Summary notes of the informal (non-public) discussion meeting of Environment Select Committee

22 September 2020

- 1. Members discussed the first report and recommendations of the Global Warming & Climate Emergency task group. The report, introduced by the Chairman of the task group Cllr Wright, covers two of the themes being investigated energy and transport & air quality.
- 2. Attendees suggested that under the transport theme that the current electric vehicle charging infrastructure in Wiltshire requires upgrading and in future a larger charging infrastructure will need greater electricity capacity. It was suggested that provision of electric vehicle chargers at home will be a challenge given many people have no driveway or dedicated parking.
- 3. Becoming net zero carbon by 2030 will require extra support from central government.
- 4. The informal select committee agreed the task group's report, which will go to Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee for endorsement, before referral to the relevant Cabinet Member for response.
- 5. The select committee discussed in detail the COVID-19 situation and response at its meeting on 20 August. No additional comments or issues were raised.