

**FINAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PENNARD COMMUNITY COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE HELD ON 7th NOVEMBER 2022 VIA ZOOM AT 7.00 PM**

**Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (S.1 (7) filming and recording of meetings by the press and the public is not permitted.**

**All votes will be named votes**

**Present:** Cllr Jean Marnell (Chair), Cllr Susan Rodaway SER, Cllr Will Smith WS, Cllr Lynda James LJ, Cllr Rachel Carter REC, Cllr Cari Jones CJ, Clerk, 1 Member of the Public from the Pennard Active Travel Group.

**Apologies:**

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are accepted.

Cllr Darran Hickery due to work commitments and Cllrs Karen Penny and Steve Sheriff due to personal commitments

It was proposed to accept the above councillors' apologies

**Proposed by LJ seconded by CJ agreed by all**

**Declarations of interest** Cllr Smith declared an interest during item 2.

**All votes will be named votes**

**Questions from the Public relating to items on this agenda (limited to 10 minutes)** None

**1. To draft the Environment and Youth Budget for 2023/24 for recommendation to Full Council.**

The Environment Budget was discussed and the figures entered into the Budgeting spreadsheet and the initial figures proposed.

**Proposed by CJ seconded by REC agreed by all with 1 abstention SER.**

The Youth Budget was discussed and the figures entered into the Budgeting spreadsheet and the initial figures proposed.

**Proposed by SER seconded by REC agreed by all**

**2. To amend the Biodiversity Plan in light of the recent conference, for recommendation to Full Council**

An amendment to the motion was proposed:

**To amend the Biodiversity Plan in light of the recent conference and following a final check between the proper officer and the Local Places for Nature Officer be recommended to Full Council.**

**Proposed by SER seconded by REC agreed by all.**

The Biodiversity Plan was discussed at length and amended to cover the next three years. It was agreed that the final touches and corrections would be done by the Clerk and Cllr Carter ready for presentation to Full Council. During this item Cllr Will Smith declared an interest as the discussion included a decision regarding the provision of pest control in the vicinity of the Community Hall and Squiggles Nursery.

**Proposed by WS seconded by CJ agreed by all**

**3. To discuss general feedback which came from the recent community sessions and to agree which items raised need to be referred to Full Council.**

The Clerk read out the feedback which she had been passed from the Participatory Budgeting sessions, several items simply needed answers, which she said she would provide as a questions and answer post onto the web site social media sites and the notice boards. Three items would be fed back to Full Council for discussion, these were regarding

- funding for the new local community bus,
- the proposed playground in Kittle,
- and the setting up of Community Councillor surgeries.

**Meeting closed at 9.10pm**