

Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee



Date of meeting:	14 July 2021
Title of Report:	Climate Emergency Action Plan 2021 and Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021: July 2021 Progress Reports
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Your Reference:	CEAPCCRP – Y2 – 2021 Progress
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

This report fulfils the commitments made at previous City Council, Cabinet and this Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee to regularly report on progress on the detailed actions contained in the Climate Emergency Action Plan 2021 (CEAP) and the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021 (CCRP). This report provides the position, as at July 2021, in relation to all the actions that are scheduled for delivery during the year. There is a detailed commentary on every action set out in the accompanying schedules to the report.

Recommendations and Reasons

It is recommended that the Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview Scrutiny Committee:

1. Note the Climate Emergency Action Plan (CEAP) 2021 July 2021 Progress Report, details of which are set out in Appendix 2 and 2a.
Reason: To acknowledge the progress made during the first 6 months in delivering the climate actions agreed by the City Council on 25 January 2021.
2. Note the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan (CCRP) 2021 July 2021 Progress Report, details of which are set out in Appendix 3 and 3a.
Reason: To acknowledge the progress made during the first 6 months in delivering the climate actions agreed by the City Council on 25 January 2021.

Alternative options considered and rejected

Previous options have been considered and this process has been agreed by the City Council and the Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview Scrutiny Committee.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

The actions in the Climate Emergency Action Plan are consistent with the outcomes in the Plymouth Plan, which has been reviewed to reflect the Climate Emergency declaration. The actions in the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan are also consistent with the themes and values of the Corporate Plan 2021-2025.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

The Climate Emergency Action Plan and the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan both set out the strategic direction and necessary focus for the City Council and its partners in relation to climate change issues for the 11 years to which the Climate Emergency declaration relates. As both the documents are strategic in nature the precise finance and resourcing implications will be assessed against each individual action as they are progressed. Any future revisions to the Corporate Plan will need to consider the financial implications arising from the commitments set out in future action plans. Budgets will need to be reassessed and capacity released to enable delivery against the stated ambition of net zero by 2030.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

The Climate Emergency Action Plan 2021 and the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021 will drive the efforts to ensure Plymouth is playing its part in achieving the net zero ambition by 2030 and will therefore have a very positive environmental outcome.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

** When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.*

The City Council promotes a fairer, more equal Plymouth by investing in communities, putting citizens at the heart of decision making, promoting independence and reducing health and social inequality. By embedding this commitment within the Corporate Plan the City Council is acknowledging the importance of ensuring all communities have an opportunity to thrive in a zero carbon world.

Appendices

**Add rows as required to box below*

Ref.	Title of Appendix	Exemption Paragraph Number (if applicable) <i>If some/all of the information is confidential, you must indicate why it is not for publication by virtue of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 by ticking the relevant box.</i>						
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2	CEAP 2021 – July 2021 Progress Report							
2a	CEAP 2021 – Action Plan (July) 2021							
3	CCRP 2021 – July 2021 Progress Report							
3a	CCRP 2021 – Action Plan (July) 2021							

Background papers:

*Add rows as required to box below

Please list all unpublished, background papers relevant to the decision in the table below. Background papers are unpublished works, relied on to a material extent in preparing the report, which disclose facts or matters on which the report or an important part of the work is based.

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Paul Barnard, Service Director for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes Anthony Payne Date agreed: 19/06/2021											
Cabinet Member approval: 'approved in person' Councillor Maddie Bridgeman Date approved: 02/07/2021											