

**North West Chilterns Community Board**  
**Environmental and Climate Change Action Group**  
**Briefing Report for Community Board Meeting on 10 February 2022**

**Purpose:** This report provides a brief overview of the work undertaken by the Action Group since the Community Board Meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021.

**Priority Objectives:** The Action Group's priority objectives are to seek schemes and initiatives that have a sustainable and lasting effect on the North West Chilterns area through improving the built or rural environment and identifying and promoting methods of reversing environmental damage or climate change. Additionally, the Action Group seeks to help achieve the Council's Climate Change and Air Quality Strategy.

**Action Group:** The Action Group continues to meet monthly. Its agendas cover a mix of policy, strategic and fundraising related matters, many of which have been delegated to the group by the Community Board or raised by local councils, the public or by members of the group.

**Recent work has included:**

- Continuing to identify suitable locations with Town and Parish Council's for tree planting in streets and public spaces.
- Encouraging involvement in the Jubilee and Queens Green Canopy.
- Built relations with the Low Carbon Workspaces team who are helping promote the groups project on planting wildflowers in brownfield sites and meadows.
- Continuing to link in with Buckinghamshire Community Energy. We are currently supporting their leaky homes roadshow project.
- Supporting Stokenchurch Scout and Guide HQ in their project to install solar panels.
- Encouraging schemes looking at Wildflower planting in meadows and brownfield sites
- Looking at options to install Electric Vehicle charging points in public areas.
- Supporting joint community planning and community resilience trough planned education programmes in areas like flood management.
- Supporting pond and habitat restoration

**Projects planned and actions going forward**

- Had a presentation from Beaconsfield Recycling Centre on the recycling of lithium batteries and have agreed to discuss at the next meeting how to use their templates and publications to promote awareness in this area.
- Liaising with the Chiltern Society on the restoration work of the Whiteleaf Cross and car park.
- Exploring support for the Prince's Centre's plan to install solar panels on its building.
- In discussion with Chiltern Rangers on their Pollinator Patches proposal which includes planting wildflower seeds from school, then to home and a public space.
- Researching other possible project opportunities.

**Chairman: Cllr Robert Carington**