Environmental Policy Action Plan

Aims of the policy: In its own activities and through its influence over others KPC will aim to make a positive contribution to protecting and enhancing the local and global environment by promoting the conservation and sustainable use of natural resources, minimising environmental pollution and promoting bio-diversity.

POLICY	ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE	TIME FRAME
Comply with relevant environmental legislation and regulations	Bring any new legislation to Council's attention, to be flagged in clerk's report to Council.	All / Clerk	Ongoing
2. Minimise consumption of resources; reuse and recycle	Aim to identify and implement five improvements.	All / clerk	12 months
3. Whilst striving to get best value use environmentally sustainable products where possible			
4. Manage the Pavilion in a sustainable way	Review use of utilities (gas/ electricity, water, phones)	All / clerk	Quarterly
	Ask Pavilion Committee to identify improvements that can be made in management of Pavilion and report back to Council	Pavilion Management Committee / Clerk	Two monthly

5. Manage the land we own to minimise environmental pollution where possible and promote bio-diversity	In light of this policy Council to review contracts for managing the Village and St Pancras Greens and Tennis Courts before renewal to discuss at Council and identify if any improvements can be made. Review development of Meadow area as planned	Clerk / Council Action Group and Council	12 months 31/10/2021
	Action Tree survey Explore development of green corridors through village and report back to KPC	KPC Action Group reporting back to KPC	Ongoing 6 Months
6. Use contractors who where possible are local and support our approach	For any new contracts <i>ensure</i> environmental aspects (e.g. travel, products used) are considered in our decision-making where possible.	Clerk / KPC / Pavilion Committee	Ongoing
7. Support sustainable development where development is permitted in line with policies in SDNPA local plan	Include environmental aspects in decision-making on planning applications. (NB We already assess planning applications against SDNPA policy.)	All	Ongoing
8. Support initiatives that encourage sustainable transport including improving cycle paths and footpaths	Liaise with ESCC, LDC and SDNPA as required Follow up ESCC Cycling and walking infrastructure plan Draw up an action plan for the development of footpaths and cycleways	CM CM KPC and Action Group	Ongoing Ongoing 6 months

9. Take environmental factors into account in our decision-making	Flag any issues in agenda with envi- ronmental aspect to ensure factors in- cluded in decision-making	Clerk / chair / vice chair	Ongoing
10. As far as possible keep up to date with national and local environmental policies and strategies which may support / impact on KPC intitiatives	Identify lead person to review issues and initiatives and report back to KPC on a regular basis issues for discussion / action: e.g. liaise / engage with Ouse Valley Cares Development Project; keep abreast of development of LDC Climate Change and Sustainability Strategic Framework	CM prepared to do this unless someone else wants to	Ongoing

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