

Agenda

Environment and Climate Change Committee

Date: Tuesday, 16 July 2024

Time 7.00 pm

Venue: Council Chamber, Swale House, East Street, Sittingbourne, ME10 3HT

Membership:

Councillors Roger Clark, Carole Jackson, Rich Lehmann (Chair), Claire Martin, Charlie Miller, Pete Neal, Chris Palmer, Hannah Perkin, Ashley Shiel, Julien Speed, Paul Stephen, Sarah Stephen, Angie Valls, Ashley Wise and Dolley Wooster (Vice-Chair).

Quorum = 5

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