



Minutes of a meeting of the **Calstock Parish Council**,
ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE EMERGENCY SUB COMMITTEE
held on **Tuesday 06 December, in the Tamar Valley Centre at 1900**

Those present were; -

COUNCILLORS: Richard Newton Chance (Chair), Alex Polglase, Jim Wakem, Mark Warwick, Alastair Tinto, Andrew Brown,

COMMUNITY MEMBERS: Ken Finn, Peter Bloomfield, Gill Court
Miss Clare Bullimore (Deputy Clerk – *minutes*).

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr John Wells

2. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS

None

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Alison Freshney participated in the meeting.

4. APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – 04-10-2022

Proposal/Resolution: the minutes be approved. Proposed: Alex Tinto, seconded: Jim Wakem– approved by all those present at the last meeting.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Items covered on the agenda

6. WILLOW TIT PROJECT

It was agreed to fully support Andrew Brown who has secured funding for bird boxes and a workshop at Cotehele to raise awareness of the decline in willow tits and strategies to help increase numbers.

7. AVIAN FLU PROTOCOLS

Protocols have been published on the Parish Council's website following ward members and community members seeking appropriate advice– Clare will distribute to members to print out and display in local noticeboards.

8. PROGRESS ON HEDGEROWS

It was agreed for Alice Lewthwaite from the Tamara (AONB) project to be invited to a forthcoming meeting (February).



9. DESIGNATED BATHING WATER STATUS

Sophie Westwood worked hard on this and Richard Newton Chance submitted the final application on 31-10-2022. We are awaiting a response on this.

10. WATER QUALITY PROGRAMME AND FUNDING FOR WATER TESTING

It was agreed for Andrew Brown to approach Simon Browning at the Rivers Trust for advice on whether funding Horizon to carry out water testing would be beneficial for us to have baseline data which may help us to interpret data about water quality from organisations such as South West Water and/or the Environment Agency. Andrew will also produce a brief document setting out the objectives of the water testing scheme. Thanks to Andrew for his work on this.

11. REPORT BACK FROM NDP CONFERENCE, PENRYN

Richard, Alastair and Ken attended a conference in Penryn on the significance of the Climate Emergency Plan. Richard felt this – if adopted by Cornwall Council – would be an important document and carry more weight on planning decisions than the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

12. FURTHER RESPONSE TO THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY

It was agreed that Richard will produce an initial draft of a strategic plan for the committee to edit in order to set clear priorities and objectives -not just for the committee- but the Full Council.

Future meetings:

Tuesday 17 January 2023, 1900 (to look at the draft Strategy Document only)

Tuesday 21 February 2023, 1900

The meeting ended at 2015.

Signed: Date: