ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT

Chippenham Town Council has declared a Climate and Ecological emergency and is committed to becoming a net zero carbon organization by 2030. As part of this we include the products and services we procure in our carbon footprint in order to measure and take responsibility for our impacts on the climate and biodiversity. Therefore, the Council aims to work with suppliers that are taking action and have plans in place to reduce their emissions and environmental impact. The environmental credentials of companies will affect our decision regarding procurement.

- 1. In the last three years, have you been taken to court for not complying with environmental legislation requirements? If 'yes', please provide details and what steps your organisation has taken as a result?
- 2. Do you have a responsible person nominated for environmental/ sustainability issues? If 'yes' please give their name and job title.
- 3. Do you have an environmental or sustainability policy? If yes, please supply us with a copy. If no, do you have any current environmental objectives or initiatives you can tell us about?
- 4. Do you acknowledge and assess any of the environmental impacts of your activities? This could include the use of resources such as water, single use plastics and other unsustainable materials, packaging and waste, pollution and harmful chemicals. If so, please give details.
- 5. Do you acknowledge and measure your Greenhouse Gas emissions? If so, please provide us with a copy of your carbon footprint. If no, do you have a 'green' or renewable energy tariff for your business? Are any of your company vehicles low emission and if so, what proportion?
- 6. Do you have a commitment to becoming net carbon zero and if so, when?
- 7. Do you have an action plan that outlines how you are minimising or will minimise your environmental impacts and reduce your emissions to net carbon zero? If so, please provide us with a copy. If no, do you assess your environmental performance against any targets or have any plans to reduce your impacts? This could include reducing travel emissions, offering repair and refurbishment schemes for products, use of recycled and sustainable materials, minimising waste, avoiding single use plastics and designing products that can be repaired and then recycled at their end of life.
- 8. Have you made public any of your environmental aims, performance and plans? If so, please provide details.
- 9. Do you offset any of your carbon emissions or environmental impacts? If so, please provide details.
- 10. Do you ask your suppliers to measure the carbon footprint and environmental impacts of their organisation or the services/products they provide to you?

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- 11. How would you minimise the carbon footprint and environmental impacts of this service/product/project you are providing to us? Examples could include use of electric vehicles/machinery, sustainable materials, minimal waste and packaging.
- 12. Do you have any environmental accreditation such as an Environmental Management System (EMS) certified to ISO 14001, BS8555 or EMAS by a UKAS accredited certifying body? If 'yes', please enclose a copy of the certificate.