

Corporate Management Committee

Thursday, 23 March 2023 at 7.30 pm

Council Chamber - Civic Centre

Supplementary Agenda

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6. Climate Change Update

The report for this item was published as part of the agenda for the Environment and Sustainability Committee on 9 March 2023.

The Committee noted a report on the various activities which had been undertaken, were ongoing or were planned to help the Council and the Borough of Runnymede to meet its net zero targets by 2030 and 2050 respectively.

The current focuses within the Climate Change team were:

- Providing Members with a comprehensive update on the projects which are planned and will help in the Council's response to climate change. Officers would work with the Project Management Officer to ensure all future reporting on climate change activities was easily accessible to Members
- Ensuring the Forward Programme for Committee Meetings was kept up to date and sets out the climate change items being brought to various Committees
- Finalising stage 1 of the Council's Climate Change Study which would set the carbon emissions baseline for the Borough
- Plan an exciting week of events and activities for this year's Great Big Green Week
- Improving monitoring procedures and increasing capacity in readiness to start tracking our progress in reducing our carbon emissions over time

Officers were congratulated on the report, which was more accessible than previous reports and a joy to read. The Committee commented that it was good to see the great work done coming together.

The Committee was also keen for Runnymede to champion initiatives. It was agreed that the Environmental Place Shaping MWP would look into pursuing this.

The Committee commented on the success of the warm hubs and asked Officers where cool hubs would be located in the Borough. Officers confirmed that this information was not yet available, but Members would be notified when the information was available.

The Committee was advised that carbon literacy training for Members would be set up for early June following the election period.