

**Leeds Committee on Climate Change  
KICK OFF EVENT**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 16:30 – 19:00  
Seminar Room 1.32, Maurice Keyworth Building, Leeds University Business School**

**NOTES**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Item</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and introduction</b>
	<i>Attendance sheet and latest membership list <u>attached</u></i>
<b>2</b>	<b>Presentations:-</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An overview of low carbon projects in Leeds</li> <li>• An overview of climate resilience projects in Leeds</li> <li>• The Economics of Low Carbon Cities: A Mini-Stern review for the Leeds City Region</li> </ul>
	<i>Copies of presentations <u>attached</u></i>
<b>3</b>	<b>Presentations and agreement:-</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terms of reference for LCCC</li> <li>• Year 1 schedule of meetings and outline work programmes</li> </ul>
	<i>Approved</i>
<b>4</b>	<b>Workshop: Leeds Committee on Climate Change – Adding Value, Overcoming Barriers</b>
	<p><i>2 groups brainstormed “What can be achieved working together to shape Leeds transition to a resource efficient and climate resilient city under business as usual (i.e. current arrangements) up to 2020?”</i> <i>BUSINESS AS USUAL 1 &amp; 2 notes <u>attached</u></i></p> <p><i>2 groups brainstormed “What value can the Leeds Committee on Climate Change add to what can be achieved working together to shape Leeds transition to a resource efficient and climate resilient city up to 2020?”</i> <i>CHANGE 1 &amp; 2 notes <u>attached</u></i></p> <p><i>Group identified barriers to change (including Resources; Communication; Policy Changes; and Outcomes) and identified solutions for: Apathy; Overcoming Engagement; Partnerships; Vision</i> <i>BARRIERS notes <u>attached</u></i></p>
<b>5</b>	<b>AOB</b>
	<p><b><u>Progress update</u></b> <i>Since the Kick Off:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparations have begun for the <b>full launch</b> of Leeds CCC. Subject to our keynote speaker being available, this will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September (16.30 – 18.30), venue to be confirmed.</li> <li>• We have secured some additional funding for the Leeds CCC <b>website</b> and are now putting together a detailed brief with a view to having the website live by late Spring.</li> <li>• We have identified a number of potential options for <b>further funding</b>. Over the next few weeks, we’ll explore these and will develop one or more bids for funds to support both the Leeds CCC Secretariat and specific projects.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Work is now starting on the revised <b>mini-Stern for Leeds</b>. Research Fellow <u>Andrew Sudmant</u>, who was at last week's Kick Off, has been joined by <u>Dr Joel Millward-Hopkins</u>. Both have a wealth of expertise in low-carbon transitions and have supported our previous research on Climate Smart Cities.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>We are also exploring the potential for developing a groundbreaking <b>city scale Climate Risk Assessment for Leeds</b>, which would aim to replicate the <u>UK Climate Change Committee's Climate Risk Assessment</u> (UK CCRA). Produced every 5 years, the 2017 report setting out current and future risks to the country from climate change, was published by the Government on 18th January</i></p> <p><b><u>Monthly progress update</u></b></p> <p><i>To keep you updated on progress, we will circulate a brief progress report each month. If there are significant activities or opportunities of relevance to Leeds CCC members and your networks, please let Margo Hanson(<a href="mailto:m.hanson@leeds.ac.uk">m.hanson@leeds.ac.uk</a>) know by the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month and these will be included in the circular.</i></p>
6	<b>Dates &amp; Venues for future meetings</b>
	<p><b>Strategy Group</b></p> <p><i>May 2017: Wednesday 17th May 16:30 - 18:30</i>  <i>September 2017: Thursday 7th September 16:30 – 18:30</i>  <i>December 2017: Monday 11th December 16:30 – 18:30</i></p> <p><b>Working Groups</b></p> <p><i>We are putting together a schedule of dates for the three working groups.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The Low Carbon Working Group will meet in March, May, October and December. The first meeting will take place on Monday 20th March 16:30 – 18:30, at Walker Morris. Other dates to be scheduled.</i></li> <li>• <i>The Engagement and Communications Working Group will meet in June, September, October and December. All dates to be scheduled.</i></li> <li>• <i>The Climate Resilience Working Group will meet in September, October and December. All dates to be scheduled.</i></li> </ul>