



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