

# CLIMATE CHANGE, LEISURE AND HOUSING COMMITTEE

## NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held on Wednesday, 24 July 2024 at 7.30 pm in the Penn Chamber, Three Rivers, Northway, Rickmansworth.

Members of the Climate Change, Leisure and Housing Committee:-

Councillors:

Sara Bedford  
Steve Drury (Co-Chair)  
Stephen King  
Chris Lloyd (Co-Chair)  
Reena Ranger  
Ciaran Reed

Mike Sims  
Tom Smith  
Cheryl Stungo  
Jon Tankard (Co-Chair)  
Anne Winter

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*Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive  
Tuesday, 16 July 2024*

The Council welcomes contributions from members of the public on agenda items at the Climate Change, Leisure and Housing Committee meetings. Details of the procedure are provided below:

For those wishing to speak:

Members of the public are entitled to register and identify which item(s) they wish to speak on from the published agenda for the meeting. Those who wish to register to speak are asked to register on the night of the meeting from 7pm. Please note that contributions will be limited to one person speaking for and one against each item for not more than three minutes.

In the event of registering your interest to speak on an agenda item but not taking up that right because the item is deferred, you will be given the right to speak on that item at the next meeting of the Committee.

Those wishing to observe the meeting are requested to arrive from 7pm.

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The meeting will be broadcast/livestreamed and an audio recording of the meeting will be made.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**2. MINUTES**

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To confirm, as being a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Climate Change, Leisure and Community Committee, held on 13 March 2024.

**3. NOTICE OF OTHER BUSINESS**

Items of other business notified under Council Procedure Rule 30 to be announced, together with the special circumstances that justify their consideration as a matter of urgency. The Chair to rule on the admission of such items.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive any declarations of interest.

**5. TO RECEIVE A PETITION UNDER COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 18**

The Committee are asked to receive a petition which requests the restoration of a recreational area at South Oxhey Playing Fields, as the petition details below. The petition has been signed by 126 residents.

“We, the undersigned residents of the local community, urge the Three Rivers District Council to:

- Reassess the situation and consider the reinstatement of a recreational area, suitable for playing recreational cricket at South Oxhey Playing Fields, taking into account the needs and preferences of the community.
- Conduct a transparent and open consultation process with the community to discuss the future of the park and its facilities, including the potential reinstatement of a cricket pitch for recreational cricket or a similar recreational area.
- Commit to prioritising community needs and preferences when making decisions about park facilities and ensuring open communication throughout the process.
- Consider alternative solutions: Explore alternative solutions that address the Council's concerns while preserving the valuable community space, previously utilised for recreational activities.”

**6. THE BURY GROUNDS BIODIVERSITY PROJECT**

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11 - 22)

The purpose of this report is to provide an overview and context for the Bury Grounds project which is proposed to include: river restoration, access improvements, habitat enhancements and protecting heritage present on site.

Recommendation

That the Climate Change, Leisure & Housing Committee:

Agree to progress the implementation of the fully funded parts of the project as outlined at point 2.7.1 - 2.7.6 (River Improvements) and 2.7.7 - 2.7.9 (Habitat Enhancements) and to progress those identified at points 2.7.10 - 2.7.12 (Access improvements) and 2.7.13 - 2.7.14 (protecting the heritage) subject to securing external funding.

**7. WORK PROGRAMME**

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23 - 26)

To receive the Committee's Work programme.

**8. OTHER BUSINESS - if approved under item 3 above**

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