

Supplementary Agenda



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A MEETING OF THE Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2020 AT 6.00 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

Watch here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTj2pCic8vzucpzlaSWE3UQ>

Members of the Committee:

Sue Roberts (Chair)

Sam Casey-Rerhaye
Sue Cooper
Stefan Gawrysiak
Sarah Gray

Kate Gregory
Lynn Lloyd
Jane Murphy

Caroline Newton
David Rouane
Celia Wilson

Substitutes

Ken Arlett
Robin Bennett
Elizabeth Gillespie
Lorraine Hillier

Kellie Hinton
Mocky Khan
Axel Macdonald
Andrea Powell

Jo Robb
Anne-Marie Simpson
Alan Thompson

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MARGARET REED
Head of Legal and Democratic

4 Urgent business (Pages 2 – 3, letter with weblinks included)

To receive notification of any matters which the chair determines should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances which have made the matters urgent.

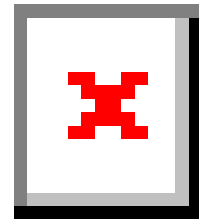
To: Wells, Michelle
Subject: RE: Blueprint Coalition letter to council leaders

From: Blueprint Coalition <mike.childs@friendsoftheearth.vuelio.co.uk>

Sent: 20 November 2020 15:43

To: Cooper, Sue <Sue.Cooper@southoxon.gov.uk>

Subject: Blueprint Coalition letter to council leaders



Dear Sue Cooper,

Please support the call for more resources and powers for councils to deliver on climate change.

We are writing to you as a coalition of council organisations, environment groups, and others which has been formed to make a concerted push to secure more powers and resources for local authorities to deliver on climate change.

In 2019 many councils up and down the country passed motions declaring a climate and ecological emergency or expressed determination to act through other means. Of course, the Covid-19 pandemic continues to dominate the attention of councils in 2020 and will do for some time yet. But we know that the clock is ticking and the window of opportunity to stop the worst impacts of climate change is shortening. Thankfully, action to radically reduce carbon emissions can also help covid-19 economic recovery, creating new jobs, supporting the growth of the businesses and industries of the future, and delivering health benefits such as cleaner air.

We have produced [a blueprint](#) for the changes needed, drawing on inputs from councillors and council officers gathered through conferences and seminars organised by the LGA and the Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT) and through our networks. The blueprint is not intended to be the final word, but rather as a starting point for constructive and meaningful discussion with government.

We are sure you would agree that the government's climate change targets cannot be met without the full and

active participation of local councils. While you can take some actions right now it is also true that like other councils you need more resources and powers to fully deliver. **We are writing to you to ask you to support a push to get the powers and resources councils need.**

Please can you sign-up your council to support the call for more powers and resources so you can fully deliver on climate change in your area. It is very quick and easy to do so by filling out [this form](#) on the ADEPT website. By doing so you will join the other 38 councils that already have done so from across the political spectrum.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Nigel Riglar, President, **Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport (ADEPT)**

Sharon Kemp, **policy spokesperson for environment and climate change, Solace**

Dan Jones, Chair, **London Environmental Directors Network**

Harriet Lamb CBE, CEO, **Ashden**

Professor Sam Fankhauser, Principal Investigator, **Place-Based Climate Action Network (PCAN)**

Professor Martin Siegert and Professor Ralf Toumi , Co-Directors, **Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment**

Miriam Turner and Hugh Knowles, Co-CEO, **Friends of the Earth**

John Sauvan, Executive Director, **Greenpeace**

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