CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

AGENDA ITEM No. 9

6 JULY 2022

PUBLIC REPORT

Report of:		Director of Law and Governance		
Cabinet Member(s) responsible:		Councillor Marco Cereste, Cabinet Member for Climate Change, Planning, Housing and Transport		
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REVIEW OF 2021/2022 AND WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2022/2023

RECOMMENDATIONS					
FROM: Director of Law and Governance	Deadline date: N/A				

It is recommended that the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee:

- 1. Considers relevant items which were presented to the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee during 2021/2022, which now fall within the remit of this committee, and makes recommendations on the future monitoring of these items where necessary.
- 2. Determines its priorities and approves the draft work programme for 2022/2023 attached at Appendix 1.
- 3. Notes the Recommendations Monitoring Report attached at Appendix 2 and considers if further monitoring of the relevant recommendations made by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee during the 2021/2022 municipal year, that now fall within the remit of this committee, is required.
- 4. Notes the Terms of Reference for this Committee as set out in Part 3, Section 4, Overview and Scrutiny Functions attached at Appendix 3 and in particular paragraph 2.1 item 4, Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 The report is presented to the Committee on behalf of the Director of Law and Governance.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 To provide the committee with a review of the work undertaken during 2021/2022 by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee for items relevant to the remit of this committee and to consider if further monitoring of these items is required.

To determine the committee's priorities and approve the draft work programme for 2022/2023 attached at Appendix 1.

To note the recommendations made last year by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee which now fall within the remit of this committee attached at Appendix 2 and consider if further monitoring is required.

To note the Terms of Reference for this Committee attached at Appendix 3.

2.2 This report is for the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee to consider under its Terms of Reference No. Part 3, Section 4, Overview and Scrutiny Functions, paragraphs 2.1, and paragraph 3, Specific Role of Overview and Scrutiny, sub paragraphs 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 and 3.8.

3. TIMESCALES

Is this a Major Policy	NO	If yes, date for	N/A
Item/Statutory Plan?		Cabinet meeting	

4. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 The Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee was established by Council at its Annual General Meeting on 23 May 2022. The Terms of Reference of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee were reviewed, and it was decided that the committee's remit relating to the environment should now fall within the newly formed Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee. The new Terms of Reference means that the committee is now aligned with the portfolio of the Cabinet Member responsible for Climate Change, Planning, Housing and Transport.
- 4.2 During 2021/2022 the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee scrutinised the following items that are relevant to the new Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee.

4.3 Monitoring / Calling to Account

- To inform strategic direction in response to the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Independent Commission on Climate's initial report.
- 'Save Bretton Oak Tree' Petition Action to be Taken

4.4 **Policy / Plans / Consultation**

- Tree Management Potential Review of the Tree and Woodland Strategy, Scoping for Appropriate Exceptions and Revised Tree Planting Targets.
- Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan (LCWIP) Review

4.5 **Recommendations Made**

A list of any recommendations made during the year by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee which are relevant to this committee are attached at Appendix 2 for consideration.

5. WORK PROGRAMME 2022/2023

- 5.1 The Committee is asked to consider the relevant work undertaken by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee during 2021/2022 and make recommendations on the future monitoring of any of these items where necessary.
- 5.2 In preparing a work programme for 2022/2023, the Committee is requested to consider its functions as set out in the terms of reference attached at Appendix 3 Part 3, Section 4, Overview and Scrutiny Functions and Terms of Reference, paragraph 2.1 item 4.
- 5.3 A draft work programme which shows the items identified for scrutiny at the Annual Work Programming meeting held on 7 June 2022 is attached at Appendix 1 for consideration and approval.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 None.

7. REASON FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 To ensure the Scrutiny Committee fulfils the requirements as set out in the terms of reference attached at Appendix 3.

8. IMPLICATIONS

8.1 **Financial Implications**

None.

8.2 Legal Implications

In drafting a work programme for this year and reviewing relevant items that were presented to the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee, this ensures that the Committee has a planned and focused approach to the work of scrutiny and is in keeping with good governance.

8.3 Equalities Implications

None.

8.4 **Rural Implications**

None.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 9.1 Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985
- 9.2 Minutes of the meetings of the Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee held on: 7 July 2021, 8 September 2021, 10 November 2021, 6 January 2022, 15 February and 1 March 2022.

10. APPENDICES

 Appendix 1 – Draft Work Programme 2022/2023
Appendix 2 – Recommendations made by the former Growth, Environment and Resources Scrutiny Committee during 2021/2022
Appendix 3 – Part 3, Section 4 – Overview and Scrutiny Functions This page is intentionally left blank