

## CLIMATE ACTION

**Summary:** To update the Executive Committee on the upcoming workshops and activity plan for the remainder of 2023/24 and 2024/25.

**Recommendation:** That the Executive Committee notes the report

**Report by:** Andy Parsons, Chief Executive

### BOARD MEMBERS REPRESENTED ON THE CLIMATE ACTION WORKING GROUP (CAWG)

- Benjamin Dent (Chair)
- Martin Brown
- Jane Hull
- Rosie Pearson
- Isabel Ross
- Katherine Chesson

#### 1. CAWG MEETINGS/ACTIVITY SINCE THE LAST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 13 September – the Working Group met online to agree the key criteria for the upcoming autumn workshops.
- Various dates – meetings with 3Keel (sustainability advisors) who have been appointed to design and deliver the workshops, and then to write a report that outlines a pathway towards net zero that can be endorsed by the CNL Board (target: February 2024).

#### 2. DATES, THEMES AND LOCATIONS OF THE WORKSHOPS

- *Tuesday 17 October* – CNL Board Members, Volunteers and Employees (2pm-5pm), with lunch from 1pm. This will be more generalist and cover all the themes. Location: Cirencester Baptist Church, Cirencester
- *Tuesday 24 October* – Land Use and Land Management 1 (1:30pm-4:30pm), with lunch from 12:30pm. Location: Warwick Hall, Burford
- *Wednesday 25 October* – Land Use and Land Management 2 (1:30pm-4:30pm), with lunch from 12:30pm. Location: Stroud District Council, Ebley Mill, Stroud
- *Wednesday 8 November* – Energy (10am-1pm), online
- *Monday 13 November* – Food and Drink (and other goods/services) (10am-1pm), online
- *Wednesday 15 November* – Transport (residents and visitors) (10am-1pm), online

Places for Board Members, employees and volunteers will be limited to ensure there are spaces available to as wide an audience as possible. It is envisaged that no more than 3-4 Board Members and 3-4 employees/volunteers will attend each of the themed workshops.

#### 3. FUNDING THE WORK DURING 2023/24

- The cost of the 3Keel contract is £29,400.
- There is £21,800 remaining in the Climate Change budget, which will go towards covering these costs.
- The Chief Executive is currently exploring various options to help fund the workshops, without having a negative impact on the year-end financial position.

**4. RESOURCING A DEDICATED ROLE FROM 2024/25 ONWARDS**

- The Chief Executive and the Partnerships and Fundraising Lead are seeking funding opportunities to employ a dedicated Climate Action role, whose focus it will be to start to implement some of the recommendations (working with partners and landowners, etc.).

**5. TIMELINE OF ACTIVITY**

- The Chair of the Climate Action Working Group (Ben Dent) has put together a process map (*Appendix A*) for the development and adoption of a Net Zero Pathway, and its subsequent delivery and review.

**NO DECISIONS REQUIRED**

**SUPPORTING PAPERS**

- Appendix A – Process Map

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