

## **City and County of Swansea**

## **Notice of Meeting**

You are invited to attend a Meeting of the

## **Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee**

#### At: Multi-Location Meeting - Gloucester Room, Guildhall / MS Teams

On: Wednesday, 20 July 2022

Time: 4.00 pm

Chair: Councillor Kelly Roberts

Membership:

Councillors: C R Doyle, O G James, S E Keeton, E T Kirchner, N L Matthews, A J O'Connor, D Phillips and S J Rice

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# Agenda Item 3



#### **City and County of Swansea**

Minutes of the Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee

Multi-Location Meeting - Gloucester Room, Guildhall / MS Teams

#### Wednesday, 15 June 2022 at 4.00 pm

Present: Councillor K M Roberts (Chair) Presided

Councillor(s) C R Doyle A J O'Connor

Councillor(s) S E Keeton D Phillips Councillor(s) N L Matthews S J Rice

### Officer(s)

Geoff Bacon Craig Davies Rachel Lewis Paul Meller Jeremy Parkhouse Jane Richmond Mark Wade

Head of Property Services Associate Lawyer Project Manager Natural Environment Section Manager Democratic Services Officer Project Manager Strategic Climate Change Interim Director of Place

#### **Apologies for Absence**

Councillor(s): E T Kirchner and L V Walton

#### 4 Disclosures of Personal & Prejudicial Interests.

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City and County of Swansea, the following interest was declared: -

Councillor S J Rice declared a personal interest in Minute No.8 – Delivery on Nature Recovery and Climate Change Status Report.

#### 5 Minutes.

**Resolved** that the previous meeting(s) of the Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee were approved as a correct record.

#### 6 Terms of Reference.

The Terms of Reference of Corporate Delivery Committees was provided 'for information'.

The Associate Lawyer requested that the Committee noted the differentiation between Corporate Development Committees and Scrutiny.

#### 7 Delivering on Nature Recovery & Climate Change Status Report.

Rachel Lewis, Project Officer, Property Services provided the Committee with an update report on progress with regards to the proposed new corporate well-being objective – 'Delivering on Nature Recovery & Climate Change' which is due to be considered by Council on 7 July 2022.

It was outlined that the Climate Change and Nature Recovery agenda was evolving rapidly and over the last 18 months, two reports had been approved by Cabinet and Council (November 2020 & November 2021). A report was also presented to the Economy, Environment and Infrastructure Policy Development Committee in March 2022 providing a status update, whilst also proposing projects for a forward plan.

Appendix A provided a suite of evidence to back up how the teams would meet the proposed objective and how it linked to the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

The report also outlined Climate Change & Nature Recovery Governance, internal reporting, external reporting, Nature Recovery - Biodiversity Plan / Section 6 / Nature Recovery Action Plan and emerging projects.

The Committee discussed the following: -

- The Council operating iconic electric / hydrogen vehicles, e.g. waste collection vehicles.
- Monitoring / developing / co-ordinating the action plan and expectations upon departments to develop / monitor strategies and their own action plans.
- Governance arrangements going forward.
- Supply of charging points / power stations to provide additional electricity required by electric vehicles.
- Nature recovery, brownfield options, examples of good practice, reduction of food waste, introduce practical action points, Section 106 agreements and helping mitigate biodiversity into new developments.
- Increasing the number of materials that can be collected at the kerbside, looking at the way other local authorities recycle materials and look to improve the Council's fleet / recycling ability.
- Encourage the public to become involved and educate all within the Council to help drive things forward.
- Longer term options for poorer households who cannot afford electric vehicles.
- Production costs / pollution caused by producing electric vehicles.

**Resolved** that the contents of discussions be noted.

#### 8 Work Plan Discussions.

**Resolved** that discussions be deferred to the next scheduled meeting.

### 9 Date & Time of Meetings Discussion.

**Resolved** that further discussions be deferred to next meeting.

The meeting ended at 5.00 pm

Chair

# Agenda Item 4



### Report of the Interim Director of Place

### Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee - 20 July 2022

## Climate Change CDC Work Programme 2022-23

Purpose:	To provide the Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee, with a draft outline of their work programme for 2022-23 and what they seek to achieve in terms of policy objectives.
Recommendation	That the committee review, amend and approve the work plan at paragraph 2 of this report.
Report Author:	Geoff Bacon
Finance Officer:	Ben Smith
Legal Officer:	Tracey Meredith
Access to Service	officer: Rhian Millar

#### 1. Introduction

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- 1.1 The purpose of the Corporate Delivery Committees (CDCs) is to develop policies or policy direction for consideration and adoption by Cabinet and / or Council as appropriate.
- 1.2 Corporate Delivery Committees (CDCs) are free to choose any items for inclusion within their work programme in line with their terms of reference, but these should be aligned to the Council's Policy Commitments and Corporate Priorities. The Council adopted a new Policy Commitment statement and approved a refreshed Corporate Plan on the 7<sup>th</sup> July 2022.
- 1.3 Corporate Delivery Committees (CDCs) should ensure that each individual work programme contains a manageable number of items

that have been prioritised in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member/s and with input from Corporate Directors.

- 1.4 Each individual work programme item must have a clearly defined output, such as a specific policy, that is deliverable within a realistic timescale given the available resources. When developing their work plans, CDCs should clearly map out the process and resources required for the development of new policies.
- 1.5 CDCs should seek to avoid any overlap with Scrutiny. They should seek to develop and deliver draft policies for adoption at Cabinet or Council and provide written reports with clear outputs. Verbal reports will not be permitted, .

#### 2. Work Programme for Climate Change CDC

2.1 Following a discussion between the Director and Cabinet Member(s), the priorities outlined below, have been identified as draft items for the Climate Change CDC work programme 2022-23, subject to the approval or amendment of Climate Change CDC. The table below also records: the anticipated outputs and outcome from each work plan item; the policy commitment that each CDC work plan item helps deliver; the corporate priority that each CDC work plan item is aligned to.

CDC Work Plan item	Required output, e.g. policy	Intended outcome	Policy Commitment	Corporate priority	Responsible Officers	Meeting dates
Nature Recovery	To explore current working practices that can be turned into formal policy including county wide GI strategy, biodiversity in the community, Nature Recovery Action Plan and Section 6 Biodiversity Action Plan	New adopted Nature Recovery Plans and Strategies	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change	Phil Holmes/Paul Meller /Deb Hill	12 <sup>th</sup> September (21 <sup>st</sup> Sept)
2030 Net Zero Delivery	Identifying key areas for policy development arising from our 2030 net zero Swansea Council plan and strategic approach	New plan adopted	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change	Geoff Bacon/Anton y Moss/Rachel Lewis	10 <sup>th</sup> October(19 <sup>t</sup> <sup>h</sup> Oct)
Waste Strategy	Identifying key areas for policy development	Waste Strategy	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery	Chris Howells/Matt hew Perkins	7 <sup>th</sup> November( 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov)

	including collection methods to maximise recycling and efficiency			and Climate Change		
Sustainable Transport Strategy	Develop an overarching Sustainable Transport Strategy, including for example EV charging network policy	Sustainable Transport Strategy	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change	Stuart Davies/Mark Barrow/Chloe Lewis/Phil John	28 <sup>th</sup> November (7 <sup>th</sup> Dec)
Energy Generation Policy	Developing our policy approach to PV and wind etc. and links to individual projects already planned	New Energy generation Policy	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change	Geoff Bacon/Alex O'Brien/Anto ny Moss	9 <sup>th</sup> January (18 <sup>th</sup> Jan)
Sustainable Food Policy	Develop an overarching council wide policy	New sustainable food policy	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change		6 <sup>th</sup> February (15 <sup>th</sup> Feb)
Sustainable products	Procurement – eg Development of sustainable products Policy	New sustainable products policy	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change		6 <sup>th</sup> March (15 <sup>th</sup> March)
Reflection	To review progress and lessons learnt	New work plan for 2023-24	Climate Change	Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change		6 <sup>th</sup> April(19 <sup>th</sup> April)

Other areas the committee may wish to consider from the policy commitments list and the Delivering on Nature Recovery and Climate Change Well-being objective include:

- Housing stock decarbonisation and new build.
- Lagoon.
- Construction new build and maintenance.
- Procurement/social values.
- Air and soil quality.
- Community land for growing.

• Collaborative working on the 2050 Net Zero county wide behaviour change.

#### 3. Integrated Assessment Implications

- 3.1 The Council is subject to the Equality Act (Public Sector Equality Duty and the socio-economic duty), the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure, and must in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:
  - Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Acts.
  - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
  - Deliver better outcomes for those people who experience socioeconomic disadvantage
  - Consider opportunities for people to use the Welsh language Treat the Welsh language no less favourably than English.
  - Ensure that the needs of the present are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.
- 3.2 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 mandates that public bodies in Wales must carry out sustainable development. Sustainable development means the process of improving the social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the 'well-being goals'.
- 3.3 Our Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) process ensures we have paid due regard to the above. It also takes into account other key issues and priorities, such as poverty and social exclusion, community cohesion, carers, the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) and Welsh language.
- 3.4 An IIA Screening Form has been completed with the agreed outcome that a full IIA report was not required. This report covers an overarching workplan, each action as and when pursued will be screened independently. The IIA screening form is attached as **Appendix 1.** 
  - Summary of impacts identified and mitigation needed If we move in the right direction and bring citizens along with us then all benefits could and should be very positive, eg reduction in fuel poverty, local food

supply, improved health and well-being, reduced fire, flooding to name but a few.

- **Summary of involvement** The initial survey provided very positive feedback, we will be continuing with more general engagement but will also looking to use partners to reach out to specific communities, schools, businesses etc.
- **WFG considerations-** To note the Well-being of Future Generations is a pivotal part of our project governance structure.
- **Any risks identified** Risks are medium financially we will need to continue to lobby WG to ensure funding is available to make such changes eg decarbonisation of homes, transportation, active travel.
- **Cumulative impact** A brilliant and exciting opportunity to maximise the wellbeing of future generations and equality plan principles to make for a better Swansea by 2050.

#### 4. Financial Implications

4.1.1 Whilst there are no direct implications from the CDC work plan, the recommendations and proposals when they come through to Cabinet and/or Council, will likely have substantial costs and those will need to be accommodated within overall budgets, both revenue and capital, ultimately set by Council.

#### 5. Legal Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications.

#### Background papers: None.

Appendices: Appendix 1.

#### Please ensure that you refer to the Screening Form Guidance while completing this form.

## Which service area and directorate are you from?

Service Area: Property Services Directorate: Place

Q1	(a) What are you screening for relevance?
	New and revised policies, practices or procedures Service review, re-organisation or service changes/reductions, which affect the wider community, service
	users and/or staff Efficiency or saving proposals
	Setting budget allocations for new financial year and strategic financial planning New project proposals affecting staff, communities or accessibility to the built environment, e.g., new construction work or adaptations to existing buildings, moving to on-line services, changing location
	Large Scale Public Events Local implementation of National Strategy/Plans/Legislation
	Strategic directive and intent, including those developed at Regional Partnership Boards and Public Services Board, which impact on a public bodies functions
∐x	improvement plans)
	Setting objectives (for example, well-being objectives, equality objectives, Welsh language strategy) Major procurement and commissioning decisions
	Decisions that affect the ability (including external partners) to offer Welsh language opportunities and services
(b)	Please name and fully describe initiative here:

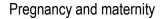
#### Delivering on Nature Recovery & Climate Change – Status report

1.1 The status report provides the new Climate Change Corporate Delivery Committee with an overview of the work currently underway to deliver the new Corporate Well-being objective.

#### Q2 What is the potential impact on the following: the impacts below could be positive (+) or negative (-) High Impact Medium Impact Low Impact Needs further

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Children/young people (0-18)		хΠП		
Older people (50+)		х		
Any other age group		хПП		$\Box$
Future Generations (yet to be bor	n) 🗌 🗍	хПП		$\square$
Disability		хПП		$\square$
Race (including refugees)		хПП		$\square$
Asylum seekers		х		
Gypsies & travellers		х		
Religion or (non-)belief		х		
Sex		x		
Sexual Orientation		x		
Gender reassignment		x		
Welsh Language		х		
Poverty/social exclusion		x		
Carers (inc. young carers)		х		
Community cohesion		x 🗌 🗌		
Marriage & civil partnership		Pag <mark>ę</mark> 9		

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Q3	What involvement has taken place/will you undertake e.g.
	engagement/consultation/co-productive approaches?
	Please provide details below – either of your activities or your reasons for not
	undertaking involvement.

Underpinning the objective is evidence received from over 1000 responses to public survey in March 2021, which has reinforced Swansea Council's approach on this subject matter. Also working with PSB partners to align in readiness for the wider City and council of Swansea challenge to achieve net zero carbon by 2050. 12 plus groups now signed up to the Swansea Climate & Nature Charter including the thee key educational establishments, Fire, Police, Health Board etc.

#### Q4 Have you considered the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015 in the development of this initiative:

a) Overall does the initiative support our Corporate Plan's Well-being Objectives when considered together?

Yes x	
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No [	
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- b) Does the initiative consider maximising contribution to each of the seven national well-being goals? Yes x No
- c) Does the initiative apply each of the five ways of working? Yes x No 🗌
- d) Does the initiative meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs? Yes o | |

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Q5 What is the potential risk of the initiative? (Consider the following impacts – equality, socio-economic, environmental, cultural, legal, financial, political, media, public perception etc...)

High risk	Medium risk	Low risk
	x	

#### Q6 Will this initiative have an impact (however minor) on any other Council service?

x Yes	🗌 No	If yes, please provide details below
		All key policies drivers that influence or emissions and nature
	reco	overy are now working as an established programme board, part
	of th	e governance structure to ensure priority is given to meeting

targets.

#### What is the cumulative impact of this proposal on people and/or communities Q7 when considering all the impacts identified within the screening and any other key decisions affecting similar groups/ service users made by the organisation?

(You may need to discuss this with your Service Head or Cabinet Member to consider more widely if this proposal will affect certain groups/ communities more adversely because of other decisions the organisation is making. For example, financial impact/poverty, withdrawal of multiple services and whether this is disadvantaging the same groups, e.g., disabled people, older people, single parents (who are mainly women), etc.)

Swansea Council recognises that it must lead by example and use its 'Sphere of Influence' to reach out to as many citizens and businesses as possible regarding climate change and nature recovery. The Leader and Cabinet Members have signed the climate charter, and a more generic version for Swansea Citizens and public sector, business, charities, schools, groups etc. will be used, alongside the more simplistic pledge wall as mechanisms to seek wider buy in across the whole city and county.

Involving partners will be paramount to success, and will help support Swansea Council's ambition to lead by example. Agreed strategies will provide structure and governance to ensure delivery.

Listening to and acting on community groups, school groups ideas will help shape the strategy.

Swansea council will commitment to making long term and embedded behaviour change via training and support not only within its own authority but also across the City and County, for all citizens. **We want everyone to shape Swansea's vision for reaching net zero carbon.** 

We can make changes on a huge scale if we all make small changes to how we move, shop, eat, think and live, together.

Reducing emissions and recovering nature needs businesses and households to change. We must use more renewable energy sources such as wind, solar and geothermal. We also have to change how we use energy, by cutting down on the power we use. We need to be more mindful or food sources, the nature surrounding us and how our communities need to adapt for the future.

Swansea Council cannot make Swansea net zero carbon on its own. We need everyone in Swansea to act now and consider what they can do to reduce their impact on the planet. We all need to take action at home, in the workplace, and across the county as a whole.

The Council is well placed to work with others. We can make the most of Swansea's collective potential and create solutions together. There will need to be major investments. We will have to make changes to existing systems of how we use and interact with energy. We must change how we live our lives. We will have to redefine how we manage and interact with our environment.

Above all, to meet this challenge, we need collective leadership and shared ambition.

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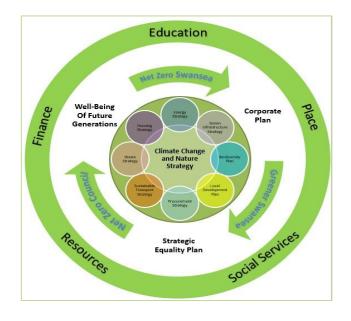
#### **Outcome of Screening**

#### Q8 Please describe the outcome of your screening below:

- Summary of impacts identified and mitigation needed (Q2) If we move in the right direction and bring citizens along with us then all benefits could and should be very positive, eg reduction in fuel poverty, local food supply, improved health and well-being, reduced fire, flooding to name but a few.
- Summary of involvement (Q3) The initial survey provided very positive feedback, we will be continuing with more general engagement but will also looking to use partners to reach out to specific communities, schools, businesses etc.
- WFG considerations (Q4)

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- Any risks identified (Q5) Risks are medium financially we will need to continue to lobby WG to ensure funding available to make such changes eg decarbonisation of homes, transportation, active travel.
- **Cumulative impact (Q7)** A brilliant and exciting opportunity to maximise the wellbeing of future generation and equality plan principles to make for a better Swansea by 2050.

(NB: This summary paragraph should be used in the relevant section of corporate report)

#### Full IIA to be completed

# Do not complete IIA – please ensure you have provided the relevant information above to support this outcome

NB: Please email this completed form to the Access to Services Team for agreement before obtaining approval from your Head of Service. Head of Service approval is only required via email.

Screening completed by:
Name: Rachel Lewis
Job title: Directorate Project Manager
Date: 8.6.22
Approval by Head of Service:
Name: Mark Wade
Name: Mark Wade Position: Director of Place

#### Please return the completed form to <u>accesstoservices@swansea.gov.uk</u>