

MINUTES EXTRACT OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8 JULY 2020.

45 Business Plan 2017-27: Climate Emergency Addendum and Update

On 26 November 2019 a motion was received by Full Council on proposed amendments to the council's Business Plan 2017-2027. The motion was referred to the Leader of the Council following his comment that work would be undertaken on the next draft of the Business Plan to give prominence to the Climate Emergency, and there would be discussion with the Global Warming and Climate Emergency Task Group.

Ahead of the review of the Business Plan, which would in any case be required due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic, an addendum to the current Business Plan had been prepared pending development of the plan for 2021 onwards.

As the Environment Select Committee was not presently meeting, the Committee was asked to receive the proposed addendum as detailed in the agenda supplement.

The Deputy Leader of the Council, with responsibility for response to the Climate Emergency, Councillor Richard Clewer, along with the Leader of the Council, Councillor Philip Whitehead, presented the addendum to the Business Plan, detailing the steps that had already been undertaken by the council to seek to make the council area carbon neutral by 2030 and other actions and objectives.

The Committee discussed the draft addendum, which would be considered by Full Council on 21 July 2020. There was discussion of recent announcements on insulation schemes, the timeframe of 6-9 months for a baseline carbon calculation, the level of ambition in the addendum and any updated Business Plan, that implementation plans would be discussed with Overview and Scrutiny and the significant steps toward carbon reduction which had already taken place.

At the conclusion of discussion, it was,

Resolved:

To note the draft Business Plan 2017-27 Climate Emergency addendum, which will be considered by Full Council on 21 July 2020, and the input of the Global Warming and Climate Change Task Group in its development.