



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Environment Committee will be held on **THURSDAY, 7 DECEMBER 2023** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary  
Chief Executive

**Please Note:** The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

If you wish to attend this meeting, please contact [democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk). This is to ensure adequate seating is available in the Council Chamber.

### AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**  
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**  
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 5 - 12)**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2023.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**  
The Chair of the Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

#### **DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS Noon on Friday, 1 December 2023**

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to [Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk)

5. **MEMBER QUESTIONS**  
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

6. **UBICO ANNUAL PRESENTATION (VERBAL UPDATE)**  
To receive an annual update from the Managing Director at Ubico.
7. **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT Q2 2023/24 (Pages 13 - 20)**  
To present the 2023/24 forecast outturn position against the revenue budgets and Capital Programme that the Committee is responsible for, in order to give an expectation of possible variances against budget
8. **ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REVENUE ESTIMATES – REVISED 2023/24 AND ORIGINAL 2024/25 (Pages 21 - 52)**  
To present to the committee the revised estimates for 2023/24 and original estimates for 2024/25.
9. **COTSWOLDS NATIONAL LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2023 – 2025. (Pages 53 - 144)**  
The Cotswolds National Landscape Management Plan is a key mechanism for conserving and enhancing the natural beauty of the Cotswolds National Landscape (CNL) as well as increasing the understanding and enjoyment of the National Landscape’s special qualities. The new Management plan and its vision place increased emphasis on the climate and ecological emergencies as well as access to nature and the countryside. The evidence within the Plan and the policies will assist in decision making and the preparation of Council policies and projects.
10. **COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL) - SPENDING ALLOCATIONS FOR 2024/2025 (Pages 145 - 158)**  
Stroud District Council has been collecting CIL payments on planning permissions implemented since 2017. CIL should be used towards providing for any additional demand placed on the local environment and services created by new housing growth. Project bids have been received from infrastructure providers seeking funding support to deliver projects that align with planning policy. This report sets out the officers funding recommendations for projects requesting funding support in 2023/2024 financial year.
11. **OPEN SPACES IN NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (Pages 159 - 170)**  
To propose a series of actions in response to a Council Motion (20 July 2023) to explore potential options and approaches concerning the management of open spaces and amenities on new residential developments.
12. **APPOINTMENTS**
  - (a) Performance Monitoring Representative
  - (b) Gloucestershire Resources Waste Partnership (GRWP) - Additional Representative
14. **MEMBER / OFFICER REPORTS**
  - (a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board (Verbal Update)
  - (b) Stroud Regeneration Committee (Verbal Update)
  - (c) Performance Monitoring (Pages 171 - 188)
  - (d) Climate Leadership Group (Verbal Update)
  - (e) Stroud Canal Company (Verbal Update)
  - (f) UK100 Statement of Shared Intent (Pages 189 - 190)
15. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 191 - 192)**  
To consider the work programme.

## **Members of Environment Committee**

### **Councillor Chloe Turner (Chair)**

Councillor Martin Brown  
Councillor Gordon Craig  
Councillor Christopher Evans  
Councillor Jessie Hoskin  
Councillor Steve Hynd  
Councillor George James

### **Councillor Robin Layfield (Vice-Chair)**

Councillor Haydn Jones  
Councillor Ashley Smith  
Councillor Haydn Sutton  
Councillor Brian Tipper  
Councillor Tricia Watson