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## CABINET

Monday 10 November 2025  
3.30 pm  
Council House, Plymouth

**Members:**

Councillor Evans OBE, Chair

Councillor Laing, Vice Chair

Councillors Aspinall, Briars-Delve, Dann, Haydon, Lowry, Penberthy, Cresswell and Stephens.

Please see additional information for agenda item 7 enclosed.

**Tracey Lee**

Chief Executive

## **Cabinet**

**7. Plan for Nature and People:**

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# Plymouth Plan for Nature and People

## Project details

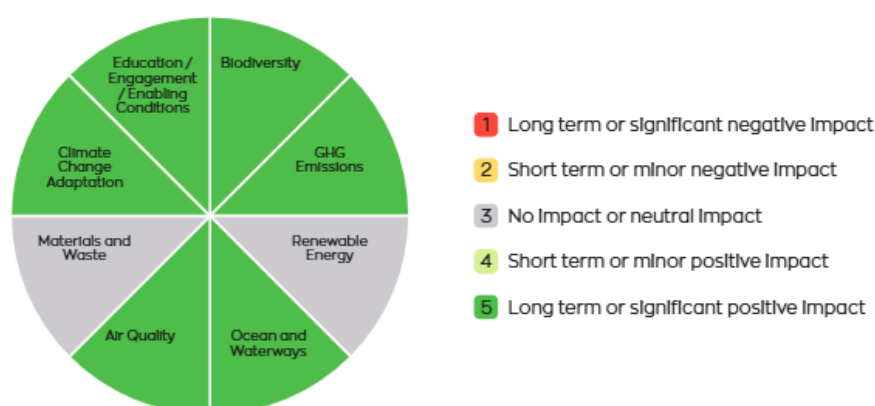
### Assessment author

Chris Avent

### Project summary

The Plymouth Plan for Nature and People (2025–2030) articulates a strategic vision to position nature as essential infrastructure within the city's growth, health and wellbeing, and economic development. It responds to both national and local environmental challenges, including the climate and ecological emergencies, and aligns with the Environment Act 2021 and the Government's 25-Year Environmental Improvement Plan.

## Summary of assessment



The Plan for Nature and People provides a clear strategic delivery plan and vision for delivering positive climate impact for the city.

## Assessment scores

### Biodiversity

#### Score

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

#### Score justification

The Plan sets out a delivery programme with a set actions towards delivering a Nature Rich City

## GHG Emissions

### Score

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

### Score justification

The Plan sets out targets for increasing canopy cover across the city.

## Renewable Energy

### Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

### Score justification

The plan addresses issues of climate adaptation but not energy generation through renewable means

## Ocean and Waterways

### Score

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

### Score justification

The Plan sets out a range of actions to deliver an improved marine and freshwater habitats.

## Air Quality

### Score

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

### Score justification

The plan incorporates a vision and specific actions that utilise nature-based solutions to addressing poor air quality through enhanced natural infrastructure.

## Materials and Waste

### Score

(3) No impact or neutral impact

### Score justification

The plan does not specify any actions that will directly lead to materials or waste issues, but any specific projects arising from the delivery of the plan will consider this in more detail and will be considered through a separate CIA.

## Climate Change Adaptation

**Score**

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

**Score justification**

The plan sets out a range of actions under the Nature Rich City objective which build towards a more climate resilient city, including natural flood management interventions and reducing urban heat effect.

**Education / Engagement / Enabling Conditions**

**Score**

(5) Long lasting or extensive positive impact

**Score justification**

The Plan sets out objectives and a number of actions where empowerment and engagement of the public will be realised.

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