

Report of the City Solicitor

Report to the Climate Change Advisory Committee

Date: 2 July 2019

Subject: Terms of Reference

Are specific electoral wards affected? If yes, name(s) of ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Has consultation been carried out?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Will the decision be open for call-in?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, access to information procedure rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary

1. Main issues

- This report presents the terms of reference for the Climate Change Advisory Committee for Members' information, as approved by Council 22 May 2019.

2. Best Council Plan Implications

- Although the recommendation from this report, to note the agreed Terms of Reference of the Committee, does not have any Best Council Plan (BCP) implications arising from it, the matters being considered by the Committee and its programme of work will aim to help progress the BCP priorities, including the 'Sustainable Infrastructure' priority.

3. Resource Implications

- There are no resource implications as a result of this report.

Recommendations

Members are requested to note the Climate Change Advisory Committee terms of reference.

1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report presents the terms of reference for the Climate Change Advisory Committee for Members' information.

2. Background information

- 2.1 At the outset of the first meeting, it is useful for Members to be provided with the terms of reference (Appendix 1) to set out the remit of the Committee.

3. Corporate considerations

3.1 Consultation and engagement

- 3.1.1 The terms of reference were formally considered and approved at the Council meeting held on 22 May 2019.

3.2 Equality and diversity / cohesion and integration

- 3.2.1 There are no equality and diversity, or cohesion and integration implications as a result of this report.

3.3 Council policies and the Best Council Plan

- 3.3.1 Further to paragraph 2 above, in March 2019, Full Council passed a resolution declaring a Climate Emergency; Executive Board in April also considered the implications of this resolution. In May 2019, the Leader of Council reviewed the Executive arrangements for the authority to reflect the Council's policy objectives in this area, and thus the Climate Change Advisory Committee was established.

Climate Emergency

- 3.3.2 Although the recommendation from this report, to note the agreed Terms of Reference of the Committee, does not have any specific implications regarding the 'Climate Emergency', the Committee has been established to advise and make recommendations to both Council and the Executive on matters relating to climate change and sustainability.

3.4 Resources, procurement and value for money

- 3.4.1 There are no resource implications as a result of this report.

3.5 Legal implications, access to information, and call-in

- 3.5.1 There are no specific legal implications as a result of this report.

3.6 Risk management

- 3.6.1 There are no risk implications as a result of this report.

4. Recommendations

4.1 Members are requested to note the Climate Change Advisory Committee terms of reference.

5. Background documents¹

5.1 None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.