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(By Email)

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Dear Councillor Jones,

Natural Environment Scrutiny Performance Panel - 29 June 2021

Thank you for the letter dated 22nd July 2021.

I note no written response is required however, in response to the public question number 2, I would respond as follows:

Question

Who in Swansea Council is responsible for developing a strategy to address this serious problem (air pollution)?

Response

There is a great deal of proactive work being carried out across the council which currently fits under the umbrella of climate change strategy which is overseen by the corporate director of Place, Martin Nicholls. This strategy includes biodiversity, highways, vehicle emissions, waste, housing and energy usage both in terms of the council ambition for net zero by 2030 and the wider target for the whole of Swansea by 2050

However, in the light of the discussion at scrutiny and follow up question we will review the current action plan to ensure sufficient regard is given to the pollution aspect for the next plan being drafted towards the end of 2021.

Yours sincerely

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