

CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM No. 6
10 JULY 2024	PUBLIC REPORT

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REVIEW OF 2023/2024 AND WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2024/2025

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Director of Legal and Governance	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Considers relevant items which were presented to the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee during 2023/2024 and makes recommendations on the future monitoring of these items where necessary. 2. Notes the information provided in Appendix 1 and considers if further information on the items presented in 2023/2024 is necessary. 3. Notes the Recommendations Monitoring Report attached at Appendix 2 and considers if further monitoring of the relevant recommendations made by the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee during 2023/2024 municipal year is required. 4. Determines its priorities and approves the draft work programme for 2024/2025 attached at Appendix 3. 5. Notes the Terms of Reference for this Committee as set out in Part 3, Section 4, Overview and Scrutiny Functions attached at Appendix 4 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 Legal and Governance.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

2.1 To provide the committee with a review of the work undertaken by the Committee during 2023/2024 and to consider if further monitoring of these items is required.

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 Item/Statutory Plan?	NO	If yes, date for Cabinet meeting	N/A
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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. This report will provide a review for the 2023/2024 Municipal year and detail progress made on actions and recommendations.

4.2 During 2023/2024 the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee scrutinised the following items:

- Introduction to Carbon Literacy and Carbon Literacy Training
- Eco Homes
- Peterborough Climate Adaption Plan
- Recycling and Waste Policy Guide
- Cabinet Portfolio Update – Infrastructure, Environment and Climate Change
- Pension Scheme Responsible Investment Policy Update
- Procurement Service and Climate Change Criteria
- National Waste Strategy
- Peterborough Integrated Renewable Infrastructure (PIRI)
- City Climate Change Action Plan
- Local Nature Recovery Strategy
- Biodiversity Strategy Progress Report 22/23
- Council Carbon Footprint 2022/2023

4.2 **Call-in**

There were no call-ins presented to the Committee in the 2023/2024 Municipal Year.

4.3 **Joint Committees**

The Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee attended the following joint meetings:

- Joint Meeting of the Scrutiny Committees: Draft Budget 2024/2025 and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2024/2027

4.4 **Task and Finish Groups**

The Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee commissioned no Task and Finish Groups in 2023/2024.

4.6 **Recommendations made:**

A list of recommendations made during the year are attached at Appendix 2 for consideration.

5. **WORK PROGRAMME 2024/2025**

5.1 In preparing a work programme for 2023/2024, the Committee is requested to consider its functions as set out in the terms of reference attached at Appendix 4 - Part 3, Section 4, Overview and Scrutiny Functions and Terms of Reference, paragraph 2.1 item 4.

5.2 A draft work programme which shows the items identified for scrutiny at the Annual Work Programming meeting held on 11 June 2024 is attached at Appendix 3 for consideration and approval.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 Officers who worked on the reports for 2023/2024 were asked to contribute to this report.

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 4.

8. IMPLICATIONS

8.1 Financial Implications

There are no financial implications as a direct result of this report.

8.2 Legal Implications

A review of last year's priorities, acting upon lessons learnt and continuous improvement and approval of the coming year's Scrutiny priorities providing a planned and focussed approach to the work of Scrutiny, is in keeping with good governance.

8.3 Equalities Implications

None.

8.4 Rural Implications

None.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

9.1 Minutes of the meetings of the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee held on: 12 July 2023, 20 September 2023, 8 November 2023, 17 January 2024 and 13 February 2024.

10. APPENDICES

10.1 Appendix 1 – Review of Committee's Work 2023/2024
Appendix 2 – Recommendations made by the Climate Change and Environment Scrutiny Committee during 2023/2024
Appendix 3 – Draft Work Programme 2024/2025
Appendix 4 – Part 3, Section 4 – Overview and Scrutiny Functions

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