

# SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL

## Report

**Subject** : Environmental Policy Action Plan Update  
**Committee** : Services Committee  
**Date** : 6 December 2021  
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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 – 21 September 2021:

- 3.1. Since the last Services Committee the Environmental Working Group (ENWG) has initiated a review the Environmental Policy Action Plan (EPAP). This is now underway with a cross party group of Councillors, who have formed an informal working party to guide the review.
- 3.2. The details of this review will be considered by ENWG shortly, and then a report will be presented to this committee its next meeting.
- 3.3. Work is continuing on previous EPAP projects and tasks, for example the procurement of an additional electric vehicle and ecological survey of three woodland sites to inform the development of site management plans and baseline for future development.
- 3.4. As part of this review a full evaluation of the EPAP action will be prepared and this will be reported to this committee.

**4. Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Committee:

4.1. Note the ongoing review of the EPAP.

**5. Wards Affected:** All.

**6. Background Papers:** Nil.

**7. Implications:**

7.1. **Financial:** Nil in relation to this report

7.2. **Legal:** Nil in relation to this report

7.3. **Personnel:** Nil in relation to this report

7.4. **Environmental Impact:** Nil in relation to this report

7.5. **Equalities Impact Statement:** Nil in relation to this report.