theme of 'what next?'. 5 July 2025, 2.00 – 4.00 pm at the Community Hall [booked from 1.30-4.30pm].
- b) Cllrs Jones and Hood to review the draft plan to identify potential organisations and/or individuals to be invited to lead on particular actions.

- How to track progress.

Feedback can be obtained by direct discussions with the group leading on a particular element. Using tracking software that could integrate with the Bruton Town Council website was discussed.

24/016: Date of the next meeting of the working group: The next CEEWG meeting is **Monday 2nd June 2025**, 7.30pm at the Community Hall.

Agenda items: question recommendations for the Town Plan survey; planning for the July workshop; potential leads for particular actions.

Meeting closed at 8.13pm.

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