



Hadleigh Town Council

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Notice of Motion to Council

To be referred to Committee (if yes, specify which committee)

Full Council

Title of Motion

Extreme Weather Events – Notices and Safety Advice

Proposed by

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Proposed Resolution

Hadleigh Town Council notes the increased risk to life and property during extreme weather events, including wildfires, flooding and river/water-related incidents.

Hadleigh Town Council believes it has a duty to inform, educate and lead on the risks and actions required to protect the town and prepare for the consequences of these extremes.

For these reasons, Hadleigh Town Council agrees to issue guidance to users of its land and properties addressing risks during extreme climate-related weather events.

The guidance will prohibit:

- The use of fires, barbecues, portable cooking or heating equipment on HTC land (allotments and playing areas) until further notice.
- Entry to the River Brett or extraction of water from the River Brett, for any reason, from HTC land.

The guidance will refer residents to Babergh District and Suffolk County Councils for advice regarding use of their land and river access.

The guidance will also refer residents to general public guidance regarding fire and water safety, including how to access help in an emergency.

This guidance will be issued at the earliest opportunity through a website post with relevant links, a Facebook post, and signage at public spaces and buildings owned by HTC.

Background (provided by the proposer)

<https://wiki.greatcollaboration.uk/knowledgebase/society/emergency-planning/heatwaves>

<https://nationalwatersafety.org.uk/water-safety-england/guidance-for-the-public/heatwaves>

<https://prepare.campaign.gov.uk/be-informed-about-hazards/wildfires/>

<https://www.ukclimaterisk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Technical-Report-The-Third-Climate-Change-Risk-Assessment.pdf>

Background (provided by the Proper Officer)

Some elements of this motion are the same as agenda item 11 and could be removed so there is no duplication.

Some Town Council owned land and buildings are either leased or rented and we would not be able to stipulate exactly what they can and can't do without changes to the lease or rental agreement which the other parties do not have to agree to, one specific example is land leased to Sea Scouts to store kayaks/canoes which are then used on the river. It should be clearer what land and buildings are impacted by this motion before it is agreed.

Financial implication (anticipated by the proposer)



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Financial implications (anticipated by the Proper Officer/RFO)

Aside from the financial implication of a fire spreading and causing damage to the Town Council owned land and buildings and the wider area the financial implications would be the cost of signage and posts if we require properly made and installed signs (or laminated signs made in the office could be used)

Legal implications

Proposers signature