Update on Motions agreed by the Council

Date	From	Motion	Status	Director
23 October 2019	Cllr Gerrish	Thurrock Council therefore resolves to: 1. Declare a 'Climate Emergency' that requires urgent action; 2. Request that the Council's activities become net-zero carbon by 2030; 3. Request that the Council embed this work in all areas and take responsibility for reducing, as rapidly as possible, the carbon emissions resulting from the Council's activities; 4. Request that the relevant Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Climate Change convenes a Citizens' Assembly on Climate Change and a Climate Change partnership group, involving Councillors, residents, young citizens, climate science and solutions experts, businesses and other relevant parties. Over the following 6 months, the Group should consider strategies and actions being developed by the Council and other partner organisations and develop a strategy in line with a target of net zero emissions by 2030. It should also recommend ways to maximise local benefits of these actions in other sectors such as employment, health, agriculture, transport and the economy. The membership of this group should be agreed in consultation with Group Leaders; 5. Request that all reports in preparation for the 2020/21 budget cycle and investment strategy will take into account the actions the Council will take to address this emergency; 6. Request that the Leader write to the UK Government asking them to provide the powers, resources and help with funding To make this possible, and ask local MPs To do likewise.	As agreed by Group Leaders on the 13 January 2020, a Task Force will be established to consider the recommendations included within the motion, evidence from experts within the field and what actions are required to be taken. Terms of Reference have been drafted and a draft work programme put together. In addition, supporting arrangements to assist in the delivery of that work have been recently agreed. The delivery of the programme will commence shortly and an update report will be presented to Cleaner, Greener, Safer Overview and Scrutiny Committee in December.	Andy Millard

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29 January 2020	Cllr J Kent	This year's Holocaust Memorial Day marked the 75th anniversary of the end of the Holocaust. Thurrock Council understands the importance of remembering the millions of people murdered in the Holocaust and the genocides in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur. The Council calls upon Cabinet to explore the opportunity to work with schools to facilitate visits to former Nazi death camps, including Auschwitz-Birkenau, to help learn first-hand the consequences of hate. A future programme should seek to work across schools in Thurrock.	Holocaust Memorial Day is an important occasion for Thurrock Council to commemorate and remember the millions murdered in the Holocaust and subsequent genocides. The day also provides an important focus to educate about the consequences of hate and the need to tackle discrimination. Previous visits to former Nazi death camps have provided a valuable opportunity to learn these lessons first hand, and to share experiences within the wider school and community. Given the current pressures on schools and restrictions on travel, our initial focus will be on promoting digital opportunities for learning more about Holocaust Memorial Day and how the lessons of history are relevant today. This position will be reviewed once the Pandemic is under control, and when travel is easier to consider.	Roger Harris

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26 February 2020	Clir Redsell	Council calls on Cabinet to consider a new wood and bluebells to be planted on a piece of land at the edge of Woodside.	The requirement from the s106 is for the open space to be kept mowed, with limited planting around the edges. Contact has now been established with the developer and a meeting is being scheduled to discuss the motion presented.	Julie Rogers