



Full Council Meeting – 28 July 2022

Agenda Item CC2332/22

Climate Change and Sustainability – HCCSP

Introduction

Hertfordshire Climate Change and Sustainability Partnership (HCCSP) was set up in 2020 and is the lead partnership organisation for Hertfordshire's local authorities and the Hertfordshire Local Enterprise Partnership to collaborate and develop joint work programmes on environmental, climate change and wider sustainability issues.

This paper explains what HCCSP is doing and proposes how the Parish Council might engage with and respond to HCCSP.

Discussion

HCCSP is co-ordinated by East Herts District Council and includes the County Council and all the District Councils. <https://www.eastherts.gov.uk/hertfordshire-climate-change-and-sustainability-partnership-hccsp>

The initial four key themes the Partnership focussed on were: **Water Sustainability, Biodiversity, Carbon Reduction, and Transport**. Two further Strategic Action Plans are currently in development on **Behaviour Change and Adaptation**.

Town & Parish Councils were invited to be represented at an on-line event in November 2021 to launch the first four strategic plans during COP26 which Andrew Gallagher attended.

The first four plans included some 146 separate actions. More than half were outside the direct control of its members. They require encouraging, influencing and facilitating to achieve behaviour change by others.

HCCSP has recently invited local interested parties to respond and comment on a draft [Behaviour Change Strategic Action Plan](#). This runs to 21 pages with 15 proposed "actions and targets". The consultation period runs until 14 August, with an online form for comments. (Questions listed at Annex A).

Our Chairman has asked:

- a) Whether the Council counts itself as a member (part-owner) of HCCSP; as a contributor of opinion; or as an onlooker?
- b) Whether the Council has bought in to the plans and, if so, how they translate into identifiable actions we can take?

Recommendations

1. The Parish Council should be a contributor of opinion (middle option) to HCCSP
2. The Parish Council should monitor and review HCCSP strategic plans and adopt those actions within its current remit and capacity
3. Any councillor who wishes to contribute to a combined response should provide their answers to the questions to the Clerk by 7th August.

ANNEX A – HCCSP Behaviour Change Strategic Action Plan – feedback survey:

[Link to HCCSP Behaviour Change Strategic Action Plan - feedback survey](#)

Please add your full name: **Clerk**

Are you completing this survey as a (select from the following):

Resident / Voluntary organisation / Business / **Other**

Please tell us the name of your organisation: **Croxley Green Parish Council**

Which district or borough are you in? **Three Rivers**

Privacy notice: **Consent: Completion of the survey, contact in relation to this survey and future communications from HCCSP about climate change and sustainability**
(please provide email below) **info@croxleygreen-pc.gov.uk**

Section 2: What is Behaviour Change?

Do you agree with the definition and explanation given at Section 2: What is behaviour change?

Do you have any further comments to add relating to section 2: What is Behaviour Change?

Section 3: Policy context

Do you agree with the context provided yes, no, I don't know?

Do you have any further comments to add relating to section 3: Policy Context?

Section 4: Defining the problem and identifying actions

Do you agree with the position as outlined?

Do you agree with the priority actions outlined in the table: Priority Action Areas for Communications Activity under 4.3.3 ?

Do you have any further comments to add relating to section 4: Defining the problem and Identifying Actions

Section 5: Actions and targets

Please share your thoughts on any specific aspects of an action or target. Please indicate which action you are referring to by using the alphanumeric on the left hand side of the table e.g. BC5

Do you have any further comments to add relating to section 5: actions and targets?

Section 6: Funding

Do you have any comments on this section?

Do you have any further comments on this document which you would like to share?

Thank you (**Submit Form**)

Andrew Gallagher

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