

**Classification:** Public

**Key Decision:** No

## Gravesham Borough Council

**Report to:** Climate Change Advisory Board  
**Date:** 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023  
**Reporting officer:** Climate Action Delivery Manager (Corporate Services)  
**Subject:** Climate Change Delivery Plan

### **Purpose and summary of report:**

To present Members of the Climate Change Advisory Board with the *Climate Change Delivery Plan* for consideration.

### **Recommendations:**

Members are asked to consider and provide comments on the Climate Change Delivery Plan at appendix two.

<b>Key Implications:</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Implications</b>
<b>Legal</b>	None
<b>Finance and Value for Money</b>	N/A – this is an information-only report.
<b>Corporate Plan</b>	#1 People (carbon neutral borough, improve the local environment) #2 Place (positively promote sustainable development) #3 Progress (strong leadership)
<b>Climate Change</b>	Whilst this is an information-only report, its content should be of interest to Members and officers and used as a basis to inform the activities of the council, particularly in relation to borough policy-making and decisions regarding climate change adaptation and sustainability of development.

## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 At the meeting of Full Council on 01 December 2021, the council adopted the Climate Change Strategy for the council for the period 2022-2030.
- 1.2 As part of the Strategy a high-level Delivery Plan was set out under three key workstreams:

### 1.2.1 **Gravesham Borough Council – the organisation**

Focusing on how the council can change its own operations and those of its employees, wherever possible to reduce the level of carbon emissions its produces.

### 1.2.2 **Gravesham Borough Council – the housing provider**

Exploring opportunities to bring the council's current housing stock up to a better level of energy efficiency standard where it is possible to do so; ensuring new council housing is built to a high level of sustainability and ensuring local planning policy reflects the need for the borough to consider energy efficiency in all developments moving forward.

### 1.2.3 **Gravesham Borough Council – the community leader**

It is clear that the council cannot directly affect all of the changes that are needed across the borough. However, in its role as a community leader, it can work with residents, community groups, and partners to educate and support them in making changes that will have a positive impact on the level of carbon emissions in the borough.

## 2. **Climate Change Delivery Plan**

- 2.1 The Climate Change Delivery Plan is shown at appendix two. This provides specific actions, along with an indication of resource implication and timeframe setting out how the council will work towards its climate change ambitions, as per the approved Climate Change Strategy.
- 2.2 The Delivery Plan will form the basis of future annual reports.
- 2.3 The Climate Change Advisory Board are asked to provide their thoughts and comments on the Delivery Plan.

## 3. **Background Papers**

Background papers pertaining to this report are held by the Director (Corporate Services). Anyone wishing to inspect background papers should, in the first place, liaise with the Committee & Electoral Services who will make the necessary arrangements.

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<b>Secondary Implications</b>	
<b>Risk Assessment</b>	There are no specific risks associated with the detail contained within the Climate Change Strategy. It will be necessary, however, for both officers and Members are to consider any risks that may be associated with proposed climate change actions to ensure these are fully considered prior to implementation.
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	<i>A data protection impact assessment (DPIA) should be carried out at the start of any major project involving the use of personal data or if you are making a significant change to an existing process.</i>
	a. Does the project/change being recommended through this paper involve the processing of <a href="#">personal data</a> or <a href="#">special category data</a> or <a href="#">criminal offence data</a> ?  A definition of each type of data can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office website via the above links.  No
	b. If yes to question a, have you completed and attached a DPIA including Data Protection Officer advice?  N/A
	c. If no to question b, please seek advice from your nominated DPIA assessor or the Information Governance Team at <a href="mailto:gdpr@medway.gov.uk">gdpr@medway.gov.uk</a> .  N/A
<b>Equality Impact Assessment</b>	a. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper have potential to cause adverse impact or discriminate against different groups in the community? If yes, please explain answer.  No
	b. Does the decision being made or recommended through this paper make a positive contribution to promoting equality? If yes, please explain answer.  No
	<i>In submitting this report, the Chief Officer doing so is confirming that they have given due regard to the equality impacts of the decision being considered, as noted in the table above</i>
<b>Crime and Disorder</b>	There are no crime and disorder implications resulting from this report.
<b>Digital and website implications</b>	N/A this time
<b>Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults</b>	There are no safeguarding children and vulnerable adults implications resulting from this report