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Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Sustainability Committee meeting held in the Anzac Room, Community House on 30th June 2026 at 7:30pm.

Present: Cllr S Griffiths (Chair), Cllr I Sharkey, Cllr M Campbell, Cllr Mills, Cllr Gordon-Garrett, Cllr Harman, Cllr Rosser

Officers: Zoe Polydorou (Meetings & Projects Officer)

1 member of the public was in attendance.

1 ES28 CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair opened the meeting at 19:35, welcomed members to the meeting, ran through the Civility and Respect statement, explained the fire procedure, reminded committee of the mobile phone protocol, that the meeting was being recorded.

2 ES29 PUBLIC QUESTIONS - *There will be a 15-minute period whereby members of the public may ask questions on any relevant Environment & Sustainability matter.*

There was 1 public questioner who expressed sustainability proficiency and was keen to know how to contribute to the committee. They commented on the recent PTC Sustainable Living Fair and queried how it converted into something more meaningful, and raised that Peacehaven was a heritage site but not well known. They commented on external groups they are part of.

The Chair suggested the member of public join some TFGs, and members thanked them for their attendance.

3 ES30 TO CONSIDER APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE & SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies were received from Cllr Hart, with Cllr Rosser as substitute.

4 ES31 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There were no declarations of interest.

5 ES32 TO ELECT A VICE CHAIR OF THIS COMMITTEE

It was proposed to elect Cllr Hart as Vice Chair of this committee
Proposed by: Cllr Sharkey **Seconded by:** Cllr Gordon Garrett
Committee **resolved** to **elect** Cllr Hart as Vice Chair of this committee.

6 ES33 TO ADOPT THE MINUTES FROM THE 10TH MARCH 2026

Proposed by: Cllr Mills **Seconded by:** Cllr Campbell
Committee **resolved** to **adopt** the minutes.

7 ES34 TO AGREE THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE REPAIR CAFÉ REPORT

Cllr Sharkey outlined their report, and commented on being pleased with project progress. Members discussed day options, the importance of alternating with other local Repair Cafes, queried the repair logistics, and positive comments were put forward about the project.

The Meetings & Projects Officer summarised the recent meeting with Saltdean's Repair Café, ran through the results of the Repair Café survey on screen, explained that funding had been applied for, and emphasised that the PR Officer would

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manage the marketing, but there was insufficient Officer time to run and manage the events.

Members understood that the project was Councillor led, and concern was raised over PTC reputation with volunteers managing the event, whereby the Meetings & Projects Officer emphasised that the office would manage the marketing.

Cllr Mills raised that his wife was qualified as a PAT tester.

It was proposed to agree to a Repair Café.
Proposed by: Cllr Sharkey **Seconded by:** Cllr Gordon-Garrett
All in **favour**

It was proposed for the café to run on a Saturday.
Proposed by: Cllr Campbell **Seconded by**: Cllr Rosser
All in **favour**

It was proposed to set up a Peacehaven Repair Café TFG
Proposed by: Cllr Sharkey **Seconded by**: Cllr Campbell
All in **favour**.
Members: Cllr Sharkey, and all Councillors to be invited.

8 ES35 TO AGREE PTC ACTIONS TO IMPROVE OUR SEA AND SHORELINE

Cllr Griffiths outlined the report. Cllr Campbell mentioned it had been a Business Plan item, and it was agreed in 2023 to care for assets of green and blue assets, where monitoring the cleanliness of the sea close to Peacehaven had been discussed.

Members discussed that Peacehaven beach and the clifftop was regularly litter picked, that any vandalism in that area be reported, including to LDC, Cllr Rosser mentioned the possibility of a dinosaur dome on the seafront in terms of an investment consideration; whereby the Chair clarified confirmed it was not PTCs responsibility. Cllr Mills suggested being happy to lead walks.

It was proposed to set up a TFG and to include discussion of a sea cleanliness monitor.
Proposed by: Cllr Campbell **Seconded by:** Cllr Gordon-Garrett
All in **favour**.

Members: Cllr Harman, Cllr Griffiths, and all Councillors to be invited.

20:26 – Cllr Campbell left the meeting

8 ES36 TO RECEIVE UPDATES FROM TASK & FINISH GROUPS (TFGs)

a. Biodiversity Report TFG
No update made.

b. E&S Action plan TFG
It was proposed that item 9 be carried out under the Biodiversity TFG remit.
Proposed by: Cllr Sharkey **Seconded by**: Cllr Gordon-Garett
All in **favour.**

It was proposed to agree to the Action Plan revisions, apart from the ones with comments from the Meetings & Projects Officer suggesting possible removal
Proposed by: Cllr Campbell **Seconded by**: Cllr Mills
All in **favour**.

20:29 - Cllr Campbell rejoined the meeting

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c. Climate Policy
No update made.

The Chair suggested the member of public may be interested to join a TFG.

10 ES37 TO AGREE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING TUESDAY 3RD NOVEMBER 2026 AT 7.30PM
The next meeting was **agreed**.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 20:42

S. Gibbins 3/11/26