

CLIMATE CHANGE AND LEISURE COMMITTEE

NOTICE AND AGENDA

For a meeting to be held on Wednesday, 11 March 2026 at 7.30 pm in Penn Chamber, Three Rivers House, Rickmansworth, WD3 1RL.

Members of the Climate Change and Leisure Committee:-

Councillors:

Chris Lloyd (Co-Chair)
Jon Tankard (Co-Chair)
Raj Khuroya
Joan King
Abbas Merali

Reena Ranger
Mike Sims
Tom Smith
Cheryl Stungo

*Joanne Wagstaffe, Chief Executive
Tuesday, 3 March 2026*

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. MINUTES

(Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm, as being a correct record, the minutes of the Climate Change & Leisure Committee, held on 14 January 2026.

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 is asked to receive a petition which requests the reopening of the Ebury Playground, as detailed below. The petition has been signed by 117 residents.

The petition is:

“The undersigned are petitioning for the reopening of Ebury Playground, which remains closed pending an arrangement between the Three Rivers District Council (TRDC) and the contractor regarding the eradication of Japanese Knotweed. This issue arose after the invasive plan was introduced to the site by the contractor.”

6. Budget Management Report P10 - CC&L (Pages 11 - 22)

This report covers this Committee’s financial position over the medium term (2025 – 2029) as at Period 10 (end of January 2026). The Period 10 comprehensive Budget Management report has already been presented to the Policy & Resources Committee at its meeting on 9 March 2026 which sought approval to a change in the Council’s 2025 – 2029 medium-term financial plan.

Recommendation

That members note and comment on the contents of the report.

7. Climate Emergency and Sustainability Action Plan Update (Pages 23 - 106)

This report provides an update on the council’s performance against the Climate Emergency and Sustainability Strategy 2024-2027 (Appendix 3.) and its associated Action Plan detailed at Appendix 2.

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- i. Notes the progress made in delivering the strategy.
- ii. Agrees to the addition of new actions as outlined at paragraph 3.13 to 3.17.

8. Prestwick Road Meadows Management Plan 2026-2036 (Pages 107 - 182)

New ten-year management plan has been developed for Prestwick Road Meadows in South Oxhey. The new plan contains management actions over the next ten years from financial year 2026/27 until 2035/36. The detailed actions relate to habitat management, scrub/vegetation management, pond clearance and tree works.

Officers are recommending that this plan is approved by the Climate Change and Leisure Committee and adopted by the Council. Should the plans be approved, Officers will seek to implement the actions within the plans over the next ten years. Work will be completed within existing budgets or subject to external funding.

Recommendation

That the Climate Change and Leisure Committee:

- i. Adopt the new ten-year Management Plan for Prestwick Road Meadows.
- ii. Give delegated authority to the Director of Finance to enter into a contract or funding agreement above the value of £25,000, subject to securing external funding to facilitate works to support the implementation of the Management Plans.
- iii. That public access to the report be immediate.
- iv. That public access to the decision be immediate.

9. WORK PROGRAMME

(Pages 183 - 184)

To receive the Committee's work programme.

10. OTHER BUSINESS - if approved under item 3 above

General Enquiries: Please contact the Committee Team at committeeteam@threerivers.gov.uk

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