

# SCRUTINY ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
HEAD OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND HOUSING SERVICES	INTERNAL AFFAIRS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	21 NOVEMBER 2023	4
<b>CLIMATE NEUTRAL ACTION PLAN</b>			

## PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

## PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

The report presents members with a Climate Neutral Action Plan which has been prepared in response to ambitions set out in the Council's Corporate Plan 2020-24. The report and plan reviews delivery and updates members on progress against these actions. With the formation of a new Corporate Plan on the horizon, it is timely that members of the scrutiny committee review the ambitions and actions set within the current Corporate Plan. The committee could offer its observations on the setting of new ambitions and actions within the new Corporate Plan on this subject.

## SOURCE OF REFERRAL

2020-2024 Corporate Plan  
Leadership Board

## FURTHER INFORMATION

The Corporate Plan 2020-2024 draft was approved by [Full Council on February 10<sup>th</sup> 2020](#)

## SUGGESTED RECOMMENDATION

That the Scrutiny Committee review the ambitions of the Climate Action Planning document with a view to reporting its findings to the Executive Committee.

## REPORT

- This item reviews the delivery against the actions identified in the 2020-24 Corporate Plan. With the formation of a new Corporate Plan on the horizon, it is timely that members of the scrutiny committee review the ambitions and actions set within the current corporate plan. The committee could offer its observations on the setting of new ambitions and actions within the new Corporate Plan on this subject.
- There is an overarching ambition within the 2020-2024 Corporate Plan to reduce the use of plastics and increase recycling, together with implementing energy efficient initiatives. Allied to this several actions were identified which were:
  - Implement carbon reduction policies including plastics reduction, tree planting, energy efficiency and recycling.*

- *Design education and awareness programmes to support carbon reduction policies and actions.*
  - *Work with partners to deliver carbon reduction policy actions.*
3. Building on the successful delivery of this work as articulated within the Corporate Plan, and to further underpin continued work detailed in this report, the Leadership Board has also prepared a cross cutting 'action plan' on climate change. A copy of the document is attached at Appendix 1.
  4. Work on progressing the further actions identified is on-going and it is hoped that by securing a dedicated resource through UK Shared Prosperity Funding, that this will act as a catalyst for progressing work in this area. A baseline study has also been completed which will help to shape future work which is attached at Appendix 2 entitled "Fylde Borough Council Carbon Emissions Report. The Carbon Emissions report provides the carbon footprint for Fylde and provides an overview on how it could theoretically reduce its carbon emissions. The headline recommendations are that the Councils estate is examined and where possible the amount of natural gas used is reduced where possible.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
Corporate Plan 2020-24	04/11/2022	<a href="#">Plan on page version - available online</a> <a href="#">Booklet Version - available online</a>
Climate change action plan	July 2023	<b>Appendix 1:</b> Climate Change Action Planning document
Fylde Borough Council Carbon Emissions Report	July 2023	<b>Appendix 2:</b> Fylde Council Carbon Emissions Report

**ATTACHED DOCUMENTS:**

**APPENDIX 1:** Climate Change Action Planning document

**APPENDIX 2:** Fylde Council Carbon Emissions Report