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REFERENCE: **WPE-001-11**

WPE-001-11 - ADOPTION OF A COUNCIL WIDE ENERGY POLICY

Purpose of Report

To gain Councillor approval for the adoption of a new Council wide energy policy.

Consultation

- In September 2010 a draft version of the policy was presented at the Climate Change Board for comment by key officers.
- A final draft of the energy policy was presented at the Climate Change Team in January 2011 where it was agreed that it should be adopted after undertaking a delegated decision process.

Options Considered

Three main options were considered when looking at how to manage energy issues throughout the Council in the future:

- Business as usual - Identifying ad hoc efficiency projects and providing generic training to staff at key carbon emitting sites.
- Install an energy management system – Provides a structured approach to the management of energy issues, but to achieve this, an energy policy is required to set the context of the system.

Reason for Decision

Due to the geographical spread of Council sites, the range of services offered and the number of employees who could have an impact on energy consumption, the implementation of the Energy Management System is the most logical way to improve performance. The energy policy is an integral component of this and failure to adopt it would inhibit the delivery of the project.

INTENTION TO MAKE DECISION

Following consultation with officers I give notice that I intend to make the decision set out in the attached report. If you would like to make any representations to me on this issue please do so by 11th February, 2011.

The following supporting documents are attached:

WPE-001-11 - Adoption of a Council wide energy policy - report

WPE-001-11 - Adoption of a Council wide energy policy - Energy Policy - final draft

Date: ...3rd February 2011.....

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Environment