

## **Environmental Services Committee Meeting – 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 – 18:00**

#### To: Members of the Environmental Services Committee:

Councillors Stevens, (Chair), Kilbride (Deputy Chair), Ashraf, Brown, Choudary, Fuchshuber, Haque, Joyce, Meredith, Miah, Soan, and Tarasiewicz

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You are summoned to attend the meeting of Environmental Services Committee of Northampton Town Council to be held at the Committee Room, Northampton Town Council Offices, Guildhall on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 at 18.00.

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Stuart Carter Town Clerk 27<sup>th</sup> June 2023 Guildhall Northampton NN1 1DE

## AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
- 3. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS THE COMMITTEE WILL TAKE QUESTIONS/STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC
- **4.** TO AUTHORISE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2023 Attached

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**5. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – BUDGET UPDATE**Budget document to follow

**6. DECLARATION OF A CLIMATE EMERGENCY ON 12/4/21** – *Review of the Town Council's current work on this* 

## 7. BLOOM REPORT

Report attached

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## 8. ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS - NB SOUTH COURT ENVIRONMENTAL

Application and report attached

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## 9. CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM REPORT

Chair to give verbal report

## 10. WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL PARKS VISITORS SURVEY

Survey to be share for information only

## 11. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

Consideration of any future agenda items members would like to add

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> APRIL 2023 AT 6:00PM AT ABINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, WHEATFIELD ROAD SOUTH, NORTHAMPTON

**PRESENT**: Councillors Stevens (Chair), Kilbride (Deputy Chair), Alwahabi, Ashraf, Miah, and Tarasiewicz

OFFICERS PRESENT: S Carter (Town Clerk) and L Hannam-Jones (Events and Projects Officer)

Also in attendance were 5 members of the public

Before the formal start of the meeting The Chair welcomed the members of the public and stated that the committee was holding this meeting out in the community to try and engage with residents and have an open dialogue. The Chair encouraged those present to raise their hands should they wish to contribute to the discussion.

#### 36. APOLOGIES

Apologies were submitted by Councillors Joyce, Meredith and Soan.

#### **37. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interests were submitted.

#### 38. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

**RESOLVED:** That the Chair be authorised to sign the minutes of the previous meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 as a true and accurate record.

It was reported that officers had made contact with Voi and that they were prepared to attend a meeting, however they had been unable to send a representative to this meeting. Both cllrs and members of the public expressed their concern with the use of the scooters and how they were managed highlighting that often they were left strewn across the path. It was noted that rental bikes had also recently been introduced by Voi. In response to a question it was stated that it was believed that Voi did not pay anything to WNC as it was part of a government pilot scheme. Officers stated that they would follow up with Voi about attending a meeting.

Discussion extended to the food delivery riders who often used electric bicycles and whether they were licenced. Often, they would ride anti socially, on paths etc which presented a danger to pedestrians.

It was also noted that unfortunately the Woman's Cycle Tour had been cancelled due to the loss of a major sponsor. Therefore, the stage scheduled for Northampton would not take place.

39. WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNCIL CONSULTATION TO VARY THE PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER (DOG CONTROL AND PROHIBITION OF SMOKING IN PUBLIC SPACES) 2022

A report was circulated with the agenda detailing the consultation which centred around dogs and tobacco in public spaces, particularly parks and children's play areas.

The committee were supportive of the proposal.

**RESOLVED**: That a response be submitted by the Town Clerk.

The following response was submitted:

The Environmental Services Committee of Northampton Town Council recently considered the consultation on varying public spaces and protection orders.

The Town Council is supportive of the proposals regarding dogs, and also those to be imposed regarding tobacco, tobacco related products and smokeless tobacco products.

Regarding dog control, the town council particularly support the introduction of a maximum limit that one person can walk at a time. The uptake in the dog walking industry needs some regulation and the intention to introduce a licence and/or code of conduct is welcomed.

Regarding the orders on smoking, again the council is supportive of these proposals. Children are influenced by their parents/carers and minimising their exposure to smoking will have beneficial effects in supporting healthy living and setting a good example. It was suggested that the dropping of cigarette butts should be included in the proposal as these have an environmental impact both from a visual standpoint and in terms of making their way into streams and rivers, etc.

When this order is agreed then we would encourage WNC to publicise it widely so that the various groups that will be impacted by this are fully aware of it and how their actions could contravene the order. In addition, it is believed that enforcement is key and we would encourage WNC to enforce these new orders wherever possible.

## 40. ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE - BUDGET UPDATE

Circulated with the agenda was the budget update for information. It showed that there would be a surplus in the current year.

**NOTED** 

#### 41. NORTHAMPTON IN BLOOM

Circulated with the agenda was a report updating the committee on Northampton in Bloom. It highlighted the sustainable Coronation Planter installed at the top of Guildhall Road and also plans for the Big Help Out to be held at St Katherines Gardens.

Conformation of the dates of the wellness walks was sought. *Clerk's note: Provisionally planned to start 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.* 

A members of the public congratulated the Council on the Bloom project and explained that they planned to apply for a bloom grant to undertake some sustainable planting at Abington Park.

#### 42. WALK TO SCHOOL CAMPAIGN

A report was attached detailing a proposed walk to school campaign as part of Walk to School Campaign 2023.

It was explained that Working with Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, the Town Council's Climate Change Forum was planning to support primary schools in the local area to take part in Walk to School Week (WTSW) 2023 by funding classroom packs to encourage school, parent and pupil participation.

WTSW would be taking place between Monday 15th May 2023 and Friday 19th May 2023. Pupils throughout Britain were encouraged to travel sustainably to school, whether by walking, scooting, using a wheelchair or cycling; the objective of the campaign locally was to encourage children in healthy exercise and to reduce road congestion and air pollution in Northampton.

An invitation to participate with details on the WTSW campaign and funding offer had been sent out to primary schools in Northampton, publicised on the NTC website, social media and via press release. Officers and CCF members would review the response from schools based on a first come first served basis with consideration of number of classes per school and will assess how funds can be fairly distributed.

Packs would then be ordered in bulk from and delivered direct to each school.

- £12.50 per pack, one pack per class/x30 pupils
- Based on an average of x14 classes per school with an estimated x10 schools participating: £1750 (ex VAT) + Delivery TBC, approx. £11 per address - £110
   Estimated Max Total: £2500

It was noted that a number of schools from outside the town council's parish boundary had requested packs.

**RESOLVED:** That the town council support this initiative with the purchase of packs but only for schools in or on the boarder of the town council area. Those schools clearly in another parish would be directed to the appropriate parish council.

## 43. AIR QUALITY SCHOOL TOOLKIT

Tabled was a report detailing some work done on air quality around schools.

It was explained that NTC's Climate Change Forum members had been working with Officers to review and implement an Air Quality School Toolkit called the Clean Air Project (CAP) ready for promotion and distribution within local schools; this project utilised research and resources from a similar initiative previously developed by the London Sustainability Exchange for schools in London.

What is CAP and what are its aims? The aim of the project is to raise awareness of the main sources and health effects of air pollution emissions among the school community. The main objectives of the project are listed below. It is expected that this initiative can contribute to the

behavioural change that is needed to tackle air pollution. Every day decisions can have an impact on the air we breathe. We all have a role to play and we can all be part of the solution.

- To increase awareness and understanding of air pollution issuesamongst pupils, parents, teachers and school governors
- To empower the entire school community to adopt less polluting behaviours such as walking to school – and to encourage others to dothe same
- To reduce car idling activities around sensitive areas
- To increase cycling; and the use of public transport.

The report explained that the Air Quality School Toolkit provided science teachers with a series of interesting scientific activities to present to pupils, which were expected to promote understanding of the causes and impacts of air pollution, as well as tools to identify areas of poor air quality around the school.

The equipment and resources required were being sourced from UK based suppliers and costs considered per class per year group. Work was underway to establish how many items were needed to be purchased per toolkit.

Once the Toolkit and instructions have been approved and finalised by the CCF, invitations will be sent out to local schools within Northampton to take part. Interest will then be reviewed and a report will follow as to how funds can be allocated per class and the quantity of equipment needed. The project will be branded and a logo will be designed for promotion and to raise awareness on the key issues.

It was commented that this could be extended, for example Chain Walk outside the maternity unit at the hospital had large traffic movements which had implications for new-borns on the unit.

It was also commented that there was a lack of electric buses in Northampton which was a contributing factor.

It was noted that Airly <a href="https://airly.org/map/en/">https://airly.org/map/en/</a> had live information on air quality for many locations including Northampton.

Whilst supportive the committee requested further information on costs before giving the formal agreement.

NOTED

## 44. CLIMATE CHANGE FORUM REPORT

The Chair gave a brief update on the work of climate change forum, highlighting the work of the past few months and also encouraging those present to get involved. The Chair thanked those present and highlighted that their involvement was key for this committee and the town council as a whole.

**NOTED** 

#### **45. CLIMATE CHANGE GRANTS SCHEME**

Th Chair reported that three applications had been received but of which only one was of a suitable criteria.

The application from South Court Environmental included the costings for employing someone to undertake the work, which whilst not out of scope for the Environmental Grants, was for the general grants.

The Chair stated that he knew of the company, which was Northampton based, and that they did some great work on environmental issues.

Committee members asked that more information including the application be provided in order that they consider it fully.

**NOTED** 

#### **46. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

No items were raised.

The Chair thanked all in attendance and stated that he had thought that the community location had worked well. The informal setting and conversational interaction between councillors and members of the public had been productive.

**MEETING CONCLUDED: 20:05PM** 

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#### 7. BLOOM REPORT

#### **Environmental Services Committee 3 July 2023**

## **Northampton in Bloom**

## Report by Louise Hannam-Jones, Events and Projects Officer

Purpose of report: To update the committee on the summer of 2023 Northampton in Bloom project

**Recommended:** That subject to any comments, the committee note the report. Officers will work with Northampton in Bloom Working party, keeping them informed as the project progresses.

#### 2023 Summer Orders:

Hopefully you will have seen the brightly coloured floral baskets and planters which have now been installed in the town centre and wards. They are a mix of bright summer and pollinator friendly plants. It has been very hot so the stormy rain we have had was welcome to the plants and Idverde have been doing a great job at getting them watered in and settled.

We would welcome any photos of the planters in your area to put on our website and socials if you could kindly forward any our way. Please either email Louise on <a href="mailto:louise.hannam-jones@northamptontowncouncil.gov.uk">louise.hannam-jones@northamptontowncouncil.gov.uk</a> or Whatsapp 07548758948.

The final purchase order for the watering of the planters is outstanding. Idverde have been contacted again to get this raised and paid.

#### Vandalism:

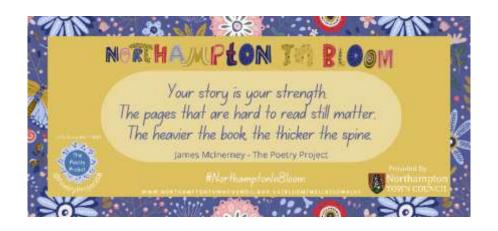
Unfortunately over the weekend, 1 x lamp post jardinière on Wellingborough Road was damaged from somebody climbing up the lamp post and pulling it off the bracket- bending these in the process.

Also, all of the plants in the planter by the mural in St Katherine's Gardens have been stolen (the other three remain untouched). Hardier, less colourful plants have been ordered to replace these and both incidents have been reported.

If you see any vandalised or stolen plants/planters please do get in touch with us to rectify.

## Wellness Walks, Abington Park:

Abington Park is going to pilot the first Wellness Walks- a trail of wellbeing poetry quotes written by James McInerny. The quotes are designed in the Northampton in Bloom branding and will be installed within flower beds in the park on 30<sup>th</sup> June. The trail will be publicised on socials & website when the online map of locations has been completed.



#### 8. ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS - NB SOUTH COURT ENVIRONMENTAL

#### DEMOCRATIC SERVICES OFFICER'S REPORT – 27th JUNE 2023

## **CLIMATE CHANGE GRANT APPLICATION - SOUTH COURT ENVIRONMENTAL LTD (CCGS1)**

**PURPOSE**: To provide the Environmental Services Committee background of South Court Environmental Ltd.'s Climate Change Grant Application and an overview of the discussion at the Grant Sub-Committee meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The Environmental Service Committee review the application in accordance to the Climate Change Grant Scheme's qualifying criteria and decide to whether application CCGS1 be approved or declined.

#### **BACKGROUND**

South Court Environmental Ltd submitted a comprehensive Climate Change Grant Scheme (CCGS) application on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023 and requested £5,000 from Northampton Town Council for 'Education and Action to Mitigate Climate Change'.

The projects main tasks involved:

- Informing, educating and expanding within Northampton's community the understanding of mitigation mechanisms and actions. 'Informing' includes suitable PR activity.
- Practical tasks. Inviting, promoting and overseeing community involvement in tasks related to those in the previous paragraphs.

With the main objective to:

- Increasing wellbeing for those now finding climate-change predications an extreme worry
- Understanding that whatever their (future) educational attainment there will be satisfying employment opportunities for them related to wildlife and climate change.

## **OVERVIEW OF THE GRANTS SUB-COMMITTEE'S DISCUSSION**

The applicant Mr Nadler attended the Grants Sub-Committee with a colleague Ms Lee to answer any questions and provide further information about the project. As per the minutes of the Grants Sub-Committee on the 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023, the following discussion took place:

Mr Nadler stated South Court Environmental Limited by Guarantee had been in operation for 25 years and has three major aims; protection and enhancement of bio-diversity in Northampton, produce food via sustainable and organic means and to engage and educate local people and groups about sustainability and bio-diversity. Mr Nadler stated their main goal was human satisfaction. Mr Nadler that South Court Environmental aim to minimise their use of crude oil based and chemical products throughout their work. Mr Nadler stated if the grant was approved the funds would be used to plant new trees, hedgerows and ensure old tree within their remit remain getting older.

In response to a question posed by a Councillor, Mr Nadler explained South Court Environmental have 4 or 5 ad-hoc paid staff however, the majority were volunteers who donate their time with only their expenses paid. In response to another question posed, Mr Nadler explained South Court Environmental's income came from some owned land they have leased, site management for other land owners, and information booklets sold however they mainly rely on donations and some grant funding.

In response to a question, Mr Nadler explained he intends to engage local schools, residents' associations and community groups throughout the project to provide them with education on bio-diversity and sustainability. Ms Lee added that prior to the start and at the end of the project intend to complete questionnaires to gain quantitative data of the impact.

Councillor Stevens explained in his opinion South Court Environmental's project as detailed within the application meets 4 of the 6 qualifying criteria for the Climate Change Grants Scheme.

After reviewing the application and the above discussion the Grants Sub-Committee **recommended**, that application CCGS1 be approved in principal to the sum of £5,000 with the Environmental Services review and adoption.

## **ELIGIBILITY – AS ASSESED BY THE ENVRIONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE'S CHAIR**

From reviewing South Court Environmental Ltd.'s application it meets **four of the six** eligibility criteria as per paragraph 2.2 of the Climate Change Grant Scheme's guidelines:

- a. To Contribute to reducing carbon emissions (eg through planting and maintenance of trees and hedgerows);
- d. To Increase, restore or enhance local biodiversity and wildlife (eg through both planting and maintenance of trees and hedgerows, as well as via SCE emphasis on permacultural practice creating habitats for specific species eg bats, amphibians, birds, bees, ants, and other insects);
- e. To Increase local sustainable production of food (eg through good maintenance of its orchard and ensuring optimal produce use, honey making, and use of 'wild plants' for food use eg it's 'nettle nosh' events);
- f. To Increase re-use and recycling (eg via use of harvested wood from SCE trees to make garden furniture, fences, etc)

In addition, South Court Environmental Ltd.'s application meets **four of the six** secondary eligibility criteria as per paragraph 2.3 of the Climate Change Grant Scheme's guidelines:

g. By Increasing awareness & education on climate change, and support behaviour change towards cleaner, greener ways of living (eg 1] through SCE provision of teaching and 'fun' events, most of which have a theme related to some aspect of the 4 main criteria above, as well as the underlying 'climate change aware philosophy' of the Directors and many of the other local people involved in supporting SCE. 2] IF the Grant application is successful, SCE also SPECIFICALLY aim to promote younger people's involvement / learning / wellbeing through activities within the project,

i. The project does certainly promote a wider community involvement and active engagement in environmentally aware behaviour change (eg. via the many events SCE organises throughout the year, all open to the public, and through the focus SCE has in encouraging participants to continue to apply what they have learned at SCE in their own lives wherever possible)

j. SCE activities also does have other Spin-off benefits such as air pollution reductions, improved personal physical health and/or psychological well-being (eg through tree and hedgerow planting air pollution is absorbed, the physical exertion required by many of the tasks employees and volunteers do improves physical and psychological health, and enhanced psychological well-being as an outcome of activities in an around green spaces is now strongly supported by much research.)

k. And, there Potential longer term, environmental benefits from the project are an integral part of SCE's work (eg. the organisation has been doing this sort of work for 33 years, and some activities, such as tree planting, have some of the longest-term environmental benefits possible – as long as those trees are chosen well, planted those trees are chosen well, planted with skill, and maintained in their early life)

#### **APPLICATION FORM**

Please ensure this form is filled in completely and you ensure you have read the Climate Change Grants Policy and Guidance Document, any missing information may result in delays in the consideration of your application.

All applicants should provide whatever information they can on the form itself in the sections below. However, we do want to encourage applications for these grants, so if any sections of the form require discussion or advice before submitting an application, please do contact the Council.

This scheme provides grants for project based in Northampton Town Council's wards that intend on making lasting difference to your communities' carbon footprint or enhance biodiversity in these areas.

**Privacy:** Your name, position, email address and address will be disclosed to the committee when considering the application. All other information on the is form may be made publicly available via the Northampton Town Council website as part of the agenda.

# **Contact Information**

Full Name:			
E-mail Address:			
Contact Number:			
About Your Organisation (Please complete if applicable)			
Organisation type:	<ul> <li>□ Community Organisation</li> <li>□ School or Educational Setting</li> <li>□ Registered Charity</li> <li>□ Community Interest Company (CIC)</li> <li>Not-for-profit Stakeholder Co-operative (and Company Limited by Guarantee)</li> </ul>		
Please state the name of your organisation:	South Court Environmental Ltd. [ "S C E" ]		
Trease state the name of your organisation.			
Position in organisation:	[Co-] Director		
What are the sines and chiestines of value	11 The properties of wildlife diversity.		
What are the aims and objectives of your organisation?	1] The promotion of wildlife diversity. 2] The production of good / organic local fruit-food for community benefit. (Fruit, vegetables, herbs, honey).3] The involvement, with, for and of local community in each of the two aims as above.4] Work, e.g. up-cycling, to produce 'the benefit of satisfactions' for species, human and otherwise		
Please provide details of your organisation's membership  (This should include the geographical area, age groups etc.)	Membership is available for: Employees and Volunteers (free, automatic)Individuals and Families supportive of our aims. Organisations (1 representative each) supportive of our aims. Number of members: Approx 35. Other: All ages (young people within family membership) and although our work is entirely within Northampton there is no restriction on geographical area for supporting members.		

How is your organisation managed?	SCE is managed by its Directors. They are selected annually
	by the membership. Directors have the right to co-opt a
	further director for office within any single calendar year.
	Membership is asked to comment on practical Director
	decisions.
	From NCC £5,000
	Other sources £2,500
	Total Project cost £7,500
	Other Sources Own funds in region of £1,500 (first +
	second year, each)
	Yr2 grants in region of £15,000 (£5K + £10K; year 2)[ nb
	No other SCE grant applications are dependent upon the
	NCC grant being awarded to SCE. ]

# **About Your Project**

Total Project Cost	£7500
Contribution from other sources	£2500
Total requested from	£5000
Northampton Town Council	13000
Please details any contributions	£2500 is SCE or sourced otherwise
from the other sources	
This would include grants from	
other bodies, use of own funds etc.	
Please detail any non-financial	[1] Contribution of SCE managed sites (6 within Northampton)
'in kind' support you have for	[2] Contribution of SCE tools and equipment; and directors'/
your project	employees'/ volunteers' skills, experience.
	[3] 'Value' to Project of other sites within Northampton added. (To be
This would include time given by	determined but expected to include domestic gardens / spaces
volunteers, donations of good/services etc.	through the involvement of cooperating families and 'homes
good/services etc.	organisations'.)
	[4] 'Value' to Project of co-operating organisations' contributions (to
	be determined, but see [3])
Does this project involve	[1] Food Banks: Greater contribution of wholesome foodstuffs by SCE
collaboration with other	matched by <b>Food Banks</b> non-monetary input to the Project.

organisations? Please detail their involvement.

[2] Given the Project's intention to promote younger people's involvement / learning / wellbeing (each reference climate-change) through activities within the project; SCE will seek collaboration with [2a] Organisations for which young persons' wellbeing is an aim. This will include educational organisations (all ages) but others identified as well. Expected number of organisations approx.12. Clearly costaffing, appropriate use of meeting places etc is likely to be involved. [2b] Statutory and other organisations capable to assisting with practical tasks or with forming and wielding appropriate policies. [3] Despite [2], the Project will seek involvement of those of all-ages

and make appropriate provision for it.

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## Please explain your project

#### This should include:

- How you anticipate your project would make a lasting difference with mitigating the effects of climate change.
- How the proposed method of implementation for example, description of tasks involved and who will assist in the delivering of these tasks.

## **Project: Education and Action to Mitigate Climate Change**

SCE works only within Northampton and with Communities within Northampton. Our work is across 6 sites including the management of a 200 tree traditionally-managed orchard (off Billing Road East) and the upkeep of this important site in perpetuity is highly important. This specific project will work in our 2 larger sites (Abington Lodge and Wilsons Orchard), both of which are in the Town Council's area. To that end we not only work on site, especially with the fruit trees and accompanying wildlife but also for visitors' comfort (paths and seating etc.) We now wish to continue that work with the planting of new / replacing of fallen fruit trees. And also with the planting of other tree species to make the boundary fences more diverse, and their aftercare.

In order to involve more members of the local community directly in this work we need further tools (spades and mower-repairs in particular) as well as buying more and different fruit trees and hedgerow trees. The Project also aims to promote younger people's involvement / learning / wellbeing through activities within the project, and SCE will seek collaboration with organisations for which young persons' wellbeing is an aim, including educational organisations (all ages) but others as well. Expected number of organisations approx. 12. Safeguarding procedures as appropriate will be implemented (eg DBS checks, appropriate use of meeting places). The project will provide high levels of informal education to participants concerning planting and caring for trees, bushes, hedgerows, which participants will be able to use to do similar in their own green areas (gardens, communal green areas, etc). The project will promote through education and action, more environmentally supporting modes of travel, upcycling of reclaimed materials to replace recycling and buying new, appropriate selection of foodstuffs sourcing and other items.

## Project Tasks involved

Informing / Educating / Expanding within Northampton's community the understanding of mitigation mechanisms and actions. 'Informing' includes suitable PR activity.

Practical tasks. Inviting, promoting and overseeing community involvement in tasks related to those in the previous paragraphs.

All three of the above have the intent of producing a generation aware of 'what can be done' and thereby

- A] Increasing wellbeing for those now finding climate-change predications an extreme worry, and
- B] Understanding that whatever their (future) educational attainment there will be satisfying employment opportunities for them related to wildlife and climate change.

## Project Who (assists in) delivering tasks

Typically, we expect SCE staff and volunteers to have a direct input to most tasks initially but will also welcome assistance through collaborations.

Please set out what outcomes you believe this project will achieve

#### This should include:

 The estimated effects of the project would have on climate change

## **Project Outcomes to be achieved**

The site is open access so we cannot provide an overall figure for the number of beneficiaries p.a., but those working with us or visiting while we are working or attending our many events at our 2 larger sites, together probably top the 500 – 600 mark per annum, and with the extra activity enabled by this grant funding, we anticipate an increase in this number of at least 200-300

- How long you expect the project will make an impact on Climate Change.
- How many people and/or geographical area it will benefit

New / expanded awareness and opinions reference climate-change and its mitigation. New /expanded enjoyment in the wielding of solutions. ("I planted that tree!")

Partial reduction in the extent of extreme temperatures in areas of Northampton. Partial improvement of air quality where the Project can take appropriate Actions. Overall: A contribution to health and well-being. Effects on climate change. Partial mitigation: See above.

**How long for that impact?** Not in any way time-limited if the Project is enabled and supported 'to snowball' across future years.

**How many people involved?** It will never be known because the new climate-change champions will influence others. However, several hundred people are likely to benefit even in the short-term / first year.

**Geographical area to benefit?** In the short-term and realistically; many areas within Northampton. However, the country or world if the idea is mirrored elsewhere!

**How many people benefit?** It will never be known because the new climate-change champions will influence others. However, several hundred, maybe thousands of people are likely to benefit even within the short-term.

How do you intend to measure the impact of this project?

**How to measure impacts?** Before-and-after attitude / satisfactions surveys (ideally administered under guidance by students, teachers, and lecturers)

Direct recording of numbers: Of trees planted (&c). Of individuals of various ages actively engaged (&c.)

When do you intend for this project to start?

1st July 2023

# **How Will the Grant Be Spent?**

Please be as detailed as possible. The sum of the items should match the amount requested from the Town Council. For any expenditure on a single item over £500 you must demonstrate that best value has been sought, normally by submitting quotations.

Employment	£3000 (@ £12.50 per hour)
Expenses Volunteers/Visitors	£550
(Element) of Community Events	£350
Trees / tree-care etc	£450 Eg 40 x Hedgerow sapling trees @ £5
	ea; 15 x Fruit trees @ £20 ea
Tools, incl replacement/servicing	£250 Eg spades purchase @ £19 each;
	Mower repair £44
(Elements of) PR + admin	£200
Travel / Transport	£200

If the Council were unable to fund	If not awarded? This funding would permit us to increase the
your project what would the	effects of our normal pursuit of our aims by 200%. Hence without
impact be?	the grant 67% of the expected benefits of the Project would not be
	forthcoming