

# CORPORATE CARBON REDUCTION PLAN 2021: JULY 2021 PROGRESS REPORT



## 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 This report describes the position, after 6 months, in relation to the actions set out in the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan (CCRP2) agreed by the City Council at its meeting on 25 January 2021. It highlights the successful progress of all the actions and describes some of the key achievements to date.
- 1.2 The overall outcome of the plan is to strive to reduce corporate carbon emissions to zero by 2030. The City Council intends to lead by example and is putting in place a number of activities this year to demonstrate this leadership combining behaviour change with hands on actions to remove sources of emissions.

## 2.0 CCRP 2021 Progress Report

- 2.1 As at July 2021 and six months into the second Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan, all of the 25 actions have been started with activities underway to achieve their respective targets. Whilst all actions will likely take the full 12 months to achieve their targets, all are progressing well, with no immediate signs of any issues which might compromise completion. 88% of all actions are 'underway' to be completed. There are no actions that are 'not progressing yet'. 3 actions have been already been completed.

CCRP2 Action Status	2021 - 6 Month Progress
Complete	3 (12%)
Underway	22 (88%)
Not Progressing Yet	0 (0%)
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>

## 3.0 Key Achievements

- 3.1 Some of the *actions* that have been *completed* so far include:
- A new tracker system that captures and reports the carbon dioxide emissions from all fleet vehicles has been implemented. (Action 2.2.5)
  - Changes to the Council's Corporate Plan have been made and were signed of at City Council on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021. (Action 2.6.1)
  - The roll out of the e-learning training programme on climate change for staff and councillors has been completed. (Action 2.7.2)
- 3.2 Some of the activities, of note, that have been progressed to date include:
- £5 Million of funding has been secured from two applications to the Public Sector Decarbonisation Fund.
  - £36,500 has been secured from Heat Networks Delivery Unit (HNDU) Round 10 towards district energy.
  - Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs) have been installed in large parts of Life Centre including the Gym.
  - 7 Vehicles with Electric lifts have been purchased and are now operating as part of the Fleet.

- Received and signed a grid connection agreement with Western Power Distribution (WPD) to Implement and monitor vehicle-to-grid charge points on the City Council estate.
- A draft Zero Carbon Business Travel Policy, plan and guide has been drafted. Engagement is underway with various stakeholders prior to its launch later in the year to complement New Ways of Working initiatives.

#### **4.0 Conclusion**

- 4.1 The City Council is increasingly determined to have a positive effect on the environment and to avoid any unintended consequences through its actions. The City Council intends to lead by example and get its own house in order by reducing the emissions from its estate and operations.
- 4.2 The actions set out in Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021, which were agreed by the City Council on 25 January 2021, begins the process of accelerating further reductions in carbon emissions.
- 4.3 Six months into the second Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021 all of the 25 actions have been started with activities underway to achieve their respective targets. Whilst all actions will likely take the full 12 months to achieve their targets, all are progressing well.
- 4.4 There are no significant areas of concern in relation to the deliverability of the Corporate Carbon Reduction Plan 2021 at this stage.
- 4.5 A further progress report is due to go to Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee (BILCO) in 23 February 2022.