

EAST DEVON LOCALITY (COUNTY) COMMITTEE

22 November 2019

Present:-

Devon County Council:-

Councillors R Bloxham, C Channon, I Chubb, S Hughes and P Twiss (Chair)

East Devon District Council

Councillor M Howe

Devon Association of Local Councils

Council D Stewart

Apologies:-

Councillors Hartnell, T McCollum, I Hall, S Randall-Johnson, R Scott, M Shaw and J Trail

* **6** **Minutes**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2019 be signed as a correct record.

* **7** **Items requiring urgent attention**

There was no item raised as a matter of urgency.

* **8** **Climate Change**

The Committee received two presentations on Climate Change. The first presentation was from Penny Tranter, Chartered Meteorologist from the Met Office, which gave comprehensive scientific information on Climate Change, including:

- Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- Ten Indicators of a Warming World
- Climate Risks, Extreme Events and Related Impacts
- Number of World Natural Catastrophes 1980-2018
- UKCP18 (UK Climate projections) 2018
- Representative Concentration Pathway
- Future UK temperatures
- Southwest sea Level Rise

The second presentation from James Chubb, Countryside Team Leader from East Devon District Council covered Climate Change, Biodiversity and Species Extinction, including:

- Species extinction as a result of habitat loss
- Woodland regeneration (tree planting)
- Coastal squeeze phenomenon
- Carbon sequestration by habitat
- Newly created saltmarsh - Black Hole Marsh

The Committee expressed their sincere thanks to both Penny Tranter and James Chubb for their thought-provoking presentations. Members requested that copies of the Met Office presentation be forwarded to them for wider circulation.

[N.B. copies of both the above mentioned presentations are attached to these Minutes and further information is available at <https://sway.office.com/cuDEBvJYLGCIFDxB?ref=Link> and <https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/research/approach/collaboration/ukcp/about>.]

***DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The Meeting started at 12.00 pm and finished at 1.00 pm