



## Sustainable Calne – Minutes

**Meeting:** Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020 6pm held online

Minutes by Tom Morris

### 1. Attendees/Apologies

Attendees: Cllr John Bennett(Chair), Jenny Joyce(Vice-Chair), Stan Wood(Treasurer), Tom Morris(Secretary), Denis Robinson, Cllr Robert MacNaughton, James Gladding, Suzie Bedo, Cllr John Boaler, Wendy Maxwell, Lyn Wind, Lorna Harvey, Sophy Fearnley-Whittingstall, Cllr Glenis Ansell, Su Johnson

Apologies received from: Averil Ashton, Celia Stevens, Tamzyn Long, Mala Tu, Becky Timmins

### 2. Minutes approved

Minutes of the last meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> September were approved with a minor amendment

### 3. Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary reports

Treasurer:

\*Balance is £492.11. Reports are available here: [www.sustainablecalne.org.uk/minutes-of-our-meetings.html](http://www.sustainablecalne.org.uk/minutes-of-our-meetings.html)

Secretary:

\*Wiltshire Climate Alliance – TomM and JamesG attended meetings on Transport (Roads & Cycling). Members can sign up at [www.wiltshireclimatealliance.org.uk](http://www.wiltshireclimatealliance.org.uk). There is a youth session with Wiltshire Council in November and the first meeting of the Youth section is on 21<sup>st</sup> October

\*Calne Town Neighbourhood Plan – JamesG and CeliaS will attend meetings

\*North End raised beds – GlenisA will follow up with a letter to residents. Also RobertM reported that TamzynL is working on raised beds with Green Square Housing so there may be some synergies.

\*Friends of the River Marden / Avon Needs Trees Events – see 8. Events below. To be shared with membership by TomM

### 4. Solar Farm Survey

As part of the feasibility study for the solar farm, which is progressing after winning the Rural Community Energy Fund grant, JamesG shared a Community Engagement draft survey.

This will be used face to face and online. Discussion followed and suggestions made.



## 5. Strategy and Planning

JamesG made a presentation on Strategy and Planning to be shared with membership.

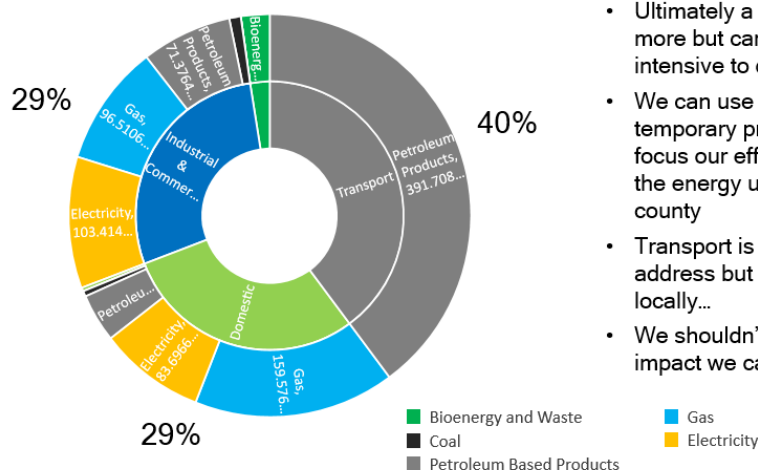
Highlights included how Transport, Domestic Energy and Business Energy emissions made up 98% of Wiltshire's carbon emissions but suggested that we should not underestimate the potential impact we can have elsewhere, identifying 4 main themes for Sustainable Calne to work across, and which we can do through and with the many groups already established in Calne:

1. Deliver community energy
2. Enhance local ecology
3. Influence sustainable transport
4. Build happier, healthier communities



## We talked last time about a baseline being a good starting point..



Total sub-national final energy consumption, Wiltshire - 2017  
Ktoe, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy



- Ultimately a Calne baseline will help even more but can be time-consuming and intensive to develop...
- We can use the Wiltshire profile as a temporary proxy to help define where to focus our efforts - CO2 emissions mirror the energy usage by sector across the county
- Transport is likely the biggest issue to address but probably the hardest to solve locally...
- We shouldn't underestimate the potential impact we can have elsewhere...

 <b>deliver community energy</b>	<p>helping deliver lower carbon alternatives for residential and commercial energy needs</p>	 <b>enhance local ecology</b>	<p>creating opportunities that enhance our natural habitats, increase biodiversity and that support the sequestration of CO2 emissions</p>
<p>driving more efficient use of transport and promotion of alternatives to lower environmental impact</p>	 <b>influence sustainable transport</b>	<p>striving to create meaningful benefits to the community through schools education, improving air quality, decreasing fuel poverty and creating greener, cleaner places to thrive</p>	 <b>build happier, healthier communities</b>
<p>increase our impact and influence via mutually beneficial partnerships e.g. Calne Town Council, Calne Without Parish Council, Wiltshire Climate Alliance</p>			



In asking What's Next, JamesG then suggested the following:

## What's next?...

1. How do we prioritise what is important?
  - Weighting across 4 key activity areas ensuring we tackle the difficult issues as well as the quick wins...
  - Balance of small to big projects to allow involvement independent of time or capability
  - Assessment of how these initiatives contribute towards a carbon neutral ambition – longer term link back to baseline data to measure and celebrate success
2. Build sub-level objectives based on key activities and targeted focus areas
  - E.g. Power, heating, cycling etc.

It was agreed to continue work on these themes in the next meeting.

Notes:

\*GlenisA asked for details on the suggestion made by JamesG for development by LIDL. This was ASHP = Air Source Heat Pumps that are an alternative (with Ground Source Heat Pumps) to using Mains Gas for heating.

\*Cane Town Council is employing someone to lead on climate crisis, a Green Groundsman, to start in November

\*GlenisA asked that Single Use Plastic campaign can be picked up by Sustainable Calne and this was agreed. GlenisA to send brief to StanW.

### 6. AOB

\*Group / Project briefs to be sent to StanW for placing on our website

\*Contact TomM to be connected in to any project

\*Solar Audit – request for member's to count houses with solar panels. Tom to provide street list

\*Solar Panels for Calne Town Council – John Boaler discussed with solar panel supplier who advised that Grade II listed buildings could have panels. John Bennett to email Jeanette Young (Town Clerk).

\*A number of first time attendees were welcomed and spoke about their interests

### 7. Date of next meeting

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 6pm online



## 8. Appendix: Events

### Friends of the Marden Valley/ Avon Needs Trees

Collaborative Zoom meeting organised by both the Friends of the Marden Valley, and Avon Needs Trees on the history of the Marden Valley; the River, the Canal, and the Railway Line.

The three speakers are Alan Lank, from the Wilts and Berks Canal Trust, Sue Boddington, the Curator of Calne Heritage Centre and Tim Havenith, historian and author of an upcoming book on the Marden Valley. Each talk will take around 20 minutes, with Q and As after if possible.

Topic: History of the Marden Valley; the River, the Canal, and the Railway Line

Time: Oct 29, 2020 18:00 London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83113529639?pwd=UDQvZ3MyTE9uUTVxUGNtY1RHZkFIdz09>

Meeting ID: 831 1352 9639

Passcode: 143511

Avon Needs Trees are offering site tours of their land at Hazeland on Sunday November 1st. Attendees should allow 1.5 - 2 hours and each tour will be in a group of no more than six, staggered throughout the day. Anyone who would like to attend should email Dorian, the ANT administrator, on [dorian.wainwright@avonneedstrees.org.uk](mailto:dorian.wainwright@avonneedstrees.org.uk) indicating whether they would like a morning or afternoon visit. They will allocate times as far in advance as possible. There will be other dates in November. See the website