

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

Report

Subject : Environmental Policy Action Plan Update
Committee : Services Committee
Date : 7 December 2020
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1. Report Summary:

1.1. This report gives an update on the delivery of the Environmental Policy Action Plan (EPAP) as required by Services Committee 14 Oct 2019 (Minute 578.4 & 578.6 refers).

2. Background:

2.1. Salisbury City Council (SCC) declared a Climate Change Emergency at Full Council on 17 June 2019.

2.2. SCC Declarations;

1. *Working to make Salisbury as carbon neutral as possible by 2030*
2. *Working with partners to achieve “clean air” in Salisbury by 2022, in particular by taking action to reduce vehicle emissions, supporting public transport, cycling and walking*
3. *Replacing or converting all council-owned or operated vehicles to electric powered vehicles as soon as is practically possible*
4. *Encouraging the rapid phasing out of diesel-powered buses in the City by bus operators and their replacement by cleaner or non-polluting alternatives*
5. *Increasing wherever possible the extent of pedestrianised areas within the City centre*
6. *Undertaking a comprehensive programme of improvement of the insulation of all council-owned property,*
7. *Ensuring that such property shall be fitted with solar panels wherever possible*
8. *Doing everything within its power to ensure that such standards should also apply to any new buildings which are permitted within the City*

3. Actions Since Last Services Committee 22 June 2020:

- 3.1. Since the last Services Committee, the Coronavirus and the restrictions have continued to constrain the operation of the Council which have in turn limited the progress made in some areas of the EPAP. As previously reported, this has resulted in the target dates for activity in the Action Plan being extended into autumn and some of these targets are not unrealistic.
- 3.2. EPAP has been further reviewed and is shown at Annex A. There are 40 actions in the action plan. One is completed, 36 are in progress and 4 are not yet commenced.
- 3.3. Actions include:
- 3.3.1. Carbon footprint base line established
 - 3.3.2. Hybrid vehicle for the grounds team identified – note - will lease the vehicle as opposed to purchase.

- 3.3.3. Draft walking and cycling strategy produced and circulated to various interested parties.
 - 3.3.4. Staff travel survey completed.
 - 3.3.5. Scope of works finalised re the grey water harvesting at the Harnham Depot.
 - 3.3.6. Extent of recycling established re the Charter Market including destinations
- 3.4. Further details are shown at Annex A - Proposed Environmental Projects for 2020/21 – December Update (Doc 80906).

4. Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Committee:

- 4.1. Note the actions taken as set out in Para 3 above and Annex A.

5. Wards Affected: All

6. Background Papers:

- 6.1. Annex A – EPAP Proposed Environmental Projects for 2020/21 – December Update (Doc 80906)
- 6.2. Annex B – EPAP as at Dec 2020 (Doc 80907)

7. Implications:

- 7.1. **Financial:** As show in the report
- 7.2. **Legal:** Nil in relation to this report
- 7.3. **Personnel:** Nil in relation to this report
- 7.4. **Environmental Impact:** As shown in this report
- 7.5. **Equalities Impact Statement:** Nil in relation to this report.