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ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Environment Committee will be held on **THURSDAY 6 JUNE 2019** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm.**

Kathy O'Leary
Chief Executive

Please Note: This meeting will be filmed for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's internet site (www.stroud.gov.uk). By entering the Council Chamber you are consenting to being filmed. The whole of the meeting will be filmed except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of the press and public.

A G E N D A

- 1 **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies for absence.
- 2 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
To receive declarations of interest.
- 3 **MINUTES**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 28 March 2019.
- 4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
The Chair of Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.
DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS
Noon on Monday 3 June 2019.
Questions must be submitted in writing to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and sent by post or by Email: democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk
- 5 **PETITION**
A petition organised by Lee Sibley received on 25 April 2019, has been received as follows:
"Save Stroud & Save Rural England!"
Petition Words According to the respected think-tank Migration Watch UK:
"Our central concern is the current massive level of immigration which, if allowed to continue, would mean that the population of the UK would increase by 10 million in 25 years, 82% of it due to future migrants and their children. Migration is, of course, a natural part of an open economy and society but it must be sustainable and must have the assent of the British public - yet many in the media and political class have

long dismissed widespread public concern and the strong view of a clear majority that the current level of net migration of around a quarter of a million a year must be significantly reduced."

Stroud District council alone wants to build a staggering build of 12,800 plus more which they may have planned in there sleeves. This is not just about Stroud constituency this is happening all over the country up and down which is why me and David discussed the problems and our concerns for our great country and the character of our nation!

We hope you can help and support us by simply signing that's all we ask if you can share with friends and family even better or if you can pay to promote on Facebook and Instagram all would be appreciated and you would be proud when we finally take control over the situation and protect our environment.

Nearly all hedgehogs are fastly disappearing at a rapid pace this is alarming. Our wildlife are disappearing and unprotected any more they have no home to go to.

Think this way you have a house, car and money. Imagine coming home and nothing was there and it's all gone. The question I'm asking you is how would you feel? The answer would be you feel angry and disappointed that your home has been taken away from you and the environment. Yet this is what happening to animals and they are feeling the same way at the moment. We are making a hostile environment which is wrong!

This mass destruction hasn't just affected the countryside or habitats it's also affected us the young generations and old who used to or can't play in the woods or on farms no more as there are simply none left: I don't know how nobody could be moved by this.

According, to recent studies nearly over 50% of our countryside are disappearing and why the reason behind is the council are greedy and so are the developers.

MP's also no longer represents the people as have emailed David Drew for Stroud who is Shadow Minister for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. So, if he is a shadow minister for the environment and food and rural affairs surely he knows way better about the environment than anyone and a supposed to be campaigner for the countryside yet when I've emailed him all I simply get is I agree or a paragraph which is totally unhelpful.

This is shocking that no authority are alarmed by the scale of our disappearing farms. Maybe, it be too late to act!

All we are asking is could you please sign our petition that's all and share we're not asking for a lot we just need your help in order to achieve change. We cannot let this regime continue to destroy our generations just remember when you were kids playing in fields and now it's being taken away from us everyday. This is close to my heart for many reasons as love going for bike rides and long walks around the lanes and farm yards but it's all going everywhere you turn to the places you once love to get some quiet are going!

My name is and I am a pro-Brexit activist who lives in the beautiful village of Stroud in Gloucestershire. My village could be anywhere in England. It is full of good local people and has all the values that forms the backbone of our nation. Sadly our council wants to ruin this by selling land for the building a staggering 12,000 homes destroying our village. Now it's Stroud but soon it will be everywhere. We simply don't have enough homes for all these people coming to Britain. We need to look after our

own people. I am asking you to sign this petition we will submit to Stroud Council and also the Prime Minister. If you want England to remain a green and pleasant land then please sign NOW!"

In accordance with the Council's Petitions Scheme, the petition is to be debated by Committee. The petition organiser will be given 3 minutes to present the petition and the petition will then be debated by Committee for a maximum of 15 minutes.

6 PROGRESSING CARBON NEUTRAL 2030

To agree the actions set out within the report.

7 UBICO BUSINESS PLAN & 5 YEAR VISION 2019/2020

To note the business plan and agree to change the sign off progress for the business plan in subsequent years

8 APPOINTMENTS

- a) Performance Monitoring Representatives
- b) Outside Bodies

9 MEMBER REPORTS

- a) Planning Review Panel
- b) Stroud Concordat

10 WORK PROGRAMME

To consider the work programme.

11 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

See Agenda Item 4 for deadline for submission.

Members of Environment Committee 2019-2020

Councillor Simon Pickering (Chair)

Councillor George Butcher (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Chris Brine

Councillor Paul Denney

Councillor Jim Dewey

Councillor Trevor Hall

Councillor Haydn Jones

Councillor Dave Mossman

Councillor Skeena Rathor

Councillor Haydn Sutton

Councillor Jessica Tomblin

Councillor Tim Williams