

Overview Committee

Thursday, 14 March 2024 at 10:30

County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP

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COUNCILLORS

Boyd Elliott (Chairman)
Glynn Gilfoyle (Vice-Chairman)

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| Steve Carr – apologies | John Ogle |
| Jim Creamer | Philip Owen |
| Kate Foale | Francis Purdue-Horan |
| Roger Jackson - apologies | Dave Shaw - apologies |
| Eric Kerry | Sam Smith |
| Nigel Moxon | |

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Councillor John Cottee (substitute for Councillor Roger Jackson)

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT

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| Councillor Richard Jackson | Cabinet Member, Finance and Resources |
| Councillor Bruce Laughton | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member, Transformation |
| Councillor Roger Jackson | Chairman of the Healthy Families Scrutiny Review Group – attended for item 6 only to present the report |

OFFICERS

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| Kerrie Adams | Senior Public Health and Commissioning Manager |
| Sara Allmond | Advanced Democratic Services Officer |
| Martin Elliott | Senior Scrutiny Officer |
| Nigel Stevenson | Service Director, Finance, Infrastructure and Improvement and Section 151 Officer |

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 23 NOVEMBER 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 23 November 2023, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Councillor Steve Carr (other reasons)
- Councillor Dave Shaw (other reasons)
- Councillor Roger Jackson (other County Council business) was substituted by Councillor John Cottee

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

AGENDA ORDER

The Chairman agreed to move item 6 – Outcome of the Joint Scrutiny Review of the Recommissioned Healthy Families Programme to be the next item, to enable Councillor Roger Jackson who chaired the scrutiny review to leave the meeting to attend other County Council business as soon as item 6 had concluded.

6. OUTCOME OF THE JOINT SCRUTINY REVIEW OF THE RECOMMISSIONED HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAMME

The Chairman of the review group, Councillor Roger Jackson, introduced the report which set out the findings of the task and finish review in to the recommissioning of the Nottinghamshire Healthy Families Programme and asked for approval to submit the findings to Cabinet for consideration.

The following information was provided in response to comments and questions asked by Members of the Committee:

- The Council could not make it compulsory for new parents to have an in-person health visitor attend their home, but it was mandatory to offer them. There would be a key performance indicator (KPI) on the quarterly performance report to the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee to enable take up of the in-person visits to be monitored.
- The visit carried out when a child was two years old was usually held at a children's centre or other similar setting to enable the health visitor to observe how the child interacted during play.
- If there were any concerns identified at any point, there was a robust process in place to refer matters on for additional support.
- Members had carefully considered the issue of in-person health visits as part of the review as they understood the importance of the face-to-face visits and concerns members had.
- The good work of the review group was welcomed by the Committee.

RESOLVED 2024/001

That the recommendations from the joint scrutiny review of the recommissioned Healthy Families Programme, as detailed in the report, be endorsed, and referred to Cabinet for consideration.

4. BUDGET UPDATE REPORT 2024/25

The Cabinet Member for Finance and Resources, Councillor Richard Jackson, presented the report which provided Members with an update on the budget development process for 2024/25 and set out the assumptions that underpinned the development of the 2024/25 Annual Budget Report and the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS).

The Section 151 Officer, Nigel Stevenson, advised Members that there had been an announcement by Government, the day before, of £500 million additional funding across all Councils for social care. Whilst the specific details of the allocations were not yet known, it had been reported that the funding would be allocated using the adult social care funding formula and therefore it was anticipated that the Council could receive an additional £7 million. Members were advised that this was a one-off single year payment which would close the funding gap for 2024/25 but would therefore widen the gap for the following year and would not change the overall gap in the MTFS.

The following information was provided in response to comments and questions asked by Members of the Committee:

- In response to questions regarding why the Committee was not receiving the full budget report, Members were advised that the timetable had been changed to allow more time between the meetings so that the comments from Overview Committee could be properly considered in advance of the report to Cabinet. This meant that some information was not yet available, however the assumptions used to create the budget could be tested by the Committee. Members were advised that the Budget 2024/25 report to Cabinet would set out any savings proposals, if there were any.
- In response to a question regarding the current figure for capital receipts, Members were advised that any revisions to the capital programme were fed into the monthly finance update reports so Members could track any changes through those reports. Members asked for further information on the factors that had been considered to inform the review of the capital programme and whether other factors in addition to inflation had impacted on the revised cost of delivering the capital programme.
- There was a better response to the consultation than last year and there was a majority view from respondents that residents would rather pay a little more than lose services. Members asked that the findings of the consultation be fully considered in formulating proposals on Council Tax and in developing the 2024/25 budget. It was requested that a report be brought back to the Committee on the consultation responses to enable an assessment of its success and how it could be built on.
- In response to a question regarding funding for flooding response, Members were advised that the figure was determined by a risk-based approach to the general fund balances. Members asked that the funding allocated to the flooding response be considered in light of the impacts of climate change on the number and severity of flooding incidents.

- There had been a significant increase in the number of Education and Health Care Plans being issued, which was trend being seen across the country. Of these, only a proportion required SEND transport, however there was a sudden jump in the number of children requiring transport, as well as fuel, which was being managed in-year. Work was being undertaken to model how transport was provided for SEND children, and it was most important to ensure the right outcome for the child, which could mean higher costs.
- The savings generated by the new offices near Hucknall would begin to appear in the Medium-Term Financial Plan in two to three years' time.
- Members asked to receive further information on how much additional funding the Council would receive following the announcement made by Government the previous day, once it was known.
- Members asked to receive further information regarding the delivery and monitoring of the Council's transformation programme.

RESOLVED 2024/002

That the comments made by Members during consideration of the development of the 2024/25 Annual Budget Report and the Medium Term Financial Strategy be submitted to Cabinet for their consideration.

5. NOTTINGHAMSHIRE PLAN – ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN 2024/25

The Cabinet Member for Transformation, Councillor Bruce Laughton, introduced the report which provided an update on development of the Annual Delivery Plan for 2024/25.

The following information was provided in response to comments and questions asked by Members of the Committee:

- The assignment of actions to teams would continue, but this information would be removed from the document following feedback on the 2023/24 plan.
- The Annual Plan 2023/24 would come to Committee in May so Members could scrutinise a full year's performance.

RESOLVED 2024/003

That the progress to date with regards to the development of the Annual Delivery Plan 2024/25 be noted.

7. SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMMES

The Senior Scrutiny Officer, Martin Elliott, introduced the Committee's current work programme. The work programmes for each of the select committees were also appended to the report.

Members asked that the following items be added to the Overview Committee work programme:-

- Progress report on transformation activity
- Blue badge applications/processing

RESOLVED 2024/004

- 1) That the Overview Committee work programme be noted.
- 2) That the work programmes of the three select committees be noted.
- 3) That Committee Members make any further suggestions for consideration by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for inclusion on the Overview Work Programme, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and senior officers, subject to the required approval by the Chairman of Overview Committee.

The meeting closed at 11.40am

CHAIRMAN

14 March 2024**Agenda Item: 4****REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT****UPDATE ON THE COUNCIL'S CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVITIES AND CLIMATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report provides a progress update on the Council's activities responding to the challenges of climate change and in response to the climate emergency declaration in May 2021.

Background

2. In May 2019, the County Council brought forward a proposal for a new Corporate Environment Strategy (CES) to support national aspirations of the UK becoming Net Zero by 2050. These proposals were approved by Policy Committee in September 2019 and covered the key activities of the Council interacting with the environment, including:
 - o *Use of fuel, energy and water in our vehicles and buildings.*
 - o *Waste generation, treatment and disposal relating to our buildings and activities.*
 - o *The management of the Council's land.*
 - o *New developments and projects.*
 - o *Procurement of goods and services.*
 - o *Use of goods and materials and their impact on the environment.*
 - o *Council projects, strategies, and policies.*
3. Following this, in March 2020 Policy Committee approved the new Corporate Environmental Policy (subsequently reviewed and updated in September 2022) as well as thirteen key strategic ambitions for the environment strategy and a plan was created to include sixty-one actions to support the delivery of these key strategic ambitions.
4. In May 2021 Full Council enhanced these commitments and declared a climate emergency, and latterly Ambition 9 of The Nottinghamshire plan 2021-2031 was approved and is dedicated to Protecting the environment and reducing our carbon footprint.
5. As well as Ambition 9 of The Nottinghamshire Plan, other key ambitions contribute to the delivery of climate action the Council is taking following the declaration. These ambitions are highlighted below:
 - Attracting investment in infrastructure, the economy and green growth
 - Helping our people live healthier and more independent lives

- Making Nottinghamshire somewhere people love to live, work and visit

Governance

6. The Place Department Leadership Team have operational oversight of the strategy and delivery of the carbon neutral target, due to most of the actions sitting within the Place Department's operations, and a Climate Change team was formed following approval in January 2022.
7. Regular Cabinet Member briefings are shared with the Transport and Environment Cabinet Member and annual Greenhouse Gas Emission Report and Carbon Reduction Plan update are taken for decision.

Information

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting – Progress to date

8. In January 2022 the Greenhouse Gas Report for 2019-20 was approved at Transport and Environment Committee. This set a baseline against which progress towards carbon neutrality by 2030 will be measured. Carbon neutrality will be achieved by reducing emissions at source where possible, and by offsetting any residual emissions where necessary. GHG reports for 2020-21 and 2021-22 showed good progress towards the 2030 target.
9. A Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions report has now been produced, for 2022-23, and the full report can be found in [here](#).
10. To calculate the Council's GHG emissions the Greenhouse Gas Accounting Tool has been used. Developed by Local Partnerships and the Local Government Association, the tool ensures the appropriate conversion factors for the reporting year are used and that reporting conforms to nationally and internationally recognised guidance.
11. Within the GHG Accounting Tool emissions are identified in the following scopes:
 - **Scope 1** – Direct emissions, includes emissions released straight into the atmosphere by activities owned or controlled by Nottinghamshire County Council.
 - **Scope 2** – Energy indirect, includes emissions released into the atmosphere associated with the consumption of purchased electricity, heat, steam, and cooling, which are a consequence of the Council's activities, but occur at sources the Council does not own or control.
 - **Scope 3** – All other indirect emissions that occur within the Council's value chain, such as staff business travel and the purchase of goods.
12. Emissions have been calculated for activities under the Council's direct operational control (scopes 1 & 2), where the level of data required is relatively accurate, data is becoming more robust for these areas and continues to improve. Where data is not so robust within the report it gives an indication of the scale and significance of the excluded emissions sources.
13. For context it needs to be remembered that the County Council only contributes 1-5% from activities within its direct control to overall county wide GHG emissions. Therefore, a large amount of activity that produces GHG emissions is not in our direct control (scope 3). Although

we do not have direct control, we do have various levels of influence in these areas and will continue to address this positively through the wider CES action plan.

14. Work is underway with Public Health colleagues to identify the associated co-benefits of climate action; this will support future decision making and help us to understand the level of impact GHG emissions are having locally. This piece of work will also look further, working with Procurement colleagues to influence our supply chains and commissioned services.
15. Looking at wider County emissions a Nottinghamshire Net Zero Framework is in development to document the County Council's ambitions for a Net-Zero Nottinghamshire. It will detail the Council's role and priorities and a report is also due to Overview Committee on 14th March 2024 for Members engagement and feedback.
16. The Councils Alternative Service Delivery Models (ASDMs) are responsible for their own energy performance and are not included within the Council's GHG reports. However, we have a responsibility to work with our partners to ensure they are supported in achieving their own targets, these are set out in the Carbon Reduction Plan update (**Appendix B**) and the CES action plan.
17. The table below shows a summary of Nottinghamshire County Council emissions 2019-20 to 2022-23:

| Scope | Emissions source | Emissions (tCO ₂ e) | | | | Percentage change from baseline |
|---------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------------------------|
| | | 2019-20 baseline | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 | |
| Scope 1 | Heating fuels used in buildings | 2,970 | 2,482 | 2,454 | 2,087 | 30% lower |
| | Fuel used by fleet vehicles | 811* | 639 | 615 | 732 | 10% lower |
| Scope 2 | Electricity used in buildings | 2,336 | 1,670 | 1,558 | 1,387 | 41% lower |
| | Electricity used by highways assets | 6,750 | 5,232 | 4,311 | 3,476 | 49% lower |
| Scope 3 | Fuel used by staff business travel | 1,819 | 777 | 1,086 | 1,295 | 29% lower |

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| | Transmission and distribution losses | 771 | 594 | 519 | 446 | 42% lower |
| Total | | 15,457 | 11,393 | 10,543 | 9,423 | 39% lower |

*This figure has been adjusted down from the previous Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report due to errors in data which have now been rectified.

18. Nottinghamshire County Council's greenhouse gas emissions reduced by **39%** since 2019.

This level of reduction can be largely attributed to the following factors:

- **Changes to Working Practices** driven by the Covid pandemic and the adoption of hybrid working policies, enabling staff to reduce fleet and business mileage through use of upgraded ICT, facilitating use of virtual meetings and events. However, the continued increase in emissions from staff business travel between 2020-21 and 2022-23 is a cause for concern. The increase in emissions from fuel use in fleet vehicles in 2022-23 compared to 2021-22 is probably due to the adoption of a more accurate methodology using fuel consumption rather than miles travelled, which has been facilitated by a new fuel card system.
- **Reduced energy use in Council Buildings** due to lower occupancy levels from home working, investment in energy efficiency measures, and the impact of increasing grid decarbonisation on emissions from electricity use.
- **Reduced energy use in Highways Assets** arising from a continued investment in LED lanterns for street lighting, along with the impact of further decarbonisation of the electricity grid.

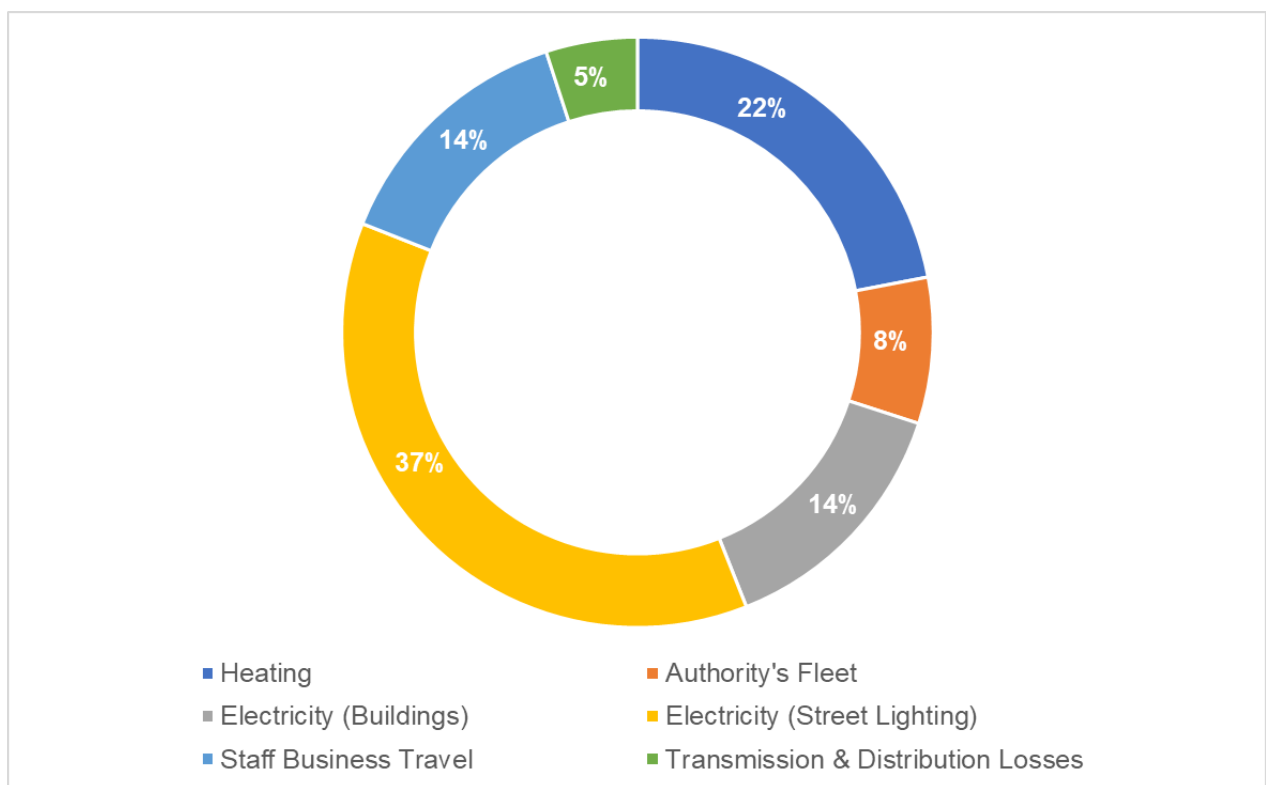
19. This is a positive reduction; we need to continue to make the necessary decisions and changes to see a continued reduction in emissions. The street lighting LED conversion programme completed earlier this year. It will contribute positively to 2023-24 reporting, but thereafter reductions in emissions from highways assets will be less significant unless the grid decarbonises significantly.

20. It should be noted that measures that reduce GHG often deliver other benefits to organisations and society in general, such as reduced utility bills, reduced staff travel costs and improvements to health and wellbeing through cleaner air and increased levels of physical activity. In considering measures to reduce its emissions the Council will look to maximise such co-benefits.

21. For next year's report the conversion factor will increase, this increases in grid carbon intensity as a result of an unexpected reduction in energy generated from onshore and offshore wind farms due to untypical calm weather in and around the UK during 2021. This meant that electricity from natural gas fired power stations increased to meet the shortfall. The emissions factor for a given year utilises the grid mix data from a couple of years previously.

Carbon Reduction Plan

22. The [Carbon Reduction Plan \(Appendix A\)](#) published in February 2023, sets out a framework for action and scope for the activities for which GHG emissions will be measured and reported in pursuit of the 2030 goal. These activities fall into the three broad areas of energy use in buildings; energy use in highways assets (mainly street lighting); and energy use in work-related travel and transport (both core and grey fleet).
23. Given that greenhouse gas emissions are long-lasting and therefore accumulate in the earth's atmosphere, it is important to think in terms of an available budget of emissions that should not be exceeded if nations and organisations are to play their fair part in limiting climate change to within safe levels. To remain within the budget of available emissions, significant reductions need to be achieved quickly and therefore this Plan sets an ambitious interim target in line with the emissions reduction trajectory recommended by the UK's independent [Committee on Climate Change](#).
24. The Graph below sets out the 2022-23 Greenhouse Gas Emissions data as percentage per area of emissions. The electricity used on the highway make up 37% of emissions, the electricity and heating used in the Council's built estate make up 36% of emissions, staff business travel 14% of emissions and the authority's fleet 8% of emissions, equalling 22% from work related travel:



25. Although activity was underway in areas prior to the Carbon Reduction Plan publication, the plan has been implemented over the last year and partners have been supported to produce their own plans and align themselves with the Council's targets and ambitions. An update on progress from both Council and Partner activities can be found within **Appendix B**.

26. Highlights include the publication of the Scape Group, Arc Partnership and Via Carbon Reduction Plans. Inspire have reduced their GHG emissions from their built estate by 10% in 2022-23 and are accessing Carbon Literacy training for key staff members.

Key Areas for Action

27. As well as continuing to support out partners on their journey we will continue to deliver the Council's carbon reduction plan and will focus our efforts in the key areas for action detailed below:

Highways Assets – 37% of Council emissions

28. Now that the LED Street Lighting conversion programme is complete, Highways & Transport along with the support of Via East Midlands colleagues are looking to further decarbonise the highway. Firstly, an LED highways signage project is being explored as a possibility.

Properties – 36% of Council emissions

29. The decarbonisation of the property estate will be a key focus. The Property Strategy is currently being updated to include decarbonisation ambitions.

30. Activity that is already underway will continue and help support the decarbonisation further through the Building and Office Rationalisation Programme. Also, holiday office closures and energy audits which have started to be carried out across the estate will inform energy efficiencies and potential renewable energy generation options.

Staff Business Travel – 14% of Council emissions

31. Reducing emissions from staff business travel is always going to be difficult as working patterns and movements change amongst service areas post covid. The current trend is in the wrong direction and with budget pressures impending a Staff Travel project is underway.

32. The Staff Travel project seeks to support better choices and solutions for staff movements. A review and relaunch of existing schemes to support staff is being worked on and a pilot is underway with a high mileage team (Looked After Children team) to determine if the option of a dedicated low emission pool vehicle reduces staff mileage claims and overall team carbon footprint.

Greening of Fleet – 8% of Council emissions

33. Greening of the fleet is moving progressively (see **Appendix B** Carbon Reduction Plan update) but requires significant investment beyond the current allocation.

34. A Fleet Review began in November 2023 that seeks to find innovative solutions to the aging fleet. As part of the review a team of officers took part in a focused pieces of work during January 2024. This concentrated predominantly on the Transport & Travel Services fleet vehicles. The key findings are being evaluated and an options paper is to be produced. These options will take into account the greening of the fleet commitment and also the current budget pressures.

Evaluating Carbon impacts of Hybrid working

35. The GHG emission reporting has highlighted that hybrid working is impacting on reducing the county councils overall carbon footprint. We will be evaluating this further over the coming months, taking into consideration the impact in the main office buildings, smaller estate buildings, staff travel changes due to hybrid working and the impact on employees within their home settings.

Staff training and Engagement

36. Carbon Literacy training will continue to be offered and delivered around the County for all staff and Members. At present over 200 employees are now certified Carbon Literate since attending the training.
37. Seeking engagement with all staff and service areas will continue through many forms such as through the Green Investment Fund projects, through working groups and bespoke training, and through various online platforms such as the newly launched Viva Engage page – The Green Exchange, Intranets news and team talk.
38. The Employees Green Initiatives Group – a group of likeminded employees who enjoy learning about the latest topics and sharing solutions will continue to be supported as membership grows.

Supporting Communities

Community Directory

39. As part of the Corporate Environment Strategy action plan, we have committed to influence and collaborate with communities to support behaviour change and help communities become resilient to climate change.
40. To support this action, we have developed a community directory to be part of the Council's climate change webpages. The directory provides sign-posting support, information, and funding opportunities for community groups to help with their transition to net zero. The directory is regularly updated with the latest information including community climate change events across Nottinghamshire.
41. The directory launched in September 2023 during Green Libraries week, where we partnered up with Inspire colleagues to promote the Council's green agenda and initiatives. We've since gone on to promote the directory to Parish Council's and community groups through Nottinghamshire's Rural Community Action Network.

Local Demonstrator Advice Fund

42. The Local Energy Demonstration Fund (LEAD) from the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero tests new and innovative approaches to providing in-person energy efficiency and clean heating advice to consumers at a local level.

43. A partnership was formed in Spring 2023 to apply for the LEAD funding across the D2N2 area with several local authorities including Nottinghamshire County Council, the Local Authority Energy Partnership and local energy advice organisations, Nottingham Energy Partnership and Marches Energy. The partnership was successful and awarded £550k to deliver a two-year project.
44. The project started in Autumn 2023 and is being led by the Nottingham Energy Partnership, the project focuses on supporting homeowners across the D2N2 area in homes that are:
- Hard-to-treat buildings – the UK has the oldest building stock in Europe. In-person visits will capture the complexities of these building types, which are harder to address through digital and telephone advice.
 - Hard-to-reach consumers – local, in-person advice may extend the service to certain consumer types, e.g., the elderly, disengaged, those with limited internet access, minority ethnic groups, etc.
45. The project is specifically concentrating on targeting off-gas grid homes, homes in conservation areas, and poorly performing homes. Advice is being provided through a website, free workshops and webinars, as well as in-person retrofit surveys. Homeowners also have access to a network of trusted installers.

Supporting Schools

46. Another Corporate Environment Strategy action, we have been delivering on is the committed to support Nottinghamshire Schools in their transition to net zero, we are doing this through several means.
47. Property Services colleagues continue to support schools, improving their energy efficiency of school buildings through repairs & maintenance to school extension & new build projects. We have improved the school's portal website with net zero advice and sign posting to funding opportunities.

Let's Go Zero 2030

48. We've recently begun working with [Let's Go Zero](#). The organisation has three years of funding (2023-2026) to support schools across the East Midlands with their net zero journey. Dedicated Climate Advisors are working directly with schools to advise and support. The Let's Go Zero project also has funding available to support specific projects.

Notts Outdoor Education Service

49. We work closely with The Notts Outdoor Education Service who are continually working towards educating visiting schools through their programmes and buildings. The service has been successful with two Green Investment Fund (GIF) applications. GIF is an internal funding stream that supports capital projects that are delivering our 2030 Carbon Neutrality target and the wider Corporate Environmental Strategy actions.
50. The funding is supporting improvements to the education centres, so far through the installation of Solar PV panels, EV charge points and Priva building management system

installation. The Priva systems adds a visual aid with a screen showing how much energy is being used and where that energy is coming from i.e., the solar PV panels.

51. The centres are visited by hundreds of schools each a year and provide an educational resource for both pupils and teaching staff.

Audit

52. An internal audit was carried out on climate change and a report was issued in August 2022 that examined the Council's progress on climate change following the Council declaring a climate emergency in May 2021. The review considered the Council's progress on climate change against the National Audit Office's (NAO) publication, "*Climate change risk: A good practice guide for Audit and Risk Assurance Committees*".
53. The Internal Audit report gave Reasonable Assurance, noting that following the declaration of a climate emergency, the Council had quickened the pace of change. The report observed that it was too early to draw firm conclusions and recommended that internal audit review the situation again in 2023.
54. The review is near completion and takes into consideration the recently published Climate Emergency UK assessment of UK council actions progress towards net zero. Climate Emergency UK are a community interest company that have been active since 2019.
55. Their 2023 scoring of local authority progress follows a similar exercise they undertook in 2021. The focus of the scoring is on evidence within the public domain. The Council's scoring has improved since 2021 and we now sit just below the national average.
56. The majority of climate change activity and risk so far has been internally focused, working towards the 2030 carbon neutrality target. The NAO's best practice guide is looking at the broader risk to Nottinghamshire as a county from climate change. To get the most out of the NAO's guide this level of risks needs to be considered at a corporate level.

Financial Implications

57. Whilst there are no direct financial implications in the report individual actions are likely to result in capital and revenue costs variations and will be reported and approval sought at the appropriate time.

Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

58. All the activities noted in this report will contribute to the improved environmental performance for the County Council towards the aspiration of being carbon neutral in all its activities by 2030 and will support the delivery of the wider actions detailed in the Corporate Environment Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Members consider and comment on the report.

- 2) Members identify the areas of activity that they would like to explore further and determine how this could be carried out.

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Constitutional Comments (KK 05/03/2024)

2. The proposals in this report are within the remit of the Overview Committee

Finance Comments (PAA29 05/03/2024)

3. "The financial implications are set out in paragraph 57 of the report. Whilst there are no specific financial implications arising directly from the report, any requests for approval to proceed with projects in support of the Council's climate change ambitions that are not already in the Council's budget will include estimated revenue and capital costs and the proposed funding for these."

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Policy Committee Report, 18 March 2020
- Minutes of Full Council, 15 October 2020
- Transport and Environment Committee, 19 July 2021
- Transport and Environment Committee, 05 January 2022
- Transport and Environment Cabinet, 15 February 2023
- Transport and Environment Cabinet, 05 February 2024

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

Carbon Reduction Plan for Nottinghamshire County Council 2022-2032



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Carbon Reduction Plan for Nottinghamshire County Council 2022-2032.

1. INTRODUCTION

In March 2020, the Council approved a new Corporate Environmental Policy that reaffirmed its commitment to protecting and enhancing our environment for current and future generations. It has subsequently declared a climate emergency and committed to becoming carbon neutral for its activities by 2030 and achieving a net zero Nottinghamshire by 2050, in line with the national target.

This Carbon Reduction Plan sets out a framework for action and scope for the activities for which greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions will be measured and reported in pursuit of the 2030 goal. These activities fall into the three broad areas of energy use in buildings; energy use in highways assets (mainly street lighting); and energy use in work-related travel and transport. Greenhouse gases cover more than just carbon dioxide, but for reporting purposes all emissions are expressed as carbon dioxide equivalent, CO₂e.

2. CONTEXT

The national and international context to this plan is well documented, suffice to say this Plan supports the UK's commitment to reducing its greenhouse gas emissions by 78% by 2035 (based on 1990 levels) and to zero by 2050, in order to play its part in averting a global temperature increase that poses an existential threat to humankind and countless other species.

3. CO-BENEFITS

It should be noted that measures that reduce greenhouse gas emissions often deliver other benefits to organisations and society in general, such as reduced utility bills, reduced staff travel costs and improvements to health and wellbeing through cleaner air and increased levels of physical activity. In considering measures to reduce its emissions the Council will look to maximise such co-benefits.

4. SCOPE OF EMISSIONS SOURCES

In determining the scope of emissions sources for reporting purposes, the Council has taken a pragmatic approach to include those emissions within the Council's operational control, which are significant and for which robust data is readily available or relatively easy to collect.

The international [greenhouse gas protocol](#) recognises 3 scopes of emissions sources:

Scope 1: covers direct emissions from those activities owned or controlled by the Council, which for the Council will be mainly from fuel consumed in boilers and vehicles.

Scope 2: covers indirect emissions from the consumption of electricity, heat, steam, and cooling.

Scope 3: covers all other indirect emissions that are present in an organisation's chain. These are from sources of emissions that the Council does not own or have direct control over, such as those from private cars driven on Council business (the grey fleet) or embedded emissions from procurement.

The emissions reported by the Council in its baseline report for 2019-20 ([GHG Emissions report 2019-20](#)) include those from:

- Energy used in powering street lighting, traffic signs and signals, and other highways assets such as subway pumps, ticket machines and bus shelters
- Energy used to heat and power our operational buildings
- Fuel used by fleet vehicles owned or leased by the Council
- Fuel used by grey fleet (vehicles owned by staff and used for Council business)

Emissions from the following sources are **outside** the scope of this plan and have been excluded from the baseline emissions report:

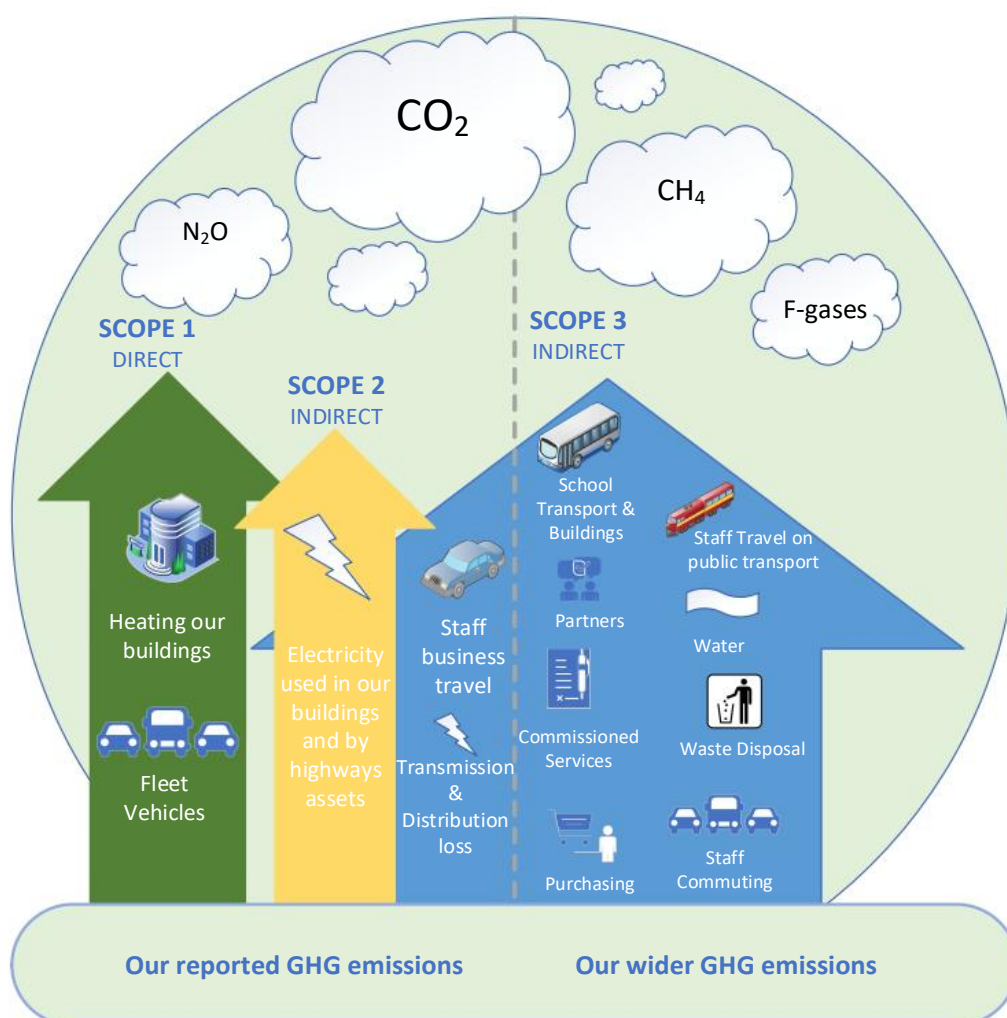
- Activities associated with procured goods and services
- Fuel used by contracted home – school/college travel services
- Fuel used by hire cars
- Fuel used by mobile plant and machinery
- Activities associated with waste disposal from Council operations and offices
- Water use and treatment
- Refrigerant and other fugitive emissions
- Air, bus, and rail travel on Council business
- Staff travel to and from work

However, many of the above are addressed through other plans and programmes, many of which form part of the Council's [Nottinghamshire Plan](#) and its Corporate Environment strategy.

Emissions from school buildings are not included in the figures, as they are outside of the Council's operational control, but Council support is available to help schools reduce their contribution to greenhouse gas emissions, particularly where they buy their energy through the Council's arrangements.

Diagram A summarises the Council's approach to its reported and excluded sources of GHG emissions.

Diagram A. Reported and excluded GHG emissions



Emissions from alternative service delivery organisations

Nottinghamshire County Council has established several different arrangements to provide some of its services. For the purpose of this Plan, the Council has chosen to exclude GHG emissions from its alternative service delivery organisations, as it does not have direct control over the policies and activities that influence their emissions. However, it will use its relationship with these organisations to support and encourage reporting and reductions of their emissions in line with the Council's commitment, especially where the Council owns or has a significant stake in the organisation. Such organisations include Via East Midlands (highways and fleet services); Inspire Culture, Learning and Libraries; and Arc Partnership (property services). **Appendix A** lists these organisations and summarises their emissions reporting and reduction activities.

5. BASELINE

The baseline year for this Plan is 2019-20, with the emissions being calculated using a bespoke local authority reporting tool developed by the Local Government Association and Local Partnerships.

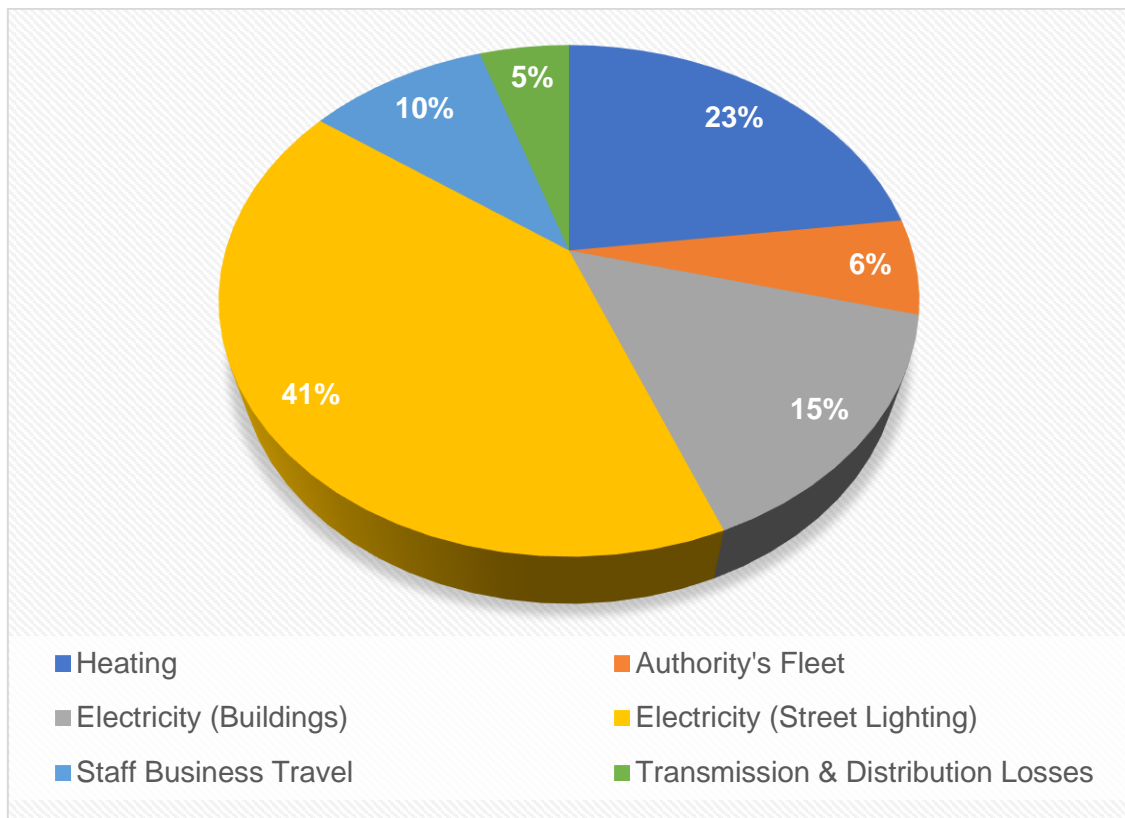
Nottinghamshire County Council's GHG emissions for 2019-20 totalled 15,457 tonnes CO₂e.

Table 1. Summary of emissions for Nottinghamshire County Council, 2019-20 baseline year to 2021-22.

| Scope | Emissions source | Emissions (tCO ₂ e) | | | Percentage change from baseline |
|--------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| | | 2019-20 (baseline) | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | |
| Scope 1 | Heating fuels used in buildings | 2,970 | 2,482 | 2,454 | 17% lower |
| | Fuel used by fleet vehicles | 811* | 639 | 615 | 24% lower |
| Scope 2 | Electricity used in buildings | 2,336 | 1,670 | 1,558 | 33% lower |
| | Electricity used by highways assets | 6,750 | 5,232 | 4,331 | 36% lower |
| Scope 3 | Fuel used by staff business travel | 1,819 | 777 | 1,086 | 40% lower |
| | Transmission and distribution losses | 771 | 594 | 519 | 23% lower |
| Total | | 15, 457 | 11,393 | 10,543 | 32% lower |

* This figure has been adjusted down from the original 2019-20 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Baseline Report due to errors in data which have now been rectified.

Graph 1. Summary pie chart of percentage share of emissions by source for Nottinghamshire County Council activities 2021 -22



6. TARGETS

Given that greenhouse gas emissions are long-lasting and therefore accumulate in the earth's atmosphere, it is important to think in terms of an available budget of emissions that should not be exceeded if nations and organisations are to play their fair part in limiting climate change to within safe levels. To remain within the budget of available emissions, significant reductions need to be achieved quickly and therefore this Plan sets an ambitious interim target in line with the emissions reduction trajectory recommended by the UK's independent [Committee on Climate Change](#).

The UK's carbon budget period and reduction targets (against 1990 emissions level):

- 2023 – 2027 reduce by 51% by 2025
- 2028 – 2032 reduce by 68% by 2030
- 2033 – 2037 reduce by 78% by 2035

Table 2. Sets out an interim target for the Nottinghamshire County Council's Carbon Reduction Plan:

| Council emissions (tonnes, CO ₂ e) and target year | Council reduction target on 2019-20 baseline (%) |
|---|--|
| Baseline 16,798 2019-20 | |
| 8,399 by 2025 | 50 |
| Carbon Neutral by 2030 | 100 |

7. ACTION PLAN FRAMEWORK

Section 7 sets out interim targets for individual service areas. To reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with the Plan targets, separate action plans will be developed for the four key source areas of property, highways, fleet travel and business mileage in private cars (grey fleet). Background information, including performance data were available, baseline data and broad areas for action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in these key areas are detailed in the following sections.

Action under these areas will also be supported by more generic activities to support pro-environmental behaviours that can contribute to reducing the Council's GHG emissions.

Further to this, whilst the priority will be to reduce GHG emissions from the sources identified above (Table 1) to zero by 2030, the Council will also need to consider how it will deal with any residual emissions that may remain, so that it can achieve its target (detailed in section 8.).

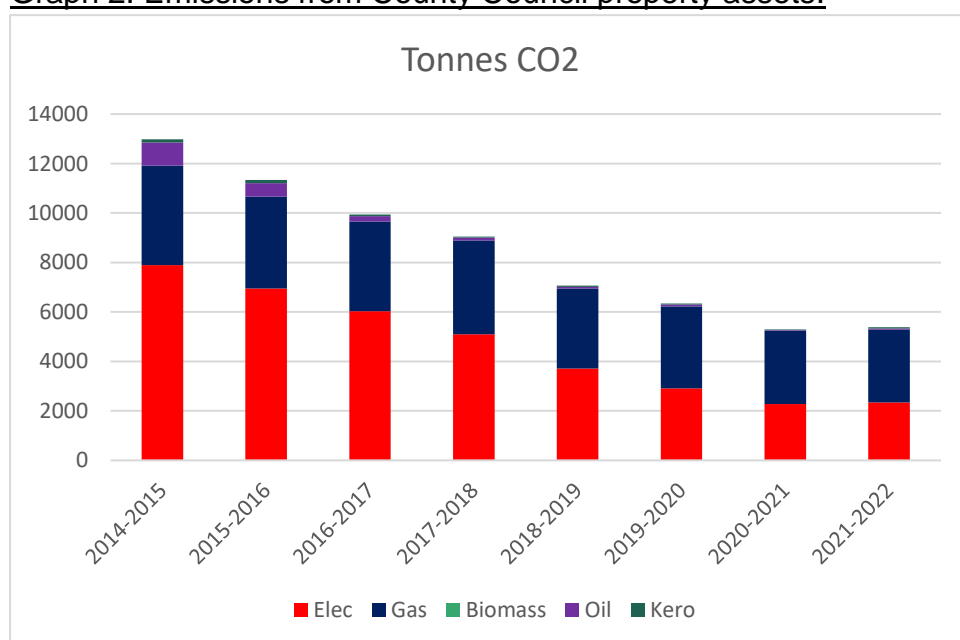
7.1 Reducing emissions from energy use in property assets

Background

Energy use in property assets accounts for 31% of total baseline emissions and currently (2021-22) costs approximately £2m p.a. Of this portfolio (175 corporate sites), the suite of County Offices is responsible for approximately 40% of the GHG emissions and has been the focus of a recent energy strategy for county offices.

Overall, the Council has reduced emissions from its buildings by 59% since 2014-15, graph 2 below shows this reduction.

Graph 2. Emissions from County Council property assets:



This reduction has been achieved by a combination of energy efficiency, investment in renewable energy (chiefly solar power and biomass heating), property rationalisation, and the increasing decarbonisation of the UK's electricity supply.

Currently 39 Council sites, including offices, libraries and outdoor education centres have PV arrays installed, giving a combined generation capacity of 1.2 megawatts (approximately the equivalent of a 100-metre-tall wind turbine).

Reductions in emissions from property will also be supported by the continuing decarbonisation of the nation's electricity supply, and potentially by decarbonisation of the gas grid. It is currently predicted (see Table 1 [here](#)) that the carbon intensity of grid electricity will have reduced to 52gCO₂e/kWh by **2030** (about a third of the current value); to 41gCO₂e/kWh by **2035** and to 10gCO₂e/kWh by **2045**.

Whilst the exact path to achieving zero carbon emissions for our buildings is likely to remain somewhat unclear until a full rationalisation, there are some simple principles that can be adopted, such as the prioritisation of no regrets actions that are either no/low costs or have a viable 'invest to save' business case and will contribute to reduced running costs or provide income generation. Where possible, measures should be future proof, such that they do not impede further emissions reduction measures that may become more viable in time, such as the replacement of gas boilers with some form of heat pump technology. Building fabric improvements, further roll out of LED lighting and widespread insulation and heating control measures would all generally be 'no regrets' measures.

Table 3. Key actions to reduce emissions from property assets

| Area of action and lead officer | Existing and planned activity | Notes |
|---|---|--|
| Property Rationalisation Group Manager, Property Asset Strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The continued work of the Investing in Nottinghamshire Programme. • Service Asset Management Plans (SAMPs) and the Strategic Asset Management Plan (AMP) will inform property rationalisation and carbon saving investment decisions. • Carbon saving potential will be a consideration in disposal of assets to generate capital receipts. | As ways of working and service delivery change, the Council continuously reviews its property needs. Running costs, including energy, and associated GHG emissions will be a factor in determining retention or disposal of owned assets, or the continuation of lease arrangements. |
| Energy efficiency/carbon reduction investment Group Manager, Property Asset Strategy Long term asset – undertake deep retrofit, with installation of low carbon heating Medium term asset - retrofit to improve thermal performance, low carbon heating as appropriate Near term asset – Install basic quick payback measures only | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investing in Nottinghamshire programme; continued use of £1.3m recycling energy efficiency loan fund; property standards and specifications project. • The Council will be continuing to seek external funding to support its heat decarbonisation plans through developing a rolling programme of targeted investment, supported by enhanced condition surveys, energy audits and feasibility work. | Commitment made to set high energy standards for new builds – aiming for as near to zero carbon as possible. Ideally, asset management strategy will identify which properties will be retained in the near, medium, and long term to guide level of investment. Survey work can identify investment opportunities including lighting improvements, better insulation, and heating replacement, appropriate to asset planning. |

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| Small scale, on-site renewable energy investment Group Manager, Place Commissioning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Considered as part of routine feasibility requests for heating replacement projects and for more bespoke low carbon, whole building feasibilities. | Renewable power consumed on site replaces grid supplied electricity, saving costs and carbon, but any power exported to the grid does not factor into the Council's GHG emissions calculations. |
| Property Design and Maintenance Group Manager, Place Commissioning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing emissions from new and existing properties is central to the Property standards and Specifications Project currently in progress. This project covers new builds, refurbishment, and maintenance of properties. | Maintenance programmes can ensure equipment is working to maximum efficiency, reduce risk of leaks of greenhouse gases used in air conditioning, and can ensure any replacement equipment is more energy efficient. |
| Site operation and management Group Manager, Property Asset Strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completion of the corporate landlord review has now established a more centralised and co-ordinated model, which will facilitate enhanced integration of energy considerations into site operation and management. Continued delivery of the Building Energy Management Systems networking project. | Operating hours, control of heating settings, management of power consuming equipment, and such like can all have a positive influence on carbon reduction. Data centres and ICT communications rooms can be managed to help reduce emissions. |
| Behaviour change Group Manager, Place Commissioning And Group Manager, Property Asset Strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council has commenced delivery of a targeted climate change training package, including Carbon Literacy Training for leaders and Councillors, Climate Fresk workshops, and bespoke training sessions for service areas. Continue to support the work and development of the Employee Green Initiatives Group. | Energy/carbon awareness and behaviour change campaigns could fit within wider staff training/development around environmental issues. Switch off campaigns can be low cost and an effective means of contributing to cutting emissions and costs. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify and train eco-champions within service areas to share knowledge and lead by example. • Ensure building managers help embed pro-environmental behaviours in staff and visitors. • | |
| Investment in large scale off-site renewable energy Group Manager, Property Asset Strategy | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council's green estate and agricultural holdings will be considered for their potential to generate renewable energy and/or sequester carbon dioxide, which could provide a means to off-set some of the Council's residual GHG emissions to enable it to achieve its 2030 target. | Unless linked to self-supply, this will not impact on GHG emissions calculations, but can be measured and reported as a means of offsetting the council's emissions and offers a source of income generation. |
| Procurement Group Manager, Procurement | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of the Sustainable Procurement Policy, which commits to achieving economic, social, and environmental outcomes, including the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. This can benefit the Council's reported in-scope emissions and its wider carbon footprint. • Delivery of the Procurement Strategy 2019-2023. • ICT will work to include carbon targets in any commercial contracts and address the Council's wider footprint by looking to extend the life of equipment by decoupling software applications from the operating system. | Procurement and specification of power consuming equipment, outside of that covered by property maintenance, such as white goods, ICT equipment, and multi-functional devices and catering equipment, can positively effect emissions. The Council already purchases solely green electricity through its supply arrangements, which would not alter our GHG emissions calculations using the adopted approach but could be recognised as part of the reporting process. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICT is moving to cloud-hosted services (Software as a Service) which will reduce the amount of on-site energy consumed by the Council. | |
| Service Level Carbon Reduction Plans Heads of Service supported by: Group Manager, Place Commissioning | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy strategy embedded into Service Delivery Plans and being implemented for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ County Offices ○ Notts Outdoors Centres ○ Bus Stations ○ Day Centres | Service level plans will use a combination of the above measures to deliver emissions reductions in a way that combines Council ambition with local level support and innovation. |

7.2 Reducing emissions from energy use in highways assets

Background

Energy use in highways assets account for 40% of the emissions baseline total and cost (2021-22) about £3.2m p.a. These emissions have reduced by 75% since 2014-15 (see Graph 3 below), largely achieved through a long-standing LED street lighting conversion programme combined with decarbonisation of the electricity grid.

Graph 3. Emissions from County Council highways assets:

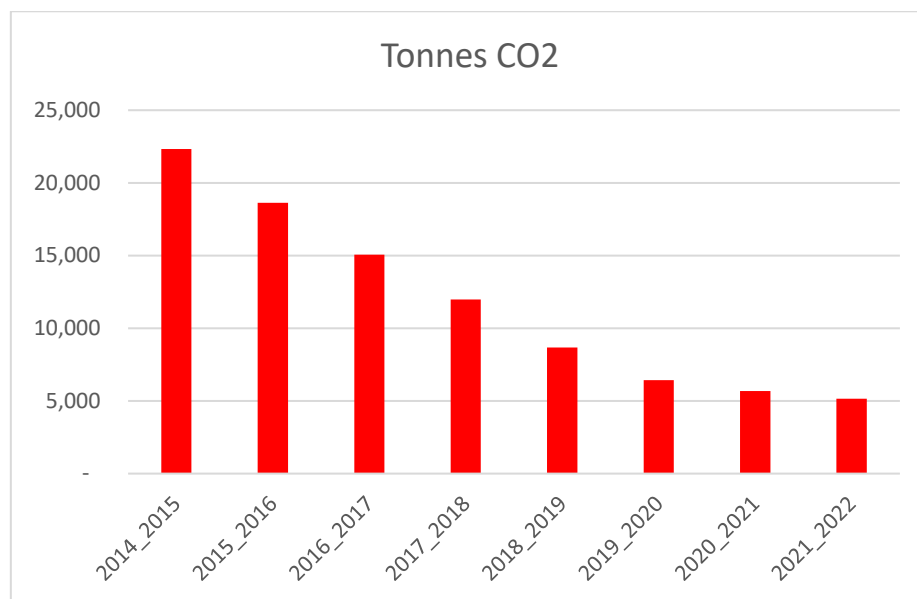


Table 4. Key actions to reduce emissions from highways

| Area of action and lead officer | Existing and planned activity | Notes |
|---|---|---|
| Complete current programme of LED street lighting conversion Group Manager, Highways & Transport | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installed 83,000 LEDs since 2014, saving 90,000 tonnes of carbon so far. Complete the remaining two districts, reducing CO₂e by a further 708 tonnes per annum. | We will finish converting all street lighting to energy efficient LEDs by April 2023. |
| Consideration of part-night lighting and enhanced dimming Group Manager Highways & Transport | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore options, considering investment required and financial and CO₂e savings. | Controls in lanterns are in situ and are not capable of being managed remotely, hence changes to settings would require major investment. |
| Programme to reduce emissions from signs, signals, and lit bollards Group Manager Highways & Transport | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is an on-going Programme in place for this. Most signals are already LED and lit bollards are removed where possible. | |
| Pilot use of micro-generation Group Manager Highways & Transport | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pilots are currently underway to explore PV Solar Panel and PV glass to light and power bus shelters. | |

7.3 Reducing emissions from travel in fleet vehicles

Background

Emissions from Council travel and transport account for 24% of the baseline total and the Council's owned or leased fleet accounts for roughly 13% of the total baseline emissions.

The fleet consists of 194 vehicles as of April 2022. Graph 4 sets out the different type of vehicles. The Transport and Travel Service (TTS) buses make up a large proportion of the internal fleet, providing essential transport to our adult day care sites and local bus services provisions in rural areas.

Within the Nottinghamshire Plan a target of 'greening' the fleet has been set, with 50% to be achieved by 2025 and 100% to be achieved by 2030.

Graph 4. Number of County Council fleet vehicles by type:

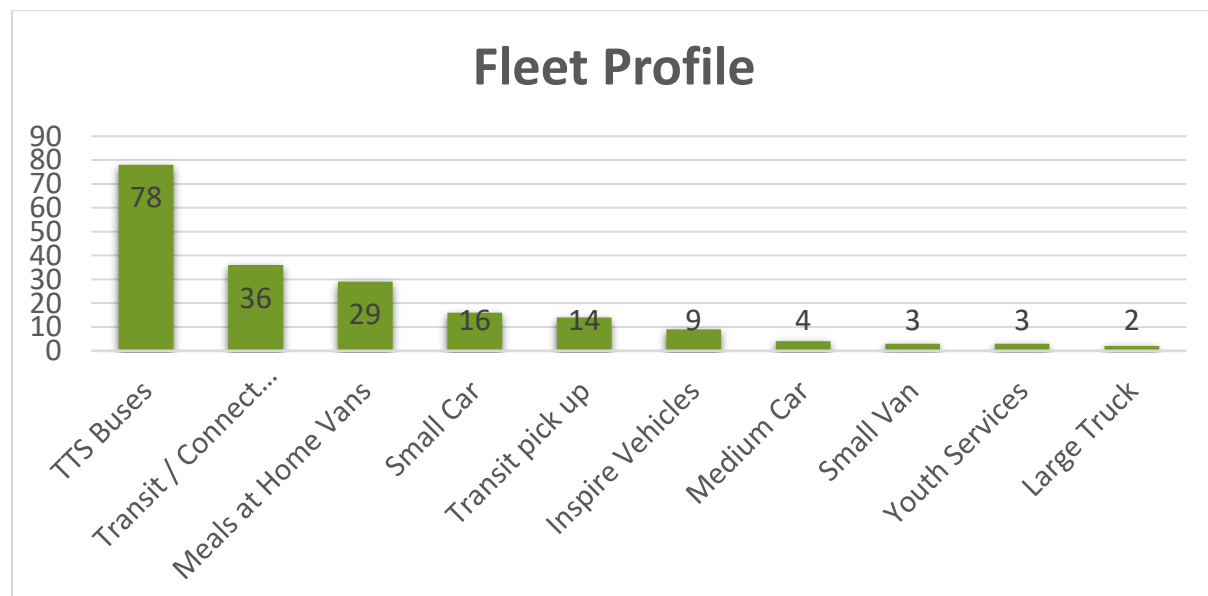


Table 5. Key actions to reduce emissions from the Council's fleet

| Area of action & Lead Officer | Existing & Planned activity | Notes |
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| Greening of the fleet – vehicles and operation Group Manager Highways & Transport Group Manager Property Asset Strategy (on-site vehicle charging or fuelling infrastructure) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduce the number of fleet vehicles. • Replace vehicles with electric and other zero/low emission vehicles. • Offer initiatives such as driver training and improved journey planning to improve fuel consumption. • Provide appropriate electric vehicle charging or other low/zero emission vehicle infrastructure at Council properties. | Baseline emissions for core fleet were calculated using fleet mileage data, whereas in future this could switch to using fuel consumption, which would be a more accurate method and allow greening of fleet vehicles and more efficient driving, etc to positively impact on the Council's emissions. |

7.4 Reducing emissions from business travel in private cars (grey fleet)

Background

Emissions from Council travel and transport account for 24% of the baseline total. In 2019-20, staff business travel in private vehicles amounted to 6,380,376 miles at a cost of £2,871,169. This was responsible for around 11% of total baseline emissions.

In the following year, impacted by the Covid pandemic, such costs amounted to £1,267,422, with a total of 2,816,493 miles - a reduction in miles travelled of around 3.6 million (56%).

In 2021-22, staff business travel in private vehicles amounted to £1,771,512, with a total of 3,936,693 miles.

Table 6, below, sets out the expenditure across all four departments over the last two years.

Table 6. County Council staff business travel claims by Department, Business Travel costs:

| Department | 2020-21 Expenses £ | 2021-22 Expenses £ |
|---|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Adult Social Care/Public Health | 509,158 | 646,094 |
| Chief Executive's | 42,718 | 63,680 |
| Child Families and Cultural Services | 564,577 | 836,141 |
| Place | 150,969 | 225,597 |
| Total | 1,267,422 | 1,771,512 |

Table 7. Key actions to reduce emissions from grey fleet travel

| Area of action & Lead Officer | Existing & Planned Activity | Notes |
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| <p>Reducing business mileage in private cars</p> <p>Group Manager HR Group Manager Highways & Transport Group Manager Place Commissioning</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hybrid Working Strategy has been in place since July 2021 allowing staff to work flexibly. • A salary sacrifice car lease scheme is in place since April 2022 for low emission cars (75g/km or lower). • The Investing in Nottinghamshire programme seeks to find the best possible location solution for Council Offices and Services. • ICT ensures appropriate technology is available to enable remote/home working, removing much of the need to travel. • HR to explore terms and conditions around casual and essential car users. • Develop a staff travel plan to encourage and support staff to use active travel and public transport alternatives and exploring the option of a car hierarchy strategy. | <p>Through enabling and encouraging virtual meetings to avoid unnecessary travel where appropriate, greening and expanding pool car provision, better journey planning, and promoting modal shift through implementation of an approved and enforced travel hierarchy.</p> <p>It is worth bearing in mind if emissions are calculated using mileage (rather than fuel type and use) and a standard 'average car' conversion factor, then the critical factor to effect change upon is the total number of miles driven on Council business.</p> |
| <p>Supporting greener commuting and home working</p> <p>Group Manager HR Group Manager Highways & Transport Group Manager Place Commissioning</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hybrid Working Strategy has been in place since July 2021 allowing staff to work flexibly. • A salary sacrifice car lease scheme has been in place since April 2022 for low emission cars (75g/km or lower). | <p>Whilst emissions from travel to and from work do not form part of the Council's current carbon footprint, influencing the need and means of travel for commuting can positively impact emissions from business travel. Similarly, a progressive approach to work-related travel can</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public transport season ticket scheme allows staff to obtain a reduced season pass. • Promote within the recruitment process travel and commuting options and benefits. | positively impact on wider travel and transport choices (beyond those that are work-related), with wider environmental and social benefits. |
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8. SUMMARY OF KEY ACTIONS

The below table summarises the existing and planned actions within each source areas and includes a suggested target milestone for each action to be delivered by:

| Source of emissions | Key Action | 2021/22 Emissions tonnes CO ₂ e/% | Percentage % | | |
|---------------------|---|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | Target milestone (2024/25) | Target milestone (2027/28) | Target milestone (2030/31) |
| Property | Property Rationalisation | 4,012/ 38% | 25 | 60 | 90+ |
| | Energy efficiency/carbon reduction Investment | | 50 | 100 | |
| | Small scale, on site renewable energy investment | | 50 | 75 | 100 |
| | Property Design and Maintenance | | 75 | 100 | |
| | Site operation and management | | 50 | 100 | |
| | Behaviour Change | | 50 | 75 | 100 |
| | Investment in large scale off-site renewable energy | | 25 | 50 | 100 |
| | Procurement | | 50 | 100 | |
| | Service Level Carbon Reduction Plans | | 100 | | |
| Highways Assets | Complete current Programme of LED street lighting conversion | 4,331/ 41% | 100 | | |
| | Consideration of part-night lighting and enhanced dimming | | 50 | 100 | |
| | Programme to reduce emissions from signs, signals, and lit bollards | | 50 | 100 | |
| | Pilot use of micro-generation | | 50 | 75 | 100 |
| Core Fleet | Greening of the core fleet – vehicles and operation | 615/ 6% | 50 | 75 | 100 |
| Grey Fleet | Reducing business mileage in private cars | 1,086/ 10% | 25 | 50 | |
| | Supporting greener commuting and home working | | 50 | 100 | |

9. DEALING WITH RESIDUAL EMISSIONS

To achieve zero emissions for the Council's activities within the scope of this plan by 2030 without there being any residual emissions would be an unrealistic ambition. Whilst we can look to reduce demand, increase energy efficiency, and make more use of renewable energy, at best it is likely that we will still be using some gas for heating our buildings, grid-supplied electricity will not yet be zero-carbon, and our own fleet and the private vehicles used by staff for business travel will not be without associated greenhouse gas emissions. Therefore, we will need to consider how we would deal with the residual emissions that remain after we have done our best to reduce our carbon footprint, which is where action needs to be prioritised.

Deciding how to deal with any residual emissions is a complex area and requires further work to identify and appraise options. Meanwhile actions already underway that may come in to play include the following:

Tree planting

Through our Trees for Climate Programme, we will plant 250,000 trees on Council land and already manage hundreds of hectares of existing green space, much of it woodland, that is helping to absorb carbon emissions. We will also create a Greener Highways Plan to enhance green corridors and road verges.

Green tariff energy

From April 2022, all electricity used in Council properties and highways assets will be supplied via a green tariff. This option would allow the Council to report zero emissions for its electricity use under accepted 'market-based' reporting guidelines. However, the Council has chosen to report under 'locality-based' guidelines, which calculate emissions from electricity consumption based on the carbon intensity of grid-supplied power, not choice of tariff, as this is considered best practice. Hence reducing consumption of electricity in Council assets remains the priority and furthermore this serves to reduce overall demand, an essential precursor to meeting the UK's net zero targets.

10. NEXT STEPS

As each annual GHG emissions report is produced, there will be an annual review of the Carbon Reduction Plan and its future projections.

The focus will now be on developing the detailed action plans with area leads. The actions listed in tables 3-7 are subject to further feasibility studies and business cases.

APPENDIX A

Our Wider Footprint

The Council's impact on greenhouse gas emissions goes beyond those sources covered by its GHG emissions report and whilst our carbon reduction plan focuses on addressing our reported emissions to achieve net zero for those, we are also working with our service delivery partners, suppliers and others to reduce emissions that are beyond our direct operational control.

There is an expectation that our partners will have the same goals and ambitions for the services they deliver on our behalf when it comes to addressing the climate emergency and reducing carbon emissions across Nottinghamshire.

Below summarises how such organisations are helping to address the Council's wider footprint.

Arc Partnership

Arc Partnership is a joint venture between the County Council and [SCAPE](#) (itself a public sector partnership) committed to improving the built environment across Nottinghamshire, the East Midlands and beyond. Having baselined its greenhouse gas emissions, Arc has committed to prepare and publish a carbon reduction plan by April 2023, which will include targets for reducing emissions from its business travel, energy use, supply chain and construction services by 2028.

[Arc Partnership | Delivering real value, together \(arc-partnership.co.uk\)](#)

Gedling Borough Council

Gedling Borough Council jointly owns Bestwood Country Park with Nottinghamshire County Council and is responsible for its operational management. The park has 650 acres of varied landscape, wildlife, and industrial heritage.

[Climate Change - Gedling Borough Council](#)

Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries

Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries is a charitable community benefit society delivering cultural and learning and library services across Nottinghamshire. The society is owned and controlled by its members.

Inspire has a sustainability policy and sustainability action plan, which includes actions around reducing energy usage. The action plan is monitored through Inspire's cross-organisation Health, Safety and Environment Working Group, and in partnership with a network of Green Champions.

[Home | Inspire - Culture, Learning, Libraries \(inspireculture.org.uk\)](#)

Parkwood Outdoors

Parkwood Outdoors is the outdoor activity arm of Parkwood Leisure and manages Rufford Abbey Country Park in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council.

Parkwood reports its greenhouse gas emissions as part of reporting under the Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) Regulations and has reduced its reported emissions at Rufford by 15% since 2020 through installation of more efficient lighting, and staff training and awareness programmes.

[Rufford Abbey in Partnership with Parkwood Outdoors](#)

RSPB

The RSPB leads a consortium that manages Sherwood Forest Country Park and visitor centre in partnership with the County Council. The 450-acre (182 hectare) park is home to the Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve and is designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Having achieved its previous target of a 30% reduction in its reported emissions between 2010-11 and 2020-21, the RSPB has a new target to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions **across all scopes** by 50% by 2030 and is developing a carbon management plan setting out reduction trajectories and associated actions. It reports progress in line with the UK Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) Regulations.

In addition, the RSPB is seeking external accreditation of its corporate EMS through a phased process. Already a substantial part of the charity has reached Green Dragon Level 2 (with some parts already at Level 3), and the remainder of the organisation, including Sherwood, will reach Level 2 during 2023/24.

[Annual Report 2021-22 SECR page v3.indd \(rspb.org.uk\)](#)
[Green Living at The RSPB - The RSPB](#)

Serco

Serco manages Holme Pierrepont Country Park, which is owned by Nottinghamshire County Council and home to the National Water Sports Centre.

Serco has a company-wide carbon reduction plan that commits to achieve net zero scope 1 and scope 2 emissions for its own assets, leases, and business travel by 2030 and net zero for all its emissions by 2050. This forms part of the company's wider environmental, social and governance (ESG) reporting. Serco Leisure has achieved ISO 15001 certification of its energy management system – a global first in the leisure industry this is in addition to an environmental management system, certified under ISO 14001.

There is a specific environmental delivery plan for the National Water Sports Centre, with actions and objectives addressing carbon and climate, resource efficiency, and environment protection. Actions on carbon include an ongoing LED lighting replacement programme, staff training and close attention to settings and management of building facilities and systems.

[Environmental | ESG | Serco
serco-ltd-carbon-reduction-plan-2021.pdf](#)

Veolia

In Nottinghamshire's two-tier structure, the County Council is the Waste Disposal Authority (WDA), whilst the 7 district and borough councils are the Waste Collection Authorities (WCA). As WDA the Council has responsibility for organising the disposal and recycling of local authority collected waste. This includes arrangements for the recycling, composting and disposal, of wastes collected at the kerbside by Nottinghamshire WCAs and waste delivered to the household waste recycling centres.

The Council has a 26-year Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract with Veolia to carry out the services required. Greenhouse gas emissions associated with Veolia's services on behalf of the Council form one of the performance measures within the contract.

Veolia UK and its subsidiaries are committed to achieving net zero by 2050. A [carbon reduction plan](#) was published in September 2021.

[Planet | Veolia Sustainability](#)

Via East Midlands

Via East Midlands provides sustainable highways and fleet management services in Nottinghamshire on behalf of the County Council and can trade commercially to gain work (of up to 20% of its turnover) across Nottinghamshire and the wider East Midlands region. Via has been fully owned by the Council since April 2019.

Via East Midlands reports its GHG emissions in line with SECR Regulations and is committed to supporting the County Council's ambitions.

[Via East Midlands – The Partner of Choice for Engineering Services \(viaem.co.uk\)](#)

Carbon Reduction Plan Update on Progress (the full Carbon Reduction Plan can be found [here](#))

The below table sets out the County Council's Source Emissions, Action Area and Key Activities that have been carried out since the Carbon Reduction Plan was published in February 2023:

| Source of Emissions | Action Area | Reported Activity |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Property | Reducing emissions from energy use in property assets | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Property Improvements – Mill Adventure Base and Perlethorpe Environmental Education Centre improvements include solar panels, air source heat pumps, battery storage and installing building energy management system. Notts Outdoors Education Service is already calculating its GHG emissions using the same LGA/Local Partnerships tool as the Council, and progress toward net zero continues with carbon reducing measures across the service's portfolio, such as the above. Implementation of Christmas and other holiday closures at major offices. Project planned and agreed for the installation PV solar and LED lighting at Mansfield Bus Station, work commencing May 2024. |
| Highways Assets | Reducing emissions from energy use in highways assets | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 9 year LED streetlight conversion project completed with over 95,000 conventional sodium streets lights replaced with environmentally friendly LED lighting across the County's seven districts, cutting carbon emissions by 107,000 tonnes. Ideas to further reduce emissions associated with lit highways assets are currently being explored. Project delivered in September 2023 part funded by the Green Investment Fund at Kings Mill Hospital in partnership with Sherwood Forest Hospitals Trust. Two large bus shelters with courtesy lighting and integrated real time information displays powered by PV solar and rechargeable batteries. |

APPENDIX B

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| Core Fleet | Reducing emissions from travel in fleet vehicles | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 Electric Vehicles purchased as replacements vehicles in the last year. • Fleet Review underway as of November 2023. As part of the review the contribution to reducing carbon emissions will be considered. |
| Grey Fleet | Reducing emissions from business travel in private cars (grey fleet) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Staff Travel Project underway looking at behavioural changes, support for staff to choose greener options of travel such as walking, cycling and public transport. The project is also looking at high mileage teams for potential solutions to reduce mileage. |
| Staff engagement & behavioural changes | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon Literacy training (CL) – 170 plus certified staff and Members. Monthly sessions available for both staff & Members. Supported and enabled CL for partners – delivered across Arc and Scape; Inspire has booked sessions for its staff for 2024. • Employee Green Initiatives Group (EGIG) now has over 140 members, runs monthly online sessions and quarterly in person volunteering events. • Bespoke training, presentations and talks offered to Departments and Services. |
| Procurement | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new procurement strategy will be developed in 2024 once the legislation for the Procurement Act is laid in Parliament. This will look to maximise its contribution to the Council's environmental objectives. |
| ICT | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is underway to reduce the impact of ICT services on the Council's GHG emissions, moving to cloud-based computing for some applications and relocating remaining data centre functions from County Hall campus. And embedding carbon targets in contracts with suppliers as the opportunity arises. |

PARTNER UPDATE ON PROGRESS

Our Wider Footprint

The Council's impact on greenhouse gas emissions goes beyond those sources covered by its GHG emissions report and whilst our carbon reduction plan focuses on addressing our reported emissions to achieve net zero for those, we are also working with our service delivery partners, suppliers and others to reduce emissions that are beyond our direct operational control.

There is an expectation that our partners will have the same goals and ambitions for the services they deliver on our behalf when it comes to addressing the climate emergency and reducing carbon emissions across Nottinghamshire.

Below summarises how such organisations are helping to address the Council's wider footprint, this includes the latest update as of December 2023.

Arc Partnership

Arc Partnership is a joint venture between the County Council and [Scape](#) (itself a public sector partnership) committed to improving the built environment across Nottinghamshire, the East Midlands and beyond. Having baselined its greenhouse gas emissions, Arc has committed to prepare and publish a carbon reduction plan by April 2023, which will include targets for reducing emissions from its business travel, energy use, supply chain and construction services by 2028.

[Arc Partnership | Delivering real value, together \(arc-partnership.co.uk\)](#)

Arc Partnership has now published its Carbon Reduction Plan, which can be found here [Safety and Sustainability | Arc Partnership \(arc-partnership.co.uk\)](#) This plan is due to be updated to reflect a revised, more accurate and independently verified emissions baseline. It commits to halving ARC Partnerships emissions by 2028. Significantly, Arc has also committed to address its wider footprint, for example by requiring its supply chain partners to provide transparent emissions data and have carbon reduction plans in place. By December 2023, Arc had delivered Carbon Literacy Training to the majority of its workforce and is progressing organisational accreditation in carbon literacy. ARC is also now embedding carbon targets into section business plans, construction procedures and staff performance and development reviews.

Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries

Inspire: Culture, Learning and Libraries is a charitable community benefit society delivering cultural and learning and library services across Nottinghamshire. The society is owned and controlled by its members.

Inspire has a sustainability policy and sustainability action plan, which includes actions around reducing energy usage. The action plan is monitored through Inspire's cross-organisation Health, Safety and Environment Working Group, and in partnership with a network of Green Champions.

Inspire has recently reviewed and updated its Sustainability Policy. It has clarified its aims, which are to minimise its environmental impact by reducing consumption of energy and resources, whilst creating opportunities to raise awareness of environmental issues through reading, learning and cultural provision.

In 2023 it has carried out a number of actions, including an overall reduction of kwh used throughout Inspire's estate by 10% in 2022/3 compared to 2021-2; a [Green Libraries project](#) with community gardens following award of a Green Libraries Grant; successful [Green Libraries Week activities](#) across Inspire libraries, incorporating many activities; a successful programme of [Cultivate for the Coronation](#) themed events and a number of environmental courses. Inspire has a Sustainability Action Plan, which is reviewed by leadership team and by its Board.

[Home | Inspire - Culture, Learning, Libraries \(inspireculture.org.uk\)](#)

Parkwood Outdoors

Parkwood Outdoors is the outdoor activity arm of Parkwood Leisure and manages Rufford Abbey Country Park in partnership with Nottinghamshire County Council.

Parkwood reports its greenhouse gas emissions as part of reporting under the Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) Regulations and has reduced its reported emissions at Rufford by 15% since 2020 through installation of more efficient lighting, and staff training and awareness programmes.

[Rufford Abbey in Partnership with Parkwood Outdoors](#)

RSPB

The RSPB leads a consortium that manages Sherwood Forest Country Park and visitor centre in partnership with the County Council. The 450-acre (182 hectare) park is home to the Sherwood Forest National Nature Reserve and is designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Having achieved its previous target of a 30% reduction in its reported emissions between 2010-11 and 2020-21, the RSPB has a new target to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions **across all scopes** by 50% by 2030 and is developing a carbon management plan setting out reduction trajectories and associated actions. It reports progress in line with the UK Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting (SECR) Regulations.

In addition, the RSPB is seeking external accreditation of its corporate EMS through a phased process. Already a substantial part of the charity has reached Green Dragon Level 2 (with some parts already at Level 3), and the remainder of the organisation, including Sherwood, will reach Level 2 during 2023/24.

[Annual Report 2021-22 SECR page v3.indd \(rspb.org.uk\)](#)

[Green Living at The RSPB - The RSPB](#)

Serco

Serco manages Holme Pierrepont Country Park, which is owned by Nottinghamshire County Council and home to the National Water Sports Centre.

Serco has a company-wide carbon reduction plan that commits to achieve net zero scope 1 and scope 2 emissions for its own assets, leases, and business travel by 2030 and net zero for all its emissions by 2050. This forms part of the company's wider environmental, social and governance (ESG) reporting. Serco Leisure has achieved ISO 15001 certification of its energy management system – a global first in the leisure industry this is in addition to an environmental management system, certified under ISO 14001.

There is a specific environmental delivery plan for the National Water Sports Centre, with actions and objectives addressing carbon and climate, resource efficiency, and environment protection. Actions on carbon include an ongoing LED lighting replacement programme, staff training and close attention to settings and management of building facilities and systems.

[Environmental | ESG | Serco](#)

[serco-ltd-carbon-reduction-plan-2021.pdf](#)

[Serco Ltd Carbon Reduction Plan v3 May 2023 - signed \(003\).pdf](#)

An addition to the text could be the next stage of the LED project could see annual CO₂ saving of 28482.03Kgs

We now have a Green Ambassador on site although relatively new, this person is tasked with regular audits (attached) and closely monitoring the improvement plans.

Veolia

In Nottinghamshire's two-tier structure, the County Council is the Waste Disposal Authority (WDA), whilst the 7 district and borough councils are the Waste Collection Authorities (WCA). As WDA the Council has responsibility for organising the disposal and recycling of local authority collected waste. This includes arrangements for the recycling, composting and disposal, of wastes collected at the kerbside by Nottinghamshire WCAs and waste delivered to the household waste recycling centres.

The Council has a 26-year Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract with Veolia to carry out the services required. Greenhouse gas emissions associated with Veolia's services on behalf of the Council form one of the performance measures within the contract.

Veolia UK and its subsidiaries are committed to achieving net zero by 2050. A [carbon reduction plan](#) was published in September 2021.

[Planet | Veolia Sustainability](#)

Via East Midlands

Via East Midlands provides sustainable highways and fleet management services in Nottinghamshire on behalf of the County Council and can trade commercially to gain work (of up to 20% of its turnover) across Nottinghamshire and the wider East Midlands region. Via has been fully owned by the Council since April 2019.

Via East Midlands reports its GHG emissions in line with SECR Regulations and is committed to supporting the County Council's ambitions.

[Via East Midlands – The Partner of Choice for Engineering Services \(viaem.co.uk\)](#)

Via's Carbon Footprint externally verified by the same provider as used by Arc for consistency. Work has started on developing a Carbon Calculator to look more closely at our operational data. A Carbon Committee is to be established within Via, that will include key people within the organisation to develop the Carbon Reduction Plan and drive it forward.

Via's Board has approved a carbon reduction initiation plan:-

Objectives:

- **Prepare and publish an organisational Carbon Reduction Plan for Via by the end of Q1, including:** an externally verified emissions baseline; annual targets for carbon reduction towards net zero by 2030; a high level action plan
- **Establish governance, targets and reporting** arrangements for Via to support delivery of our carbon reduction objectives
- Embed a **carbon reduction objective** in the Via business plan
- Establish a robust **carbon accounting methodology** that suitably supports action and incentivises improvement.
- Ensure Via's **Carbon Reduction Plan** is aligned with those of Nottinghamshire County Council and Arc Partnership

All emissions relating to highways and fleet services will be included in this Plan. NCC will use its relationship with Via to support and encourage reporting and reductions of our emissions in line with the Council's commitment.

14 March 2024**Agenda Item: 5****REPORT OF THE CABINET MEMBER FOR TRANSPORT AND ENVIRONMENT****THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE NET-ZERO FRAMEWORK****Purpose of the Report**

1. This report aims to introduce the Net-Zero Framework project and allow Members to consider and comment on its intention, structure, and content.
2. The report will be accompanied by a brief presentation.

Information

3. **The Nottinghamshire Plan** details the Council's nine ambitions to achieve the vision of a 'Healthy, Prosperous and Green' Nottinghamshire. These ambitions include:
 - 'Helping our people live healthier and more independent lives'.
 - 'Making Nottinghamshire somewhere people love to live, work and visit'.
 - 'Attracting investment in infrastructure, the economy and green growth'.
 - 'Protecting the environment and reducing our carbon footprint'.
4. Reinforcing The Nottinghamshire Plan is the Economic Transition Plan, which focuses on transforming our local economy through placing the interests of Nottinghamshire communities and businesses at its heart, whilst also driving investment and improvements across the county. The Economic Transition Plan assists with the Council's aims of attracting green growth and aligns strongly with our Net Zero ambitions.
5. Since announcing a climate emergency in May 2021, the Council has been committed to reducing carbon emissions across its assets and business activities. These reductions are needed to help achieve NCC's 2030 carbon neutral target in all its own activities, as well as achieving Net-Zero by 2050, in line with the national target. The Carbon Reduction Plan provides evidence of this commitment and the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report demonstrates a downward trend in our carbon footprint. The commitment and activities to reduce these emissions have largely been internally focused as so far.
6. Although there has been great achievement in the reduction of our emissions, our responsibility and commitment as a council means there is a need to look beyond internal assets and activities, to take a county-wide perspective on reducing carbon emissions and mitigating the impacts of climate change across Nottinghamshire. The Net-Zero Framework is the beginning of NCC's wider perspective.

7. The framework (**APPENDIX 1**) is a high-level, strategic document which outlines the councils' ambitions for achieving net zero across Nottinghamshire. The framework focus is on 'what' the council wishes to achieve, with recognition of the progress, commitments, and priorities across the councils' departments and groups, contributing to achieving our ambition for net zero. It will lay the foundation for us to build upon the 'how' we intend to achieve our ambition. Alongside the Economic Transition Plan, the framework will support the delivery of the ambitions within The Nottinghamshire Plan, underpinned by our statutory obligations and responsibilities as a council.
8. The County Council cannot accomplish our ambition in isolation. Tackling the effects and impacts of climate change requires collaboration with our key partners within and surrounding Nottinghamshire. The framework intends to unite and progress our key stakeholders and partners towards our shared common goal and maximise the co-benefits of climate action.
9. The Place department established a project team of Climate Change and Growth, Infrastructure & Development officers to develop the framework. The project team completed a plan of activities to develop the draft, which included delivering a series of stakeholder engagement sessions, which provided NCC's key stakeholders with an opportunity to give initial feedback on the proposed structure and content. We have also engaged with officers across the council's departments to understand those commitments and priorities currently contributing to the ambition for Net-Zero; the contributions of our key stakeholders were essential to the development of the framework.
10. The framework will proceed through a further stakeholder engagement stage for feedback. This stage will run for two weeks, from 18th March to 2nd April 2024. All input and comments will be evaluated and assessed as part of developing the framework's final iteration.
11. The framework development pathway includes progression through the council's democratic processes. We have kept key Cabinet Members (Transport & Environment, Economic Development & Asset Management and Communities & Public Health) abreast of the framework's development, and our progression through the Overview Committee process ensures Members across the political parties can review and feedback on the framework. Finally, the final iteration of the framework will progress through the Cabinet Member process for Transport & Environment to obtain final approval before publishing.

Next Steps

12. Continue stakeholder engagement to capture feedback and comments, which will inform the final iteration of the framework.
13. The project will continue with preparations for the next iteration of the framework, which will involve ensuring the appropriate cabinet Members are given visibility of the final iteration before progressing through the approvals process.

Financial Implications

14. As the project's focus is to establish a high-level strategic ambition for Nottinghamshire, developing the framework has no direct financial implications.

Implications for Residents

15. As the project focuses on establishing a high-level strategic ambition for Nottinghamshire, developing the framework has no implications for residents. Once the framework is established, action plans to deliver the ambition will likely affect residents. These will proceed through democratic processes as and when necessary.

Implications for Sustainability and the Environment

16. The framework will lay the foundations to achieve our net-zero ambition for Nottinghamshire. Any actions plan built upon the details of the framework will serve to reduce emissions within the county and adapt to the existing effects of a change in climate.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) Members to endorse the intentions and ambitions of the framework.
- 2) Members to consider and comment on the initial framework draft.

Councillor Neil Clarke MBE
Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment

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Constitutional Comments (SR 01/03/2024)

17. These recommendations fall within the terms of reference for Overview Committee.

Finance Comments (PA 19/02/2024)

18. The financial implications are set out in paragraph 14 of the report. Whilst there are no specific financial implications arising directly from the report, any requests for approval to proceed with projects to achieve net zero ambitions that are not already in the Council's budget will include estimated revenue and capital costs and the proposed funding for these.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All.

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Net-Zero Framework



Nottinghamshire County Council's **Net-Zero Framework**

This framework has been developed for:

Local Authorities and Key Partners

Businesses and Charities

Residents and Communities

iStockTM
Credit: Khanchit

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Foreword

Our Net Zero Framework focuses on addressing the climate emergency, attracting growth opportunities within the county, and delivering upon our vision for a healthy, green, and prosperous Nottinghamshire for all.



Cllr Neil Clarke MBE

Climate Change is with us. It has and will continue to impact the lives of residents in many ways. Nottinghamshire County Council's net zero framework acknowledges this reality and sets out the ambition for achieving a net zero future for our county. We recognise our role in mitigating global emissions that drive climate change and through this process, we will play our part in keeping global temperatures within the Paris Agreement 1.5C target and support the nation in achieving the legislative target of net zero by 2050, detailed within the Climate Change Act 2008. Our statutory obligations and responsibility to residents and businesses underpin this framework, giving impetus to our ambition.

The 2023/2024 Storms Ciaran, Babet and Jocelyn are examples of weather incidents expected to become more frequent due to climate change. These storms have caused unprecedented disruption, damage and distress to Nottinghamshire's residents and businesses. The impacts remain and are likely to reoccur in future weather incidents. Adapting to the effects and implications of climate change is just as essential to our net zero ambition. We can mitigate the impact on residents' health and well-being and reduce operational business disturbances through adaptation measures. Adaptation will permit us all to continue our lives in a less disruptive and more sustainable manner. Nottinghamshire needs to be a resilient County, which can bounce back quickly to the realities of a changing climate. Through this resilience, we will demonstrate why Nottinghamshire is a place people love to live, work, and visit.

Our net zero framework recognises the importance of collaborative work to deliver this ambition for Nottinghamshire. It draws the attention of our critical partners towards a common goal, with co-benefits for all who collectively pursue it. The framework builds upon the success of the County Council's partnerships within and around Nottinghamshire, whilst laying the foundation for more collaborative work. Our collective journey to net zero will attract sustainable growth opportunities that will boost our local economy, generate jobs, and provide specialist skill development. Nottinghamshire can look to thrive under challenging circumstances while safeguarding the future of our younger generations.

It is essential to note that the net zero framework is not the Council's starting position. We are already taking steps towards net zero and will demonstrate our progress and commitment to addressing the climate emergency.



Introduction

Why Nottinghamshire needs a net-zero framework?

A Visionary Framework

This framework will consider our internal commitments, national and international law, and the views of our residents, businesses, partners, and other stakeholders to present a foundational approach to achieve a net zero Nottinghamshire.

It works in conjunction with our:

- **Internal ambition** to become a carbon neutral Council in all our activities by 2030, in line with our Carbon Reduction Plan.
- **Local commitment and responsibility** to deliver the Nottinghamshire Plan¹ and the Economic Transition Plan², which were informed by the responses of residents, businesses, and partners to the Big Notts Survey.
- **Duties and statutory obligations as a local authority**, particularly regarding our highways, our waste disposal, planning, flood management, social care, and public health.

It will also consider our:

- **Regional responsibility** to work with partners, such as the East Midlands County Combined Authority (EMCCA) and the councils across Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire, to deliver on our ambitions and acquire the co-benefits of climate action³. We are also working with the Midlands Engine to deliver upon the focus areas detailed within their Ten Point Plan for Green Growth⁴
- **National responsibility** to align our strategic vision to the UK Government's net zero 2050 strategy, and the legal targets detailed in the Climate Change Act.

- **Our global responsibility** to play our part in tackling a truly international emergency by aligning our ambitions with the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals⁵ and the 1.5-degree target outlined in the Paris Agreement 2015.

This framework will recognise Nottinghamshire County Council's significant role in driving the positive changes needed within our communities, while acknowledging that reaching net zero is a challenge that relies on collaboration and partnership working.

Our objectives are to:

Present a positive net-zero vision for the Nottinghamshire region. One that matches our ambition to:



1 Protect and enhance our shared environment.



2 Harness the co-benefits of a low-carbon, green economy.



3 Keep our people safe and healthy.

¹Nottinghamshire Plan: <https://plan.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/wxvn35ce/thenottinghamshireplan2021.pdf>

²Economic Transition Plan: <https://home.nottscg.gov.uk/media/5062544/economic-transition-plan-22-25.pdf>

³For more context on the EMCCA, see: <https://www.eastmidlandsdevolution.co.uk/net-zero/>

⁴Midlands Engine Ten Point Plan for Green Growth: https://midlandsengine.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Ten-Point-Plan-for-Green-Growth-in-the-Midlands-Engine_V1.pdf

⁵Growth-in-the-Midlands-Engine_V1.pdf

⁶UN Sustainable Development Goals: <https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

Complimenting the Nottinghamshire Plan

In 2021, the Nottinghamshire Plan was published, setting out the vision of a “healthy, prosperous and greener future” for the people of Nottinghamshire. This framework will outline the vision of a net-zero Nottinghamshire and demonstrate how reaching net-zero will positively impact at least these four Ambitions:

- “Protecting the environment and reducing our carbon footprint”
- “Attracting investment in infrastructure, the economy and green growth”
- “Helping our people live healthier and more independent lives”
- “Making Nottinghamshire somewhere people love to live, work and visit”.

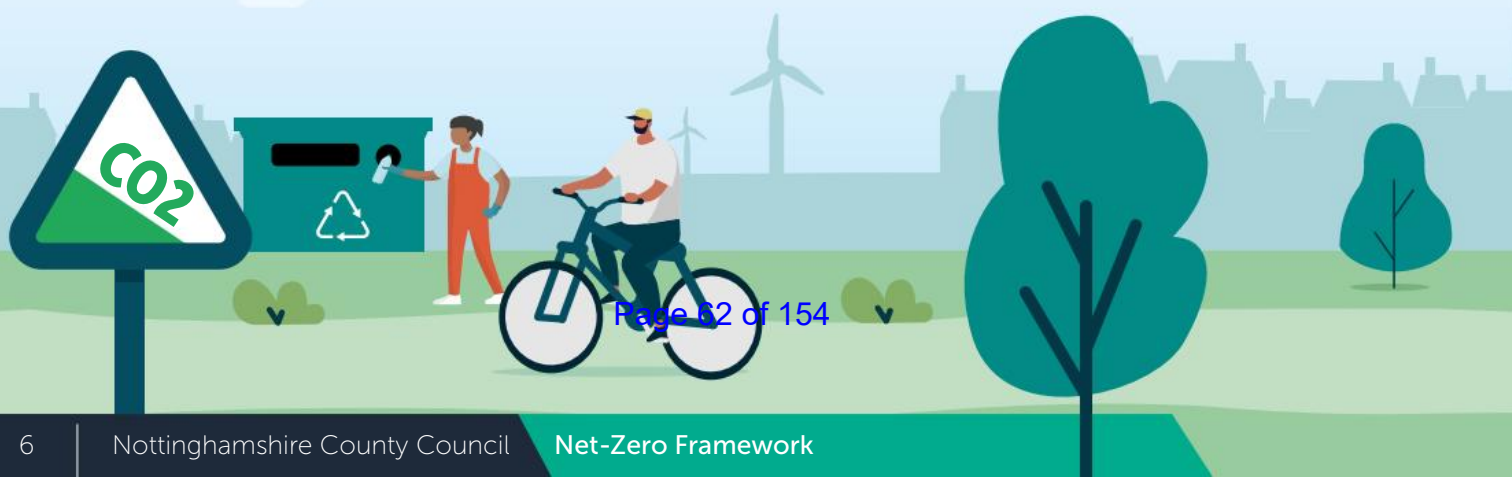
Complimenting the Economic Transition Plan

The Economic Transition Plan demonstrates how the region can build back better from recent economic headwinds. Its people-first approach aims to respond to community and business needs by maximising funding and investment opportunities, particularly in green growth and infrastructure.

The plan is built on six themes of people, business, the visitor economy, infrastructure, digital connectivity, and place, which will connectively enable Nottinghamshire to thrive.

The commissioning of this net-zero framework directly responds to many of the aims of the Economic Transition Plan, by:

- Maximising the social and environmental value of our assets.
- Supporting businesses to grow and thrive sustainably in the context of changing markets.
- Aiding our economic transition to green and digital industries by investing in the skills and talent needed to facilitate new, high-skilled green jobs.
- Attracting investment into decarbonising technologies and infrastructure.
- Ensuring communities take-up sustainable travel behaviours and have inclusive access to greener, more efficient homes.



Building on our Progress

We declared a climate emergency in 2021 and pledged to become carbon neutral in all our activities by 2030. How we intend to do this is captured through our Carbon Reduction Plan⁶.

Key actions of this plan include:

- Improving the energy efficiency of our operational buildings.
- Reducing emissions from energy use in highways assets.
- Reducing emissions from travel in council fleet vehicles
- Reducing emissions from staff business travel in private cars.
- Address the impacts of our wider emissions through our procurement activities.
- Working with our delivery partners to set carbon reduction goals and ambitions for their services that complement the Council's commitments.

Since 2019 we have reduced our operation greenhouse gas emissions by 39%.

Across the Council, we have also delivered the following in line with our wider Corporate Environment Strategy:

- Planted over 108,000 of the 250,000 trees committed to through our Trees for Climate Programme.
- Developed and are implementing a Sustainable Procurement Strategy.
- Created the Nottinghamshire Food Charter with partners to support a local sustainable food system.
- Hosted a regional event that coincided with the Conference of the Parties 26th annual meeting (COP26) in Glasgow, raising the profile of the climate emergency we are facing and sharing regional based solutions.
- Developing and implementing a programme of support for community groups and schools on action and funding opportunities to support their net zero journey.

**OVER
50%**

More than half of the emissions cuts needed rely on people and businesses taking up low-carbon solutions.

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Local Authorities have powers or influence over roughly a third of emissions in their local area.



Our sphere of influence

We are proud of the progress made so far, but there is much more to do. Council assets and activities make up just 2 to 5 per cent of Nottinghamshire's overall greenhouse gas emissions⁷, this net zero framework represents the first step towards an outward facing, county-wide approach. Only by working in cooperation with our partners, residents, businesses, and other key stakeholders, will we succeed in significantly reducing our area emissions.

We will need to go further and support our residents, businesses, and key stakeholders through our influencing powers as a local authority.

Our **sphere of influence** demonstrates the County Council's potential reach, which includes:

- Managing our buildings, consumption, and other assets under our direct control.
- Being a positive agent of climate impact through our procurement and commissioning.
- Using our regulatory powers to steer development and facilitate sustainable place-shaping.
- Promoting best practices and learning through innovation, demonstration, and replication.
- Providing collaborative leadership by co-ordinating with and supporting other organisations.
- Involving, engaging, and communicating with stakeholders on key climate policy aims.

Involving Engaging & Communicating:

Translating global & National climate change targets for local relevance with stakeholders to raise awareness, involving people & ideas for local solutions

Partnerships: leading, bringing people & organisations together, co-ordinating & supporting others, joining other partnership

Direct control:

Building operations, travel

Procurement and commission & commercialisation

Place Shaping: using powers to control development

Showcasing: Innovating, piloting demonstrating and sharing good practice, scaling and replicating

⁶**Carbon Reduction Plan:** <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/5080777/carbonreductionplan20222032.pdf>

⁷**Local Government Association** – Councillor Workbook, The local path to Net-Zero: <https://www.local.gov.uk/publications/councillor-workbook-local-path-net-zero>

What is Net-Zero?

Net-Zero as a solution.

The term, net-zero, effectively refers to an equal balance between the amount of greenhouse gas that is produced and the amount that is removed from the atmosphere. Therefore, to become 'net-zero', the UK and its constituent nations and regions must reduce their emissions by as much as possible, with any remaining emissions re-absorbed from the atmosphere, either by using nature-based solutions or new technology.

As Nottinghamshire is already experiencing the consequences of climate change, such as frequent storms and extreme flooding⁸, we must also include adaptation measures within our net-zero ambitions. These would boost community resilience and mitigate the risks to residents, businesses and our shared natural and built environment.

Net-Zero as an opportunity.

The sooner we move towards net zero, the sooner we can grasp the co-benefits of net-zero for our people, places, and environment.

It is estimated that the net zero economy is already worth over £70 billion to the UK economy and that greener jobs are much better paid⁹. With the transition to net zero potentially creating up to 1.7 million 'green collar' jobs¹⁰, who knows how many can be based here in Nottinghamshire if we act quickly?

Likewise, net zero can make our buildings, assets, and places cleaner and greener, adding aesthetic value while simultaneously protecting our landscapes and regional wildlife.

The opportunities for improving the health and wellbeing of our residents are equally as plentiful. From thermally efficient and cost-effective homes to cleaner air and increased local access to green and community spaces, we can make our shared lived environment safer and healthier. We could adapt our spaces to add greater emphasis to our wellbeing. For example, by transforming under-utilised land to places that promote both sport and refuge, and establish new areas to grow locally sourced, healthy food.

As the health and economic security of our residents is so integral to boosting local resilience to the impacts of climate change, we must ensure that net zero interventions do not exacerbate existing inequalities. Instead, they should empower all of our residents and businesses to equally access the opportunities net zero may provide.



The science tells us



The climate is rapidly changing:

We are experiencing changes to weather patterns and more frequent weather extremes. This is already resulting in some ecosystems collapsing, multiple new health hazards, and significant impacts to our society and economy.



Human activity is driving this:

Activity stemming from industrialisation in the 18th century has already led to 1.2°C of global warming from pre-industrial levels⁸. Our reliance on fossil fuels is actively contributing to the greenhouse gas emissions. These emissions continue to take our planet to unprecedented and highly dangerous levels of warming.



Urgent and decisive action is needed:

Without changes in our behaviour and consumption, and enhanced strategies of resilience and adaptation, our economy, environment, people, and places will continue to suffer. Flooding, air pollution, and heat-related illnesses will only worsen without this intervention.



Urgent and decisive action can positively transform Nottinghamshire:

Although an enormous task, acting urgently and decisively presents exciting opportunities to enhance the environment we share, grow the economy we rely on, and make our communities safer and healthier.



⁸<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/about-us/press-office/news/weather-and-climate/2021/chance-of-temporarily-reaching-1.5-c-in-next-five-years-is-increasing>

⁹Energy & Climate Intelligence Unit – Mapping the net zero economy: <https://eci.net/analysis/reports/2023/mapping-the-uk-net-zero-economy>

¹⁰Onward Greening the Giants: https://www.ukonward.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Greening-the-Giants_-_Getting-to-Zero.pdf

IPCC 2023 Report – Headline statements <https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/syr/resources/spm-headline-statements/> and UN press release <https://news.un.org/en/story/2022/04/1115452>

The Potential Cobenefits of a net-zero Nottinghamshire

Achieving net zero emissions offers a wide range of co-benefits that extend beyond climate mitigation, contributing to a more sustainable, resilient, and equitable future.

A Healthier Nottinghamshire

- ✓ Cleaner air and water
- ✓ Warmer and safer homes
- ✓ Enhanced food security and nutrition
- ✓ Healthier lifestyles through active travel
- ✓ Reduced noise pollution and stress
- ✓ Enhanced mental health and wellbeing
- ✓ Reduction in other climate-related health illnesses and deaths
- ✓ Reduction in health inequalities.

A More Prosperous Nottinghamshire

- ✓ Increased inward investment
- ✓ New technologies, industries, skills and jobs
- ✓ Growth in GDP and productivity
- ✓ Enhanced Competitiveness, expanding export opportunities and establishing new markets
- ✓ Efficient practices that lower bills for households and businesses
- ✓ A self-sufficient circular economy that encourages localism
- ✓ Reduction in inequalities.

A Greener Nottinghamshire

- ✓ Reduced air and water pollution
- ✓ Preservation of natural landscapes
- ✓ Enhanced green spaces and parks
- ✓ Enhanced green spaces and parks
- ✓ Protection of wildlife
- ✓ Restoration & enhancement of healthy biodiversity levels
- ✓ Improved community engagement and environmental awareness
- ✓ contribution to aesthetic place-making.

Context in Nottinghamshire

This section details the latest trends in greenhouse gas emissions and the scale of regional inequalities in Nottinghamshire. This data underpins our ambitions for achieving net-zero and acquiring the co-benefits of climate action.

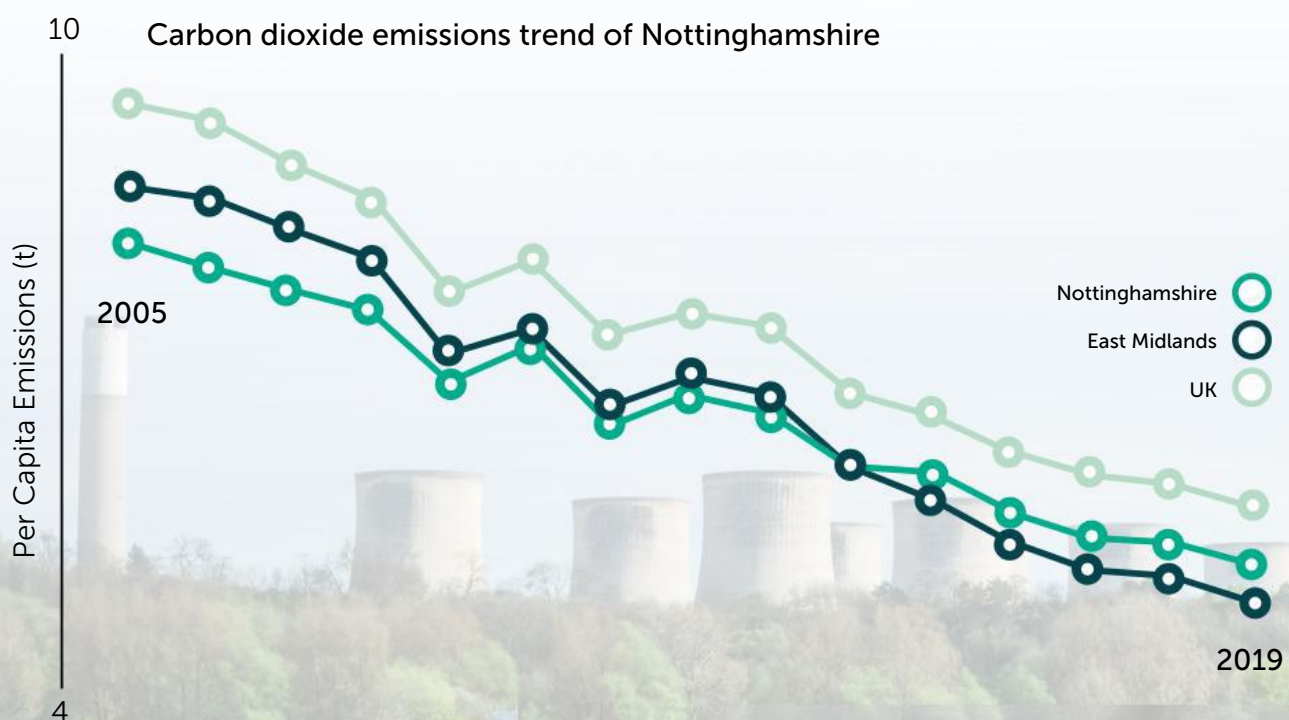
The data tells us that¹¹

Emissions are falling: CO₂ emissions per capita have improved in Nottinghamshire by 35% from 2005 to 2019 compared to the UK-wide performance of 42%. This is on average a reduction of 2.5% per year.

We can do more: The devolved powers and funding granted to the East Midlands Combined County Authority will provide further opportunities to secure more funding for local net-zero projects and initiatives.

The Carbon Budget

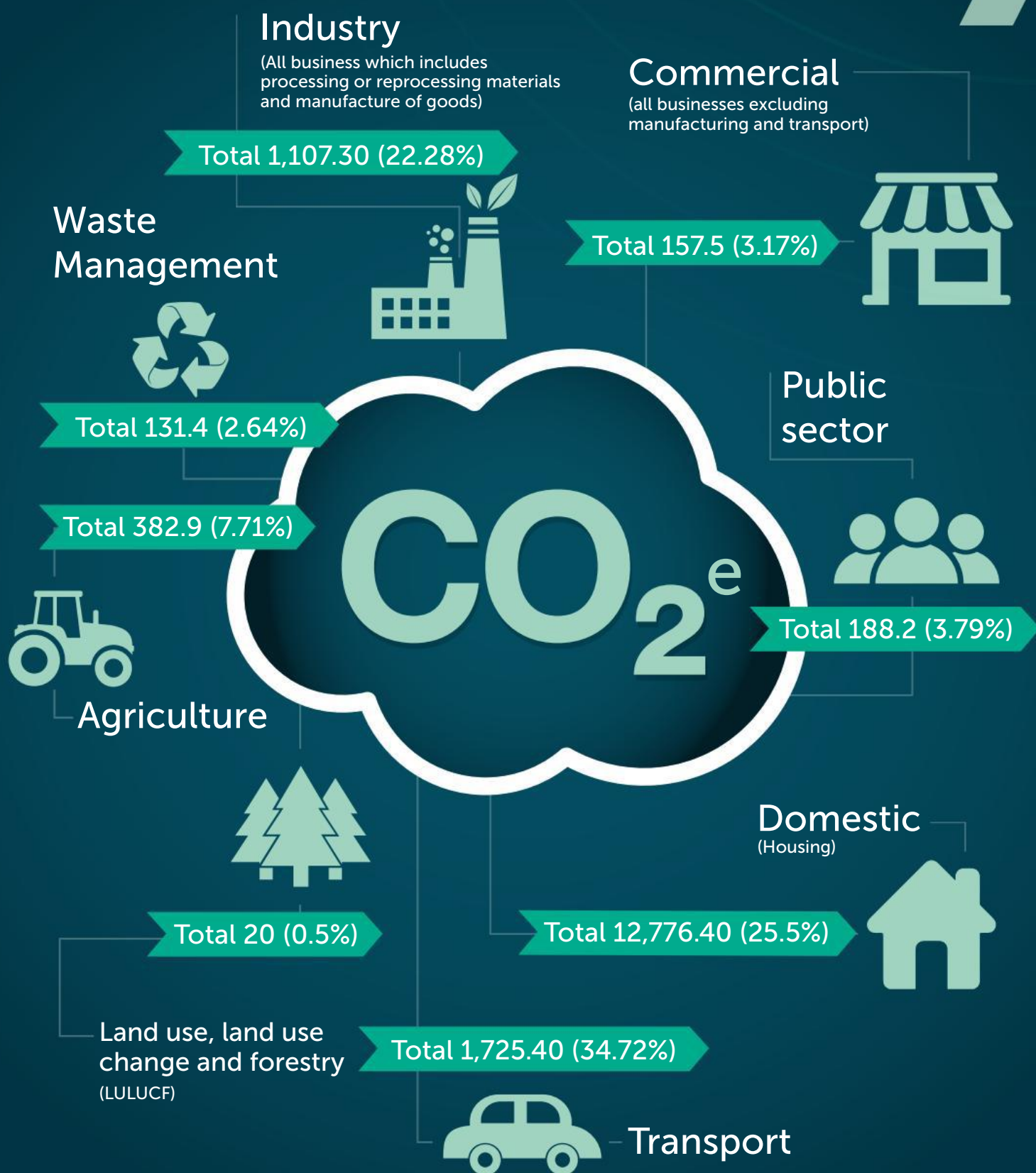
The carbon budget is used within climate change policy to help set emission reductions, ensuring fairness and effectiveness. To make our fair contribution towards pursuing the 1.5 global target with the Paris Agreement, Nottinghamshire needs to reduce its GG emissions by 13.8% per year. Quick and significant annual reductions in emissions require national and local action. Nottinghamshire are now higher than the national average, as are the East Midlands¹².



¹¹Department for Business, Energy and Industrial strategy. UK local authority and regional carbon dioxide emissions national statistics: 2005-2019 (Date of Publication 24 June 2021)

¹²adaptive-investment-report.pdf (nottinghamshire.gov.uk)

2021 data from the Department for Energy Security & net zero informs the focus of the County Council by highlighting the priorities for reducing greenhouse gas emissions across Nottinghamshire.^{13/14}



¹³Link to spreadsheet: <https://view.officeapps.live.com/op/view.aspx?src=https%3A%2F%2Fassets.publishing.service.gov.uk%2Fmedia%2F64a67b3a4dd8b3000f7fa546%2F2005-21-uk-local-authority-ghg-emissions-update-060723.xlsx&wdOrigin=BROWSELINK>

¹⁴Department for Energy Security & Net-zero. UK local authority and regional greenhouse gas emissions national statistics: 2005-2021. (Date of publication 29 June 2023).

Climate change in Nottinghamshire

Climate change is already resulting in warmer and wetter winters, hotter and drier summers, and more frequent and intense weather extremes. From the flooding caused by Storm Babet and Storm Henk in 2023, to the record-breaking heatwave and wildfires in 2022. These weather events have resulted in widespread disruption and risk to residents and businesses.

Equally, our reliance on fossil fuels continues to exacerbate numerous public health issues that net zero measures directly alleviate. When these fossil fuels are sourced beyond Britain's shorelines, we expand our collective carbon footprint through their transportation.



Environment impacts¹⁵

- **Widespread flooding:** Resulting in disruption and degradation to our natural landscapes and built environment. For example, through damage to our infrastructure and places, to the pollution of our land and rivers
- **Heatwaves, wildfires, and drought:** These can add to existing strains on our wildlife and people through soil and crop damage to subsequent food and water shortages
- **Reduced resilience:** All of this harms the potential for our ecosystems to recover by affecting the natural regulatory systems that would otherwise provide protection against extreme weather conditions and support biodiversity.



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Socioeconomic impacts¹⁶

- **Reduced growth prospects:** Economic detriment to our homes, businesses, assets, and places, alongside disruption to travel and supply chains. This can result in a loss of income and a drop in productivity levels. All of this could have a negative impact on Nottinghamshire's ability to attract investment and grow its economy
- **Worsening personal economic security:** Our over-dependency on fossil fuels and the international market has exacerbated recent inflationary pressures on the cost of fuel, food, and energy. These pressures affect our residents and businesses by making the cost-of-living crisis deeper and more difficult to recover from. Likewise, disruption and damage to our economy and places may affect the labour market through unemployment and displacement.
- **Pressure on the state:** Economic pressures add to the significant burden already facing our public services, including health, care, and Government in general. The less prepared we are to mitigate and adapt to climate change, the higher the financial burden will be on our communities and local businesses.



Health and Wellbeing impacts¹⁷

- **The physical and mental health of residents:** Through injuries, trauma, cold- and heat-related deaths, to health hazards caused by a reliance on fossil fuels – such as asthma and cardiovascular disease. Infants and children are particularly vulnerable to the health impacts of poor air quality related to fossil fuel vehicle use. Previous estimates indicate that around 450 deaths per year in Nottinghamshire are attributable to human-made air pollution¹⁸.
- **Services and supplies:** From reduced pollination levels affecting food availability and food inflation, to the livelihood loss and supply chain disruption caused by damaged crop yields. Climate change can add to new pressures facing our health and care services, including exacerbating poverty and inequality levels.
- **Poverty and inequality:** Climate change is set to exacerbate existing poverty and inequality levels, with those belonging to more vulnerable groups in our society being less able to adapt to changing circumstances or remain resilient under financial strain. Such groups often have lower carbon footprints themselves but are worst affected by the carbon emissions of others. Climate change on a global scale may lead to conflict and forced

¹⁵See for more environmental impacts: <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/media/zatauwcmm/adaptive-investment-report.pdf>

¹⁶See for more socioeconomic impacts: <https://www.lse.ac.uk/granthaminstitute/publication/what-will-climate-change-cost-the-uk/> and <https://www.bankofengland.co.uk/quarterly-bulletin/2022/2022-q4/climate-change-possible-macroeconomic-implications>

¹⁷See for more health and wellbeing impacts: <https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/659ff6a93308d200131f8e78/HECC-report-2023-overview.pdf>

¹⁸Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Air Quality Strategy: <https://committees.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/documents/s107973/Notts%20AQ%20Strategy%202020%20FINALv1.0.pdf>

Working with others

This Net-Zero Framework provides a joint-up, top-level approach detailing the County Council's significant role in spearheading the transition to a net-zero Nottinghamshire.

The County Council cannot accomplish this in isolation. Tackling the effects and impacts of climate change requires collaboration with our key partners within and surrounding Nottinghamshire. Only through collaboration can we maximise the co-benefits of climate action.

This document is the product of the joint effort of our climate change, public health, and economic development teams, alongside the continued engagement with the County Council's key partners and stakeholders. Our collaborative approach underpins this framework.

This framework has been created for:

Local Authorities and Key Partners

This framework aims to foster collaboration and alignment among local authorities and their key partners, allowing for the sharing of best practices, resources, and expertise in achieving our collective net-zero ambition.

Looking ahead, the establishment of the East Midlands County Combined Authority provides an opportunity for all local authorities across Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire to advance our cooperation towards achieving our net-zero ambition. EMCCA is set to bring in around £4 billion of funding for the region, alongside new devolved powers for transport, skills and adult education, housing, the environment, and economic development¹⁸.

Businesses and Charities

The transition to a net-zero economy requires public-private cooperation to encourage innovation and attract inward investment. Our region's pioneering private sector contributes so much to our collective prosperity. We must continue to work in partnership with our businesses to reap the economic opportunities

of advancements and investments in green technologies and sustainability-focused industries. Nottinghamshire's community and voluntary sector plays a fundamental role in advocating for and advancing positive social and environmental change.

They provide the ground level knowledge that informs and shapes County Council policy.

Third sector organisations are also vital towards strengthening the social fabric in our local communities. This is key to supporting those most detached from the evolving labour market, and the health of those requiring the most support.

Residents and communities

The framework demonstrates our recognition of the climate emergency and its impacts on Nottinghamshire's communities and residents. It also reflects our commitment to mitigating emissions and adapting to climate effects. It communicates the co-benefits of climate action to our communities and aspires to create a sense of empowerment among residents to become a part of our shared journey and vision.

See EMCCA press release: <https://www.eastmidlandsdevolution.co.uk/news/councils-give-green-light-to-4-billion-east-midlands-devolution-deal/>

What is Nottinghamshire doing to achieve Net-Zero?

The framework is our step forward to achieving net zero across Nottinghamshire. Although it lays the foundational stone upon which the County Council's approach and plans will be built, it is essential to recognise the progress and success already contributing to achieving our net zero ambition and the vision for a healthy, prosperous, and green Nottinghamshire.

What are the key themes?

The five themes the County Council will lead with are:

- Communities and wellbeing
- Conservation and nature
- Economy and industry
- Infrastructure and energy
- Transport networks and mobility

These themes encompass the overarching reach of net zero and encapsulate the ambitions articulated within The Nottinghamshire Plan. They demonstrate our clear focus for net zero to critical partners, residents, and businesses. By incorporating these themes, we hope our stakeholders can see they are represented and identify how they can benefit or contribute.



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Theme 1

Communities and wellbeing

Nottinghamshire's strength lies in its communities. We work with communities to protect and improve health and wellbeing, by addressing health inequalities and the impacts of the climate crisis. Strong and healthy communities mean residents can continue to live, work, and grow.

Clean air is essential for good health, environment, and climate. We will work to make positive changes which can also have beneficial effects on travel, being active, reducing traffic and noise, and enabling people to enjoy green spaces. This will be delivered through the Air Quality Strategy for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire 2020-2030¹⁹ and the Making Our Move Strategy¹⁹.

Developing a new Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA) will increase understanding of what the main health protection risks are that climate change poses to health in Nottinghamshire and their likely impact on vulnerable populations and health inequalities.

The County Council is part of the 'Sustainable Food Places' national programme and drives innovation for sustainable and healthy food practices. The Nottinghamshire Food Charter focuses on sustainable food to tackle climate change.

We work with a range of our services, such as school catering and energy management, to help reduce emissions from schools. We are also actively involved in working with local NHS organisations to develop and deliver their net zero plans.

The County Council-backed Local Authorities Energy Partnership²⁰ is engaging with homeowners whose properties are hard to heat and hard to reach, to provide surveys identifying energy-efficiency improvements and support with finding trusted traders to deliver the work. We are also working with Nottinghamshire's District and Borough councils and the Midlands Net Zero Hub, in the delivery of government schemes to address fuel poverty through retrofitting housing.

¹⁹ Making Our Move Strategy:
<https://makingourmove.org.uk/about/making-our-move/>
²⁰ Nottingham Energy Partnership:
<https://www.nottenergy.com/>

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Theme 2

Conservation and nature

Preserving and enhancing Nottinghamshire's natural environment and historical landmarks is crucial.

Our natural and historical treasures are a source of pride and provide spaces to relax, explore, learn and allow nature and people to thrive. Our country parks and historical buildings are a priority for improving the local environment and increasing biodiversity.

Through the Home Energy Advice Team events, we are promoting traditional, low-carbon technologies and providing training for owners, building managers and students in biobased-retrofit installations and carbon-neutral lime technologies at live-site heritage projects.

Nottinghamshire's Local Nature Recovery Strategy will form the basis for delivering the governments legally binding commitments to improve nature across England. We are

identifying sites for tree planting to tackle climate change, increase biodiversity, and expand woodland. The Trees for Climate programme, and schemes such as Miner2Major Landscape Partnership²¹ and Countryside Stewardship, will create semi-woodland landscapes and improve habitats for wildlife. Our provision of Historic Environment Record Information and advice supports the implementation of such environmental projects.

We are delivering natural flood management projects to reduce the risk of flooding across Nottinghamshire through natural processes. As an example, The Burton Joyce project has installed leaky barriers and appropriate planting to create a stream wood introduction. These barriers will reduce high flows while increasing biodiversity through new and advance habitat for wildlife.

²¹ Miner2Major Partnership: <https://miner2major.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/>

Theme 3



Economy and industry

We are focused on Green Growth to achieve the prosperity and sustainability needs of Nottinghamshire. Investment into place, digital access, infrastructure, visitor economy, business growth, skills and talent are all key drivers for this within Nottinghamshire. Working with private, public and third sector to regenerate our local areas, grow our existing businesses and visitor economy, attract capital for sustainable development, digital innovations, and infrastructure, and to attract and retain local talent are all key to achieving economic growth.

Our working partnerships are committed to fostering collaboration and knowledge sharing to drive green industries and economic growth, facilitate sustainable developments, and encourage synergy between the private, public and charity third sectors.

We provide comprehensive support through one-to-one business growth advice and tailored services, offering guidance in business planning, strategy, and marketing, ensuring businesses are well-positioned for sustainable innovation and economic growth.

We assist with funding options to facilitate the implementation of green technologies and eco-friendly practices, while signposting and supporting businesses to navigate regulations and compliance. Furthermore, improvements to our procurement service, have included environmental and climate measures when acquiring goods and services from the market.

Through the national Project Gigabit rollout, Nottinghamshire will deliver high-speed and reliable connectivity to rural communities and businesses that will meet their connectivity needs for decades to come reducing carbon emissions through enabling differing industries to benefit from technology innovations and associated flexible working options.

Furthermore, the economic partnership prioritises skills development in conjunction with education, aiming to enhance the overall workforce and provide employment opportunities for a green economy and place.

Finally, the County Council in its statutory role as the minerals and waste planning authority will seek to ensure that minerals and waste developments minimise their impacts on climate change by considering location, design and operation to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and move towards a low-carbon economy.





Theme 4

Infrastructure and energy

Nottinghamshire requires sufficient resilience for a changing climate, which requires aligned investments into varied infrastructures to enable our places to address our energy security, transport decarbonisation, biodiversity, green homes, and flood resilience challenges. Adapting our places to the effects of climate change and reducing the impact to residents and businesses, while mitigating emissions, remains critical to deliver better outcomes for our environment, economy, and people.

Climate change and the built environment are a key focus. Updating the Nottinghamshire spatial planning and health framework will ensure planning and health practitioners are critical in considerations for climate change in-built environment assessments and decisions. The framework includes a rapid health impact assessment matrix which includes indicators such as minimising the use of resources, and sustainable designs.

As a regional partner to the local area energy planning, we will evaluate and utilise a data-driven, whole system approach on how to decarbonise the entire energy system at least cost, across electricity, gas, heat and transport,

down the supply chains from energy generation to distribution and consumption in homes and businesses, and across systems.

As a lead local flood authority, we are taking action to manage local flood risks and improve the resilience of the county in response to the increasing frequency and devastating impacts of flooding on communities. This includes developing and delivering flood risk schemes, collaborating with stakeholders, fostering community resilience, and adapting action plans to future climate changes.

We are also focused on identifying greener, less flood-susceptible alternatives to current energy and biodiversity infrastructure and to promote more sustainable and low-carbon building skills.

We are committed to reducing household waste and increasing recycling. The 'simpler recycling' proposals contained within England's resources and waste strategy aim to make recycling easier for residents and businesses, resulting in more recycling and reuse and less waste disposal²³ Separate food disposal collections for all households will support energy and fuel generation through waste while reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

²³ See the full response from the UK Government to consultation outcomes here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/consistency-in-household-and-business-recycling-in-england/outcome/government-response>



Theme 5

Transport networks and mobility

Strong transport networks that offer logistical choice to residents and businesses are crucial for inclusive and low carbon mobility. Like the rest of the UK, the transport industry remains a significant contributor to emissions in Nottinghamshire.

We are prioritising sustainable and healthy travel options to reduce emissions. Through expanding and improving public transport, walking and cycling, we hope to improve local transport connections, to make journeys easier while reducing emissions and congestion.


Major schemes to improve roads such as the A614 and A46 will contribute to the reduction of emissions and improve air quality by reducing congestion.

In partnership with the EMCCA, we and the other constituent transport authorities, are developing a local transport plan for the EMCCA region. The plan aims to improve and integrate transport options across Nottinghamshire, Derbyshire, Derby City and Nottingham City, whilst encouraging low-emission and active transport solutions to support local net-zero ambitions.

Nottinghamshire is also committed to delivery of public electric vehicle infrastructure. The development of public on-street electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure will help accelerate/facilitate the take-up of EVs. We are working with several authorities across the East Midlands to secure funding for the provision and delivery of a joined-up local and regional comprehensive EV charging network.



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We will utilise our **sphere of influence** and partnership-working to deliver five key ambitions built upon the County Council's key themes:

- Invest in healthy and strong communities.
- Invest in nature and heritage
- Invest in green economies.
- Invest in sustainable energy and infrastructure.
- Invest in clean transportation

Our themes underpin each key area and align with several United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.



Invest in healthy and strong communities

We will invest in the building blocks of health, allowing our communities to live longer and happier lives. We will empower our communities with the tools and knowledge to harness the benefits of sustainable practices, ensuring equity of approach so that the most vulnerable and in-need groups within our communities are supported to benefit from Net Zero and adapt to climate change impacts.

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



Supporting initiatives which encourage healthy, active, and low-carbon lifestyles.

- Restore and protect Nottinghamshire's active greenspaces, such as parks and sporting facilities; ensuring access to these are inclusive and environmentally positive spaces.
- Continue to create safe and accessible communities for all.
- Make it easier for residents and our commercial businesses to reduce, reuse and recycle.

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES



Improve the energy-efficiency and year-round thermal comfort of our communities.

- Continue our energy security home retrofitting and fuel poverty programme.
- Engage with the communities to take up energy efficient practices.
- Support the self-delivery of community energy generation

Improve access to local, sustainable, and healthy food options.

- Continue to support the delivery of the Nottinghamshire Food Charter.
- Support the work with farmers and landowners to encourage low-carbon practices that produce local, homegrown, farm-to-fork produce.

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Invest in nature and heritage

We place environmental protection at the forefront of our ambition to address climate change. We will harness the potential of nature to develop solutions that will help and adapt to climate impacts. This will aim to protect our ecosystems and restore biodiversity levels, and enhance and sustain Nottinghamshire's beautiful green spaces, heritage and landscapes for future generations to enjoy.



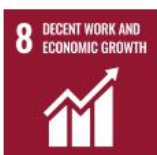
Restore landscapes, ecosystems, biodiversity, heritage assets and plan and implement nature recovery networks.

- Prioritise biodiversity net-gain in future developments.
- Prioritise the delivery of Nottinghamshire's Local Nature Recovery Strategy.
- Continue to protect our wildlife habitats, green spaces, and natural landscapes.
- Conserve and enhance Nottinghamshire's historic environment.
- Increase local people's skills towards nature and conservation and provide more opportunities for engagement with nature and heritage assets.



Invest in green economies

We plan to continue to invest in economic development while preserving natural assets and services that support our well-being and people, industries, nature, climate, and places to thrive. We will continue supporting Nottinghamshire businesses to develop and grow the skills they need for a greener future. Working with our partners, we will transform our digital industries and visitor economy to help new and more inclusive ways of accessing the best of Nottinghamshire. The place will be at the heart of everything we do, and in partnership with private, public and third sectors, our collective assets and infrastructure investments will have a tangible impact on our economy, environment, people, and places.



Modernise our economy to be resilient to the impact of climate.

- Endorse jobs and skills with a stronger positive impact on our environment.
- Prioritise business development focussed on climate positive industries, modern method construction, digital innovations, and circular economy principles.
- Ensure fair and equal access for all to Nottinghamshire, including high streets and major visitor attractions, on sustainable transport.



Explore new and evolving technologies and approaches.

- Champion Nottinghamshire as a leader of digital technologies research, and innovation.
- Enable positive climate impacts and effective use of the newest technologies.
- Procure services and goods for climate and social value benefits.
- Explore investment into green finance and related social impact opportunities.



Invest in sustainable energy and infrastructure

We must continue to prioritise low-carbon and climate-resilient infrastructure for the future, keeping abreast of new and emerging technologies, exploring their adoptability and potential to reduce our regional greenhouse gas emissions and pollution levels. We will improve our energy security and move away from reliance on non-renewable, high carbon emitting fuel sources.



Embed a holistic approach that prioritises sustainable infrastructure.

- Ensure that our planning and infrastructure of all types prioritises climate considerations.
- Adopt a holistic and needs based approach to investment in the full range of infrastructure opportunities.
- Increase the scale and impact of nature-based solutions to address local flooding.
- Support Local Planning Authorities, landowners, and developers to implement new housing development standards at pace and scale.



Assist in the access to affordable, green, and clean energy for all.

- Continue to improve the energy efficiency and sustainability of Nottinghamshire assets.
- Prioritise the local area energy planning for Nottinghamshire.
- Support the generation and provision of appropriate renewable energy across the county.



Invest in clean transportation

We will continue to promote low-carbon methods of transportation for public and private use, while improving connectivity and access to those with the greatest need. We will endorse alternative fuels and advanced technologies to create a more efficient and inclusive transport system.



Improve the impact of our local travel and transport.

- Encouraging our local people to adopt active travel.
- Continue to promote the use and availability of public transport.
- Continue to deliver the local electric vehicle Infrastructure strategy across the County.
- Continue to deliver the local bus improvement strategy across the County.
- Continue to develop the Local Transport Plan with Nottingham City, Derbyshire, and Derby City
- Support projects and initiatives that increase independence and reduce reliance on fossil fuel travel modes.
- Ensure our transport is well-integrated to all so that public transport is the overall first choice for our residents and businesses.
- Continue to improve our low carbon transport networks within rural communities.





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REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

RESPONSE TO FULL COUNCIL MOTION – SUPPORT FOR FORMER WILKO STAFF IN NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide an update on the support provided by the Council for employees affected by the closure of Wilko, following a motion to Full Council.

Background

Policy background

2. Employment and skills are a key ambition of the **Nottinghamshire Plan** which is focused on building the skills that help people get good jobs. We need a skilled workforce that and increasing the number of jobs within the economy and ensuring that businesses can access the skilled workers they need, both now and in the future is a priority. Within this ambition, there are specific targets to “Use our position as a major employer to create training and development opportunities” and “Help adults to learn new skills”.
3. The **Economic Transition Plan** (ETP) also makes specific reference to supporting people to access employment and skills and enable more residents to secure employment status and/or progress into better paid jobs. The ETP sets three priorities within the People theme:
 - Access to employment and skills for all
 - Skills for the future – building the skills employers seek
 - Influencing partners, policy and programmes

History

4. In summer 2023, Wilko announced that it would be closing its 400 stores nationwide. It was widely reported at the time that this would mean the closure of the Wilkos Headquarters in Bassetlaw, where it also operated a distribution centre, and the 15 stores across Nottinghamshire, which could result in over 2,000 people losing their jobs.
5. In September 2023, a motion was taken to Full Council on this matter. At this meeting, it was resolved to:
 - 1) Continue to use our position as a major employer in the County, to establish links to support the significant number of ex-Wilko staff in Nottinghamshire with transferrable skills;
 - 2) Continue taking additional steps to connect ex-Wilko staff to existing opportunities and to offer opportunities to learn new skills, with the view to joining our valued workforce;
 - 3) Offer support to help ex-Wilko employees transition into new opportunities successfully and facilitate connections with businesses and stakeholders seeking candidates with similar skill sets;
 - 4) Measure additional actions taken in order to evidence and demonstrate impact.

Information

Redundancies events

6. Since the announcement in Summer 2023, the Council's Growth, Infrastructure and Development, HR and Welfare teams collaborated closely and rapidly with Bassetlaw District Council in their efforts to assist affected employees through redundancy support events (especially as Worksop is the location of the headquarters) offering access to employment, skills development options and crisis support programs. Initially this was focused on attending and promoting the Redundancy Events:
 - **14th September 2023** – event at the Bridge Street Skills Hub in Worksop, offering access to employment, skills development options and crisis support programs. Members of staff from economic development, HR and skills and employment were present to share the wide range of current opportunities, as well as talking through the range of apprenticeships and sign posting people to opportunities across Nottinghamshire. Representatives from the Council's recruitment team and social welfare programs like Notts Help Yourself were also in attendance. Over 60 organisations were present including support agencies, businesses and local authorities, offering potential job opportunities to 300+ jobseekers, primarily those affected by the Wilko closure.
 - **28th September 2023** – event at the Bridge Street Skills Hub in Worksop where Nottinghamshire County Council representatives from business, HR, adult reablement, and children's services were on hand with internal vacancies and access to wider opportunities. Over 40 exhibitors showcased job opportunities.
7. The Council's "Nottinghamshire Opportunities" employment and skills platform provide a useful tool for people to access a range of training courses and search through current job vacancies. After the first redundancy event, there were 323 users of the platform (which is around the same number of visits the platform received in all of February). The most popular search terms entered into the search engine were "part-time", "retail", "warehouse" and "logistics". The number of users on the "Nottinghamshire Opportunities" website after the second event was slightly less at 236 users, but still significant spike of users from usual.
8. Any affected staff that attended the events were offered support as required in upskilling them for the role they were interested in undertaking. This involved a range of methods from on-the-job training, our range of learning and development courses and opportunities as well as apprenticeships at various levels, as appropriate. Inspire, our adult community learning provider, were also present at the Worksop events, along with supporting at specific events from stores in Beeston and Kimberley.
9. Colleagues from HR were at both events with details on the current vacancies available at the County Council. There was a chance to discuss the jobs on the day or people could take away information through leaflets/QR codes. People's details were registered on the day, if they had a specific role they are interested in, wanted further information or to be kept in contact with about future opportunities.
10. Futures the Council's jointly owned employment and skills provider who hold the contract in the East Midlands for the National Careers Service also attended the events to provide information, advice and guidance.

Other support provided

11. The Growth, Infrastructure, and Development group had partnered with local businesses to promote their attendance at redundancy support events. We also collaborated with small and medium businesses to highlight opportunities for hiring former Wilkos staff. Referral companies included Amazon, GlenAir, Mayborn Group, Abacus Lighting, and Centre Parcs to name a few. Additionally, we worked with the DWP advisers' team leadership to provide support with business engagement. These efforts aimed to facilitate smooth transitions for employees facing redundancy and support continued economic growth within the community.
12. Officers have also been on hand to support the District and Borough councils on the re-use of the Wilko buildings. The re-use of these buildings was one way to reduce the amount of job losses, with the expectation that any new business would require staff. Of the 10 stores across Nottinghamshire, here is some further details of their closures and if they have been reopened:
- **Arnold** (closed 8th Oct) – reopened as B&M
 - **Beeston** (closed 21 Sept) – still closed
 - **Carlton Square** (closed 21 Sept) – currently closed to allow Farmfoods to expand from their adjoining premise.
 - **Hucknall** (closed 8th Oct) – due to be reopened by The Range (15th March)
 - **Kimberley** (closed 19 Sept) – reopened as Poundland
 - **Mansfield** (closed 19 Sept) – still closed, but with good interest being shown
 - **Newark** (closed 27th Sept) – still closed, but with good interest being shown
 - **Retford** (closed 29 Sept) – still closed, but with some interest being shown
 - **Sutton in Ashfield** (closed 27th Sept) – still closed, some early interest being shown
 - **Worksop** (closed 27th Sept) – reopened as Poundland
13. Work continues to support the Districts and Boroughs Councils where the stores remain closed and the staff who are still looking for work. This includes working with other businesses and stakeholders in the locality who may be requiring similar roles, through advertising the roles on “Nottinghamshire Opportunities” platform.
14. The Headquarters and large distribution centre (1.1m sq.ft in size) in Worksop has also been re-used with DHL now operating out of the building since December 2023. Whilst Inspire had offered support for the individuals affected, this was largely not required, as the majority of the staff were re-employed by DHL.
15. Local Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) colleagues have confirmed that there has been a 68% return to work for those staff affected and in addition to this figure others that have left and do not want another job.

Summary of activity carried out in response to the motion

16. There has been considerable support provided to those employees affected by the closure of Wilko, either directly at the redundancy support events, accessing the “Nottinghamshire Opportunities” platform for jobs and training, linking in with the training and support Inspire can provide, linking in with our business advisers or indirectly with the buildings being re-used. This is a summary of the work completed under each of the motions agreed by Full Council in September 2023:
- 1) **Continue to use our position as a major employer in the County, to establish links to support the significant number of ex-Wilko staff in Nottinghamshire with transferrable skills.**

17. HR Colleagues have been present at the main redundancy support events to advertise the vacancies at the County Council and have been in contact with those who asked for further information or to be a contact database.

2) Continue taking additional steps to connect ex-Wilko staff to existing opportunities and to offer opportunities to learn new skills, with the view to joining our valued workforce.

18. The Growth, Infrastructure and Development group have been working with their colleagues in the District and Boroughs to support those made redundant to either find other work or further training, either through the "Nottinghamshire Opportunities" platform, or through the targeted support that Inspire have been providing.

3) Offer support to help ex-Wilko employees transition into new opportunities successfully and facilitate connections with businesses and stakeholders seeking candidates with similar skill sets.

19. The Growth, Infrastructure and Development group have linked in with local businesses to encourage them to attend the redundancy support events. Furthermore, our business advisors working with small, medium businesses in the area, are flagging the opportunities to recruit Wilko staff (especially those in HQs as skilled work force).

4) Measure additional actions taken in order to evidence and demonstrate impact.

20. These have been monitored wherever possible.

Financial Implications

21. There are no financial implications from this decision, as this is covered by existing revenue budgets.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Overview Committee:

- 1) Notes the work that has been carried out to date to offer support to former Wilko staff across Nottinghamshire.
- 2) Notes the continuing support that is being provided to those residents seeking reemployment and/or training to be work ready.
- 3) Considers how members would like to receive further information on the work being carried out to further develop the support offered to those residents seeking reemployment and/or training to be work ready.

Councillor Boyd Elliott

Chairman, Overview Committee

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Constitutional Comments (LPW 04/03/2024)

The recommendations fall within the remit of the Overview Committee by virtue of its terms of reference

Finance Comments (PAA29 04/03/2024)

The financial implications are set out in paragraph 19 of the report. Any costs of the work to support ex-Wilko staff will be met from existing revenue budgets. There are no additional financial implications for the Council arising directly from the report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All

**REPORT OF SERVICE DIRECTOR, CUSTOMERS, GOVERNANCE AND
EMPLOYEES****SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMMES****Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider the Committee's work programme.
2. To note the work programmes of the three select committees.

Information

3. The attached Overview Committee work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning.
4. Overview Committee maintains an oversight of ongoing and planned work of the three select committees. The attached work programmes of the three select committees assist the management of the committees' agendas, the scheduling of the committees' business and forward planning.
5. The work programmes have been developed using suggestions submitted by committee members, the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and senior officers and has been approved by the Overview Committee. The work programme will be reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting, where any member of the committee will be able to suggest items for possible inclusion.

Other Options Considered

6. None

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

7. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme and to maintain an Overview of the work of the three select committees.

Statutory and Policy Implications

8. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, data protection and information governance, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, smarter working, sustainability and the environment and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

9. None

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the Overview Committee work programme be noted.
- 2) That the work programmes of the three select committees be noted.
- 3) That committee members make any further suggestions for consideration by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for inclusion on the work programme, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and senior officers, and subject to the required approval by the Chairman of Overview Committee.

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Constitutional Comments (HD)

10. The Committee has the authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (NS)

11. There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

- None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| 7 September 2023 | Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 | | To approve the draft Scrutiny Annual Report to be forwarded to Council for consideration. | That the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 be endorsed and referred to Full Council for consideration. |
| | Healthy Families Programme – Task and Finish Review Scope | | To consider the recommendation from Cabinet: “That Overview Committee be requested to establish a joint scrutiny working group comprised of various members of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, the Children and Families Select Committee and the Health Scrutiny Committee and to report back Overview Committee. Any recommendations from Overview Committee will then be reported back for consideration before any final decision is taken by Cabinet.” | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That a joint scrutiny working group be established on the re-commissioning of the Nottinghamshire Healthy Families Programme. 2. That the membership of the review group comprises the Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, the Chairman of the Children and Families Select Committee and the Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee, plus one other member from each committee. with the overall membership of the group includes members from all political groups. 3. That a report detailing the findings of the review group be submitted to a future meeting of the Overview Committee for consideration. 4. That the proposed scope for review of the re-commissioning of the Nottinghamshire Healthy Families Programme be approved. |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - UPDATED: 31 JANUARY 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| 7 September 2023 | Scrutiny Work Programmes | | <p>To approve the Work Programmes of the Overview Committee and the three Select Committees for 2023/24.</p> <p>Page 92 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Overview Committee work programme be approved. 2. That the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee work programme be approved. That the Children and Families Select Committee work programme be approved. 3. That the Place Select Committee work programme be approved. 4. That committee members make any further suggestions for consideration by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for inclusion on the Overview Work Programme, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and senior officers, subject to the required approval by the Chairman of Overview Committee. |

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| 23 November 2023 | Financial Monitoring Report Period 5 2023-24 | Cabinet Member - Finance | To receive the latest monitoring report on the 2023/24 Budget. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the significant challenges presented by the financial landscape the Council operates within be noted. 2. That the process in establishing the Council's budget for 2024/25. |
| | Budget Update | Cabinet Member - Finance | To provide an update to Overview Committee on the budget development process for 2024/25. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the significant challenges presented by the financial landscape the Council operates within be noted. 2. That the process in establishing the Council's budget for 2024/25 be noted. |
| | Price Review of Charges Made for School Meals - Call-in Request | | To advise Overview Committee of two call-in requests that were submitted in relation to the decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Communities on the Price Review of Charges made for School Meals. | That the call-in requests that were made in relation to the decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Communities on the Price Review of Charges made for School Meals and the reasons of the Monitoring Officer for refusing these requests be noted. |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - UPDATED: 31 JANUARY 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| 25 January 2024 | Budget 2024/25 | Cabinet Member - Finance | To consider and make recommendations to Cabinet on the final draft budget for 2024/25. | That the comments made by members during their consideration of the development of the 2024/25 Annual Budget Report and the Medium-Term Financial Strategy be submitted to Cabinet for their consideration. |
| | Nottinghamshire Plan – Annual Delivery Plan 2024/25 | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member - Transformation | To receive and consider the Nottinghamshire Plan – Annual Delivery Plan 2024/25. | That the progress to date with regards to the development of the Annual Delivery Plan 2024/25 be noted. |
| | Healthy Families Programme – Task and Finish Review | | To consider the findings of the joint review of the re-commissioning of the Healthy Families Programme carried out jointly by members of the ASC&PH and C&F Select Committees and the Health Scrutiny Committee. | That the recommendations from the joint scrutiny review of the recommissioned Healthy Families Programme, as detailed in the report, be endorsed, and referred to Cabinet for consideration. |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - UPDATED: 31 JANUARY 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|---------------|----------------------------|---|--|-------------|
| 14 March 2024 | Climate Change | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | To receive a progress update on the Council's activities responding to the challenges of climate change and the Council's response to the climate emergency declaration in May 2021. | |
| | Net Zero Framework | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment /Economic Development and Asset Management | To scrutinise the framework that will enable all net zero activities to be coordinated and prioritised. | |
| | Support for ex-Wilko staff | | To receive a report on activities that have been implemented as a result of the motion passed at Full Council on 28 September 2023 | |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - UPDATED: 31 JANUARY 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|--------------|--|---|--|-------------|
| 9 May 2024 | Nottinghamshire Plan | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member - Transformation | To receive a progress report on the delivery of the Nottinghamshire Plan. | |
| | Financial Monitoring Report | Cabinet Member - Finance | To receive the latest monitoring report on the 2024/25 Budget. | |
| | Progress report on the Council's Transformation activity | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member - Transformation | At the January 2023 meeting as part of their consideration of the Budget Update and Medium Term Financial Strategy Proposals, members sought further information around the delivery and monitoring of the Council's transformational activity. At the meeting the Deputy Leader agreed to provide an update on progress with transformation activity to a future meeting of Overview Committee. | |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - UPDATED: 31 JANUARY 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|--------------|---|---|---|-------------|
| 9 May 2024 | <p>Budget Consultation Development/</p> <p>Progress report on the recommendations made from the review of Council Consultations and Resident Engagement</p> | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member - Transformation | <p>At the January 2023 meeting as part of their consideration of the Budget Update and Medium Term Financial Strategy Proposals, members requested that Overview Committee should receive a report at a future meeting to enable them to identify what had worked well in the running of the survey and how this success could be built on further in the delivery of the 2024 survey. At the meeting the Deputy Leader agreed to attend a future meeting to present a progress report.</p> <p>Also to receive a progress report from the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Transformation on the recommendations made from the review of Council Consultations and Resident Engagement.</p> | |
| | Outcomes of the review of Cost of Living | | <p>To consider the outcomes of the task and finish review around Cost of Living pressures.</p> <p>Page 97 of 154</p> | |

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose/Outcomes | Resolutions |
|--------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------|
| 4 July 2024 | Financial Monitoring Report | Cabinet Member - Finance | To receive the latest monitoring report on the 2024/25 Budget. | |
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Items pending scheduling or removal.

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Performance reporting and monitoring procedures for Council companies and Category 'A' bodies | Cabinet Member - Finance | To review the reporting procedures surrounding Council companies and Category 'A' bodies. | Is scheduled to be considered by Governance and Ethics Committee. To be considered for scheduling once the item has been to Governance and Ethics Committee. |

Reviews

| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--|---|
| April 2023 | Cost of Living | All | To investigate how the Council can (taking into consideration its powers, budget and existing budget commitments required for service delivery) potentially mitigate the impact of the cost-of-living crisis on families and individuals in Nottinghamshire. | Scope approved at March 2023 meeting. Review activity currently being carried out. |

| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| TBC | Blue Badge applications and processing | Cabinet Member – Finance and Resources. | To review the processes around blue badge applications and processing. | |

| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| October 2024 | Digital Strategy | Cabinet Member - Transformation | To review the implementation of the Council's new Digital Strategy. | |

| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| TBC | Recruitment and retention of Council staff | Cabinet Member - Personnel | To examine how the Council's Human Resource policies impact on the recruitment and retention of staff and to examine how activity in this area can be optimised to support the delivery of the Councils priorities and Council services by the recruitment and retention of high-quality staff. | |

Items to be scheduled for 2023/24

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
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| Progress report on the recommendations made from the review of Council office buildings | Cabinet Member for Economic Development and Asset Management | To receive a progress report from the Cabinet Member for Economic Management and Asset Management on the recommendations made from the review of Council office buildings. | To be scheduled during 2023/24 |
| Nottinghamshire Plan Performance Monitoring | Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member – Transformation | To receive a report on current performance against Council Plan Priorities as detailed in the Nottinghamshire Plan. | To be scheduled during 2023/24 |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – ADULT SOCIAL CARE AND PUBLIC HEALTH SELECT COMMITTEE: UPDATED 4 MARCH 2024

| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose | Resolutions |
|-------------------|------------------------|--|---|--|
| 11 September 2023 | The Social Care Market | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health | <p>Resolved at October 2022 meeting:</p> <p>“That a further report on Social Care Market Pressures be brought to the September 2023 meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee to provide members with a progress report on the activities being carried out and on their impact.”</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the Social Care Market be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That information on the outcomes of “The Big Conversation” be circulated to members of the committee. b) That further information on the development and use of technological care solutions be circulated to members of the committee. c) That a further progress report on the Social Care Market be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, with a focus and at a date to be agreed by the Chairman. d) That a report on the Council’s work to support carers be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman. |

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| | Health checks | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health | To review the current provision of health checks to enable scrutiny of how outcomes could be improved | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the NHS Health Check Programme be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That further consideration should be given on how the uptake of invitations to the NHS Health Check Programme could be increased, especially in areas of Nottinghamshire that are more deprived. b) That further work should be carried out to investigate digital opportunities for the delivery of the NHS Health Check Programme. c) That a further report on the delivery of the NHS Health Check Programme that covers the issues as detailed at a) and (b) above, be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman. |
| | Performance, finance and risk update | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health | <p>To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial situation.</p> <p>To agree how the committee would like to receive and monitor this information in the future.</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the Adult Social Care and Public Health Performance, Risks and Financial Position – Quarter 1 2023-4 be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That a further report on Adult Social Care and Public Health Performance, Risks and Financial Position be brought to the December 2023 meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee. b) That a task and finish review takes place to investigate the impact and effectiveness of the preventative work that takes place with schools around smoking and vaping. |

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| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose | Resolutions |
|------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| 4 December 2023 | Nottinghamshire Adults Safeguarding Board Annual Report 2022/23 and Plan | | <p>To receive the Nottinghamshire Adults Safeguarding Board Annual Report and Plan.</p> <p>To be presented by the Independent Chair with other partners also being invited to attend.</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board - Annual Report 2022-23 be noted. 2. That the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee continue to review the work of the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Adults Board by receiving and considering its Annual Report each year. |
| | Public Health Outcome Framework Indicators | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | <p>To support the Committee in prioritising areas of public health work for development or scrutiny.</p> <p>Page 107 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the factors as detailed on pages six and seven of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy which have the greatest impact on the health and wellbeing of the population, and the impacts of any weakness or omissions in these building blocks in terms of reducing healthy life expectancy and increasing inequalities, be noted. 2. That it be noted that the areas of work required to address the minority of Public Health outcomes (in the four overarching ambitions of the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy) where Nottinghamshire is worse than the England average are largely identified in the Nottinghamshire Plan and in the Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. 3. That further information on the regulation of vaping in enclosed public spaces be circulated to the members of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee. 4. That the following areas of interest be agreed as areas that would benefit from further and more detailed consideration by the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee: |

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| | | | | <p>a) Outcomes and inequalities in women's and children's health; this will include factors that influence life expectancy and healthy life expectancy.</p> <p>b) Substance use, including the harms of drugs and alcohol and those experiencing severe multiple disadvantage.</p> <p>c) That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee, in consultation with officers, consider the most appropriate approach for the committee to carry out further work around vaccine uptake.</p> |
| | Performance, finance and risk update | <p>Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care</p> <p>Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health</p> | To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial situation. | <p>1. That the report be noted.</p> <p>2. That a further report on Adult Social Care and Public Health Performance, Risks and Financial Position be brought to the March 2024 meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee.</p> <p>3. That all future reports to the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee display statistics as whole numbers rather than as percentages.</p> |

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| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose | Resolutions |
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| 4 March 2024 | Discharge to Assess | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care | <p>Resolved at June 2023 meeting:</p> <p>That a further progress report on the implementation of Discharge to Assess Model and the application of the Discharge to Assess Grant be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman of the Committee.</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on Discharge to Assess be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That further information and data on the time being taken to discharge patients from hospitals be circulated to the members of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee. b) That further information and data on the number of patients in hospital waiting for the provision of Adult Social Care Services be circulated to the members of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee. c) That the Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, in consultation with the Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee considers whether any further scrutiny activity on Discharge to Assess is required. |
| | Mental Health Services and support within ASC&PH | <p>Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care</p> <p>Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health</p> | <p>Page 109 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the work of the Council's Approved Mental Health Professionals be commended. 3. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on Adult Mental Health Services and support delivered or commissioned by Adult Social Care and Public Health be progressed: |

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| | | | | <p>a) That Adult Mental Health Services and support delivered or commissioned by Adult Social Care and Public Health be considered for inclusion in the 2024/25 Work Programme.</p> <p>b) That further information and data on the demographics of those accessing Adult Mental Health Services and support delivered or commissioned by Adult Social Care and Public Health be circulated to members of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee.</p> |
| | Performance, finance and risk update | <p>Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care</p> <p>Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health</p> | To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial situation. | <p>1. That the report be noted.</p> <p>2. That a further report on Adult Social Care and Public Health Performance, Risks and Financial Position be brought to the June 2024 meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee.</p> |

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| Meeting Date | Agenda Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose | Resolutions |
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| 3 June 2024 | Suicide Prevention | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | | |
| | Progress and implementation of Prevention approach | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care | To enable scrutiny of the success of the prevention approach and offer in Adult Social Care. | |
| | All-Age Carers Strategy/Support for Carers | Cabinet Member for Children Social Care Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care | To review progress after the strategy has been in place for one year. Children and Families Select Committee Members to be invited. Also resolved at September 2023 meeting: That a report on the Council's work to support carers be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman. | |
| | Performance, finance and risk update | Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial situation. Page 111 of 154 | |

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Items pending scheduling or removal

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
|---|--|---|--|
| Public Health – Community facing activities (including Community Health and Wellbeing Champions) | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | | To be considered for scheduling |
| E-cigarettes/vaping | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | Resolved at March 2023 meeting: That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee, in consultation with officers, consider the most appropriate approach for the committee to carry out further work around vaping and tobacco control. | To be considered for scheduling and for how this issue can be considered by members. |
| Impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on public health | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | Resolved December 2022 “That the following areas of interest be agreed as areas that would benefit from further and more detailed consideration by the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee: the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on public health” | To be scheduled for a committee meeting or considered to be the topic for a review during 2023/24. |
| Substance Misuse | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | To scrutinise activities around substance misuse. | To be considered for scheduling |
| Nottinghamshire’s Cost of Care Reports, Adult Social Care Market Sustainability Plan, Market Position Statement and Fee Uplifts | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care | To receive a progress report a year after Cabinet’s approval of the recommendations. | To be scheduled |

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| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
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| NHS Health Check Programme | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | <p>Resolved at September 2023 meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) That further consideration should be given on how the uptake of invitations to the NHS Health Check Programme could be increased, especially in areas of Nottinghamshire that are more deprived. b) That further work should be carried out to investigate digital opportunities for the delivery of the NHS Health Check Programme. c) That a further report on the delivery of the NHS Health Check Programme that covers the issues as detailed at a) and (b) above, be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman | To be scheduled |
| Public Health Outcome Framework Indicators | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | <p>Resolved at December 2023 meeting:</p> <p>That the following areas of interest be agreed as areas that would benefit from further and more detailed consideration by the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Outcomes and inequalities in women's and children's health; this will include factors that influence life expectancy and healthy life expectancy. b) Substance use, including the harms of drugs and alcohol and those experiencing severe multiple disadvantage. <p>That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee, in consultation with officers, consider the most appropriate approach for the committee to carry out further work around vaccine uptake.</p> | To be scheduled for a committee meeting or considered to be the topic for a review during 2023/24. |

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Reviews

| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| September/ October 2023 | Day Opportunities Strategy | Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care | <p>Resolved at March 2023 meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Committee, in consultation with officers, considers the most appropriate approach for members of the committee to receive further information and to carry out further scrutiny work on: ii. how the Day Opportunities Strategy will be delivered in a way that ensures equity of access to support for service users across Nottinghamshire. iii. the Implementation Plan that will support the delivery of the objectives of the Day Opportunities Strategy. iv. the processes (including the use of benchmarking information) that will be in place for measuring the success of the Day Opportunities Strategy. v. the use and role of buildings in delivering the objectives of the Day Opportunities Strategy. | <p>Setting up of review group approved at June 2023 meeting.</p> <p>Scope created. Work to be carried out Spring 2024</p> |

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| | | | <div>vi. the outcomes of the consultation activity that will be carried out with people who have lived experience of the implementation of the Day Opportunities Strategy and how this will be used to review and develop the service model.</div> | |
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| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| TBC | <p>Transition of service users from Children and Young People's Services to Adult Social Care Services</p> <p>Joint item with Children and Families Select Committee</p> | <p>Cabinet Member – Children Social Care</p> <p>Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care</p> | <p>To examine the current procedures surrounding the transition of service users from Children's to Adult Services.</p> <p>To make recommendations on how procedures could be developed to ensure the best possible transition for each service user.</p> | |

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| Project Start Date | Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Purpose of Review | Current Status and activity |
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| TBC | Preventative work around smoking and vaping. | Cabinet Member – Children Social Care Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | Resolved at the September 2023 meeting: That a task and finish review takes place to investigate the impact and effectiveness of the | |

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Items for information briefings for committee members

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
|---|--|---|---|
| Adult Social Care Reform | Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care | To gain an understanding of how the implementation of the Adult Social Care reforms - set out in People at the Heart of Care - will impact on the Council's delivery of Adult Care Services and on people living in Nottinghamshire. | To be delivered before 31/03/24 |
| Sector-led improvement, Local Authority Self-Assessment and Information Return (LASAIR) and assurance | Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care | To receive a briefing on the process and outcomes of local sector-led improvement in Adult Social Care and the department's self-assessment, development of a quality assurance framework and preparation for future inspection by the Care Quality Commission. | To be delivered before 31/03/24 |
| Cost of Living Programmes | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | To receive a briefing on the uptake and impact of the Cost-of-Living initiatives approved in November 2022 using Public Health Reserves. | To be circulated January/February 2024. |
| Regulation and Monitoring Processes for commissioned services | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care | Raised at Governance and Ethics Committee in January 2024 after considering the outcome of a complaint investigated by the Local Government and Social Care Ombudsman. | Briefing to be arranged to inform future scrutiny work. |

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Items to be scheduled during 2024/25

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
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| Day Opportunities Strategy | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health | Resolved at March 2023 meeting: That a further progress report on the implementation of the Day Opportunities Strategy be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman of the Committee. | To be scheduled during 2024/25 |
| Social Care Market | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health | Resolved at September 2023 meeting: That a further progress report on the Social Care Market be brought to a future meeting of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, with a focus and at a date to be agreed by the Chairman. (Focus on recruitment and retention) | To be scheduled during 2024/25 |
| Healthy Families Programme | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | To receive a progress report once the recommissioned service has been in place for one year. | To be scheduled during 2024/25 |
| Mental Health Services and support within ASC&PH | Cabinet Member – Adult Social Care and Public Health/Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | Resolved at March 2024 meeting: That Adult Mental Health Services and support delivered or commissioned by Adult Social Care and Public Health be considered for inclusion in the 2024/25 Work Programme. | To be considered for scheduling |
| Integrated Sexual Health Service | Cabinet Member - Communities and Public Health | Resolved at March 2024 meeting: That the recommissioned Integrated Sexual Health Service be considered for inclusion in the 2024/25 Work Programme. | |

WORK PROGRAMME 2023/24 – CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SELECT COMMITTEE: UPDATED 5 FEBRUARY 2024

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| 16 October 2023 | Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NSCP) – Progress Report on Priorities and Annual Report 2022/23 | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>Resolved at the December 2022 meeting:</p> <p>That the Independent Scrutineer of the NSCP attends the June 2023 meeting of the Committee to present a report on the current activities of the NSCP and on the progress being made towards its strategic priorities.</p> <p>To receive the NSCP Annual Report.</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Partnership's 2022/23 Annual Report be noted. 2) That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the Annual Report 2022/23 be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) that the latest report on the on the work being carried out across Nottinghamshire in relation to child exploitation be circulated to the members of the Children and Families Select Committee. b) that the review of safeguarding practice in response to events at Harlow Academy be circulated to the members of the Children and Families Select Committee. 3) That the Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Partnership's 2023/24 Annual Report be received at the October 2024 meeting of the Children and Families Select Committee. |

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| | Outcomes and Experiences of Children and Young People with SEND | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>To receive a report on the progress made in implementing improvements to the experiences and outcomes of children and young people with SEND, informed by the priority areas for action and areas for improvement identified during the Ofsted/Care Quality Commission local area review in Jan/Feb 2023, and to incorporate within this report the new requirements arising from the Government response to the SEND Green Paper – the SEND and Alternative Improvement Plan.</p> <p>Page 122 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the report be noted. 2) That a further progress report on the implementation of the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities and Alternative Provision be received at the January 2024 meeting of the Children and Families Select Committee. 3) That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on Partnership progress in improving the experiences and outcomes for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) that further information on the types of needs of children and young people with SEND and/or an EHCP across Nottinghamshire be circulated to the members of the Children and Families Select Committee. b) that information detailing the number of EHCP applications made and the number of EHCPs in place across each of districts and boroughs of Nottinghamshire be circulated to the members of the Children and Families Select Committee. c) that the summary documents that detail the activity carried out at previous Nottinghamshire SEND partnership improvement board meetings be circulated to the members of the Children and Families Select Committee. |
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| | | | | d) that the members of the Children and Families Select Committee receive the summary document that is created detailing the activity of future Nottinghamshire SEND partnership improvement board meetings as soon as they are available. |
| | Pupil Place Planning | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>To receive the response from the Cabinet Member for Children and Families to the resolution made at the March 2023 meeting:</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member, in consultation with officers, gives consideration to how local elected members can be most effectively communicated with and involved with the activity that takes place with academy trusts regarding the pupil place planning.</p> | That the response from the Cabinet Member for Children and Families be noted. |
| | Outcomes of the Review of Education, Health and Care Plans | | To consider the outcomes of the task and finish review of Education, Health and Care Plans. | That the recommendations of the scrutiny task and finish review of Education, Health and Care Plans be endorsed and referred to Cabinet for consideration. |
| | Elective Home Education/Secondary school place planning review scopes | | To approve the scopes for a task and finish review on the revised Elective Home Education Policy and Secondary School Pupil Place Planning | That the proposed scopes for task and finish reviews regarding Elective Home Education and Secondary School Pupil Place Planning be approved. |

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| 5 February 2024 | Provision of Support to Looked After Children Transitioning Out of the Care System | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>To receive the response from the Cabinet Member for Children and Families to the resolution made at the June 2023 meeting:</p> <p>That the Cabinet Member, in consultation with officers, gives further consideration on how more young people could be encouraged to remain in the care of their foster carer post-18, and to the activity that would also be required to ensure that a sufficient number of foster family placements are also maintained and are available for children and young people who are under 18.</p> <p>Also to cover, as detailed in the resolution at the June meeting.</p> <p>That further information be circulated to members of the Committee on the work being carried out with both residential homes and foster carers to support them in ensuring that the children in their care are not potentially criminalised though being referred to the Police unnecessarily in relation to their behaviour.</p> | That the report be noted. |

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| 5 February 2024 | Early Years – Provision of Childcare | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | To make recommendations on how the Council can support the provision of, and access to, affordable and accessible childcare across Nottinghamshire. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the Early Years and Childcare Sector in Nottinghamshire be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. That a progress report be circulated to members of the Children and Families Select Committee after the introduction of Early Years funded childcare places for 15 hours for the two year olds of working parents. b. That a further report on the Early Years and Childcare Sector in Nottinghamshire be received at the January 2025 meeting of the Children and Families Select Committee. |
| | Performance, Finance and Risk Update | <p>Cabinet Member - Children and Families</p> <p>Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities</p> | <p>To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial position.</p> <p>To agree how the Committee would like to receive and monitor this information in the future.</p> <p>Page 125 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That an externally facilitated workshop be arranged for the members of the Children and Families Select Committee with the Cabinet Members for Children and Families and for Education and SEND in order to further develop members understanding around performance indicators relating to children and families. 3. That further reports on the Children and Families Department's performance, risks and financial position be received on a quarterly basis by the Children and Families Select Committee. |

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| 5 February 2024 | Outcomes and Experiences of Children and Young People with SEND – Progress Report | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To receive a report on the progress made in implementing improvements to the experiences and outcomes of children and young people with SEND, informed by the priority areas for action and areas for improvement identified during the Ofsted/Care Quality Commission local area review in Jan/Feb 2023. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That further progress reports on Partnership progress in improving the experiences and outcomes for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities be received at the April and July 2024 meetings of the Children and Families Select Committee. 3. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on Partnership progress in improving the experiences and outcomes for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That further information on the jointly commissioned sensory therapy service be circulated to members of the Children and Families Select Committee. |
| | Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) – Annual Report | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To receive the Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) – Annual Report Page 126 of 154 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the SACRE Annual Reports for 2021/22 and 2022/23 be noted. 2. That the SACRE Annual Report for 2022/23 be received at the January 2025 meeting of the Children and Families Select Committee. 3. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the SACRE |

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| | | | | <p>Annual Reports for 2021/22 and 2022/23 be progressed:</p> <p>a) That further work be carried out through SACRE with the Multi-Academy Trusts regarding their delivery and provision of Religious Education.</p> |
| | Elective Home Education | | <p>To consider the outcomes of the task and finish review of the refreshed Elective Home Education Policy</p> <p>Page 127 of 154</p> | <p>That the Cabinet Member for Education and Special Education Needs and Disabilities (SEND) considers and takes into consideration the findings of the scrutiny carried out by the Children and Families Select Committee when making their decision on the draft Nottinghamshire Elective Home Education Policy 2023.</p> |

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| 15 April 2024 | Sufficiency Strategy for Looked After Children and Care Leavers | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>To examine activity in the delivering of the strategy.</p> <p>Also to consider the Children's Transformation sub-regional approach to fostering.</p> | |
| | Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | <p>Resolved at the June 2023 meeting:</p> <p>That a report on the delivery of HAF be brought to a future meeting of the Committee, with a focus and at a date to be agreed by the Chairman.</p> | |
| | Pupil Place Planning | | <p>To consider the outcomes of the task and finish review of how the Children and Families and Place departments can best work together on projects being implemented to deliver additional school places.</p> | |

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| 15 April 2024 | Outcomes and Experiences of Children and Young People with SEND – Progress Report | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To receive a report on the progress made in implementing improvements to the experiences and outcomes of children and young people with SEND, informed by the priority areas for action and areas for improvement identified during the Ofsted/Care Quality Commission local area review in Jan/Feb 2023. | |
| | Performance, Finance and Risk Update | Cabinet Member - Children and Families Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial position. | |

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| 15 July 2024 | Youth Justice Plan | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | To examine the implementation of the strategy. | |
| | SEND Provision and Sufficiency | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | Resolved at the December 2022 meeting: That a progress report on the provision and delivery of additional specialist educational placements be brought to a future meeting of the Committee. | |
| | Outcomes and Experiences of Children and Young People with SEND – Progress Report | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To receive a report on the progress made in implementing improvements to the experiences and outcomes of children and young people with SEND, informed by the priority areas for action and areas for improvement identified during the Ofsted/Care Quality Commission local area review in Jan/Feb 2023. | |
| | Performance, Finance and Risk Update | Cabinet Member - Children and Families/Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | To provide a progress report on departmental performance, risk and financial position. | |

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| Government Response to the Independent Review of Children's Social Care in England | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | To consider how the proposals align with Nottinghamshire's current transformation plans around children's social care. | To be considered for scheduling |
| Small Schools Sustainability Strategy | Cabinet Member - Education and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities | | To be considered for scheduling |
| Children's Transformation - Front Door/Family Hubs | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | | To be scheduled for April or July 2024 |
| Local Authority Approach to Youth Provision in Nottinghamshire | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | | To be considered for scheduling |

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| February/ March 2024 | Pupil Place Planning | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | Resolved at March 2023 meeting: That members of the Committee carry out a task and finish review on how the Children and Families and Place departments can best work together on projects being implemented to deliver additional school places. | Scope approved by committee. Work being scheduled to be carried out during February/March 2024. |

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| TBC | <p>Transition of Service Users from Children and Families Services to Adult Social Care Services</p> <p>(Joint item with the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee)</p> | <p>Cabinet Member - Children and Families</p> <p>Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Public Health</p> | <p>To examine the current procedures surrounding the transition of service users from Children's to Adult Services.</p> <p>To make recommendations on how procedures could be developed to ensure the best possible transition for each service user.</p> | Pending |

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| TBC | Provision of Additional Specialist Educational Placements | Cabinet Member - Education and SEND | <p>Resolved at the December 2022 meeting:</p> <p>That a task and finish review on the potential locations for the provision of additional specialist educational placements be carried out by members of the Committee.</p> | Pending |

Items for information briefings for Committee members

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| Inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (ILACS) – Ofsted Self-Evaluation | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | ILACS focuses on the local authority functions regarding the help, care and protection of children and young people. | To be circulated twice-yearly |

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Items to be scheduled during 2024/25

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| Nottinghamshire Safeguarding Children Partnership (NSCP) – Progress Report on Priorities and Annual Report 2022/23 | Cabinet Member - Children and Families | Annual item | To be scheduled for October 2024 meeting |
| Education, Health and Care Plans | Cabinet Member - Education and SEND | To receive a progress report on the recommendations of the review of Education, Health and Care Plans. | To be scheduled. |
| All-Age Carers Strategy | Cabinet Member - Children and Families Cabinet Member - Adult Social Care | To review progress after the strategy has been in place for one year. | Joint item with the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee |
| SACRE Annual Report | Cabinet Member - Education and SEND | Annual item | To be scheduled for January 2025 meeting. |
| Early Years Provision of Childcare | Cabinet Member – Children and Families | Resolved at February 2024 meeting “That a further report on the Early Years and Childcare Sector in Nottinghamshire be received at the January 2025 meeting of the Children and Families Select Committee.” | |

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| 20 September 2023 | Section 19 Report – Ravenshead Flooding | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Statutory Section 19 report following flooding in Ravenshead | <p>1) That in accordance with Section 19 of the Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and the Council's Lead Local Flood Authority responsibilities, the Section 19 Report – Ravenshead – April 2023, as attached as an appendix to the officer's report, be approved and published.</p> <p>2) That the work (as detailed in the officer's report) that has taken place in response to the flooding incident in Ravenshead in April 2023 be endorsed.</p> |
| | Safer Nottinghamshire Board – Progress Report | Cabinet Member – Communities | <p>(As the Council's statutory Crime and Disorder Committee) Resolved at the July 2023 meeting:</p> <p>a) That a further report be submitted to the September 2023 meeting of the Place Select Committee that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. acknowledges the commitments of the Motion of Full Council in March 2023. ii. includes information around performance issues under the current strategic priorities of the Nottinghamshire Community Safety Agreement. iii. provides information on the suitability of those assigned to lead on priorities. | That the report be noted. |

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| 20 September 2023 | HWRC Strategic Review – Task and Finish Review Scope | | <p>To approve the scope for the task and finish project on the HWRC Review.</p> <p>Resolved at July 2023 meeting: That a scrutiny task and finish working group be established to carry out further scrutiny on, and to feed into the work being carried out on the review of Household Waste Recycling Centre provision.</p> | That the proposed scope for the Place Select Committee's review around Household Waste Recycling Provision be approved. |
| | Recycling | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>To receive the response from the resolution made at the March 2023 meeting: <i>"That the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, in consultation with officers, gives further consideration to what further activities could be carried out through the Joint Waste Management Board to increase recycling rates across Nottinghamshire."</i></p> <p>Page 138 of 154</p> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) That the report be noted. 2) That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the work with the Joint Waste Management Board to increase recycling rates across Nottinghamshire be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That the delivery of effective communications that encourage residents to recycle should continue to be a key focus of activity for the Nottinghamshire Joint Waste Management Board. b) That information on recycling rates in the districts and boroughs that show the amount of glass collected through kerbside collections as well as at bring sites be circulated to members of the Place Select Committee. c) That information on contamination levels of recycling collected through kerbside collections in the districts and boroughs be circulated to members of the Place Select Committee. d) That the invitation that has been made to all district and borough councillors across Nottinghamshire to visit the Materials Recovery Facility be reaffirmed. |

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| 20 December 2023 | Highways Joint Continuous Improvement Plan – Progress Report | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Resolved at January 2023 meeting “That a progress report on the delivery of the Highways Joint Continuous Improvement Plan be brought to the December 2023 meeting of the Place Select Committee.” | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the report be noted. 2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on the Highways Joint Innovation and Continuous Improvement Plan be progressed: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) That the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, in consultation with officers examines how communication with residents can be enhanced on the responsibilities around highway management that are the responsibility of Nottinghamshire County Council, and on which are the responsibility of National Highways and other delivery partners. b) That the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment, in consultation with officers considers what further activity can be carried out to ensure that the accessibility and needs of wheelchair users are taken into account when constructing and maintaining pavements. c) That the proposed six-monthly update for Place Select Committee members on highways matters should, in addition to the information detailed at paragraph 21 of the report, include information on: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. the amount of Viafix used. ii. the number of repairs/maintenance carried out in comparison to previous years. |

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| | | | | <p>iii. the response times for the completion of work.</p> <p>iv. areas of the highway network where repeat requests for repairs have been requested.</p> <p>and that the information that is included should be provided in a tabulated form.</p> <p>d) That further information on the processes for dealing with compensation claims submitted by drivers arising from damage to vehicles caused by highway defects be provided to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to inform the consideration of any further scrutiny activity.</p> <p>e) That work should be carried out to enable the claim form for dealing with compensation claims submitted by drivers arising from damage to vehicles caused by highway defects to be made available on the Council's website.</p> |
| | Electrical Vehicle Charging | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>Resolved at the March 2023 meeting: That a further progress report on Electric Vehicle Infrastructure be brought to a future meeting of the Place Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman of the Committee. To include information on NCC doorstep and community EV charging schemes</p> <p>Page 140 of 154</p> | <p>1. That the report be noted.</p> <p>2. That the following issues raised by the Committee in its consideration of the report on On-Street Low Emission Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Programme and Electric Vehicle Cable Channel (EVCC) Pilot Project be progressed:</p> <p>a) That further information on the marketing activity planned to promote the Electric Vehicle Cable Channel (EVCC) Pilot Project be circulated to members of the Place Select Committee.</p> |

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| | | | | <p>b) That individual feedback from initial charge point site selection consultation exercise that was carried out with all elected members be shared with each elected member who took part in the consultation.</p> <p>c) That a further report on the delivery of the On-Street Low Emission Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Programme be brought to a future meeting of the Place Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.</p> |
| | Annual Library Plan/Strategy | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | | <p>1. That the report be noted.</p> <p>2. That a further report on the development of Inspire in the delivery of cultural, learning and library services across Nottinghamshire be brought to the December 2024 meeting of the Place Select Committee.</p> |
| | Catering and Facilities Management | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | To receive a report on the Catering and Facilities Management Service | <p>1. That further scrutiny work be undertaken through the establishment of a task and finish group to consider the issues being faced by the Catering and Facilities Management Service and to offer subsequent recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Communities.</p> <p>2. That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, in consultation with officers create a scope that will determine the work of the task and finish working group.</p> |

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| 27 March 2024 | Crime and Disorder | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | To sit as the Council's statutory Crime and Disorder committee to scrutinise delivery of crime and disorder strategies. To meet the requirements of the Crime and Disorder (Overview and Scrutiny) Regulations 2009. | |
| | Section 19 Reports – October 2023 Flooding | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Statutory Section 19 reports following the flooding in October 2023. Also to include report on Eastwood flooding event. | |
| | Resident Parking | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | To consider the processes around resident parking schemes. | |
| | Outcomes of the review of Household Waste Recycling Centres | | To consider the outcomes of the task and finish review of Household Waste Recycling Centres. | |

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| 26 June 2024 | Flooding | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | To scrutinise the activity that is being carried out around kerbside drainage and other activities to mitigate flooding. | |
| | Visitor Economy Framework | Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management | To scrutinise the implementation of the Visitor Economy Framework | |
| | Access to Digital Services and Digital Inclusion | Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management | To receive a report on, and to scrutinise activity regarding the Council's activity regarding access to superfast broadband and digital inclusion. | |
| | Section 19 Reports – January 2024 Flooding | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Statutory Section 19 reports following the flooding in January 2024. | |

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| Lane Rental Scheme | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | | To be scheduled |
| Review of Active Travel/Staff Travel | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | | To be scheduled |
| Environmental Impact of hybrid working | | To gain an understanding of the environmental impact of the Council's hybrid working strategy. | To be considered for scheduling |

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| January 2024 | Catering and Facilities Management | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | <p>Resolved at the December 2023 meeting:</p> <p><i>“That further scrutiny work be undertaken through the establishment of a task and finish group to consider the issues being faced by the Catering and Facilities Management Service and to offer subsequent recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Public Health and Communities.</i></p> <p><i>That the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, in consultation with officers create a scope that will determine the work of the task and finish working group.”</i></p> | Scope to be created and programme of review activity agreed. |

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| October 2023 | HWRC Review | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>Resolved at July 2023 meeting.</p> <p>a) That a scrutiny task and finish working group be established to carry out further scrutiny on, and to feed into the work being carried out on the review of Household Waste Recycling Centre provision.</p> | <p>Scope approved at September meeting,</p> <p>Review activity carried out during October/November.</p> <p>Report to be considered by at the March 2024 meeting.</p> |

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| TBC | Free School Meals | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | To gain assurance that the quality of Free School Meals is not being negatively impacted by the increased number of children in receipt of Free School Meals. | |

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| TBC | Flooding | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>Resolved by Council on 7 December 2023.</p> <p>“Requests that the Place Select committee carry out a full review of Nottinghamshire County Council’s preparation for and response to the flooding caused by Storm Babet, including consideration of information and recommendations that are automatically brought forward in Section 19 reports and from reports of the Nottingham & Nottinghamshire Local Resilience Forum in response to all significant flooding incidents.”</p> | |

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| TBC | Gully Cleaning | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>Resolved by Council on 7 December 2023.</p> <p>“Requests that the Place Select committee carry out a full review of gully cleaning across Nottinghamshire, including the role and responsibilities of other local councils (e.g.) in relation to street cleaning.”</p> | |

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| TBC | Inward investment Framework | Cabinet Member – Economic Development and Asset Management | To feed into the development of the framework that will allow inward investment activities to be coordinated and prioritised. | |

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| TBC | 20mph Pilot Schemes | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Resolved at the January 2023 meeting that the Place Select Committee carries out scrutiny in advance of any decisions taken by the Cabinet Member for Transport and Environment on the location of 20mph speed limit pilot schemes. | |

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Items to be scheduled for 2024/25

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| Concessionary Travel | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>To receive a progress report on the implementation of the recommendations made by the task and finish review. And to cover:</p> <p>Resolved at the March 2023 meeting:</p> <p>“That a report on the feasibility of introducing free off-peak travel for armed forces veterans in Nottinghamshire be presented at a future meeting of the Place Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman of the Committee</p> | To be scheduled |
| Annual Library Plan/Strategy | Cabinet Member – Communities and Public Health | <p>Resolved at the December 2023 meeting:</p> <p>“That a further report on the development of Inspire in the delivery of cultural, learning and library services across Nottinghamshire be brought to the December 2024 meeting of the Place Select Committee.”</p> | To be scheduled for December 2024 meeting. |
| Highways Joint Innovation and Continuous Improvement Plan | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Last considered at December 2023 meeting | To be scheduled. |
| EV Charging | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | <p>Resolved at December 2023 meeting:</p> <p>“That a further report on the delivery of the On-Street Low Emission Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Programme be brought to a future meeting of the Place Select Committee at a date to be agreed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee.”</p> | To be scheduled |

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Items for information briefings for committee members

| Item | Cabinet Member Responsibility | Details | Status |
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| Subsidised Bus Services | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Briefing note to be circulated to members of the committee. | |
| Bus Network Review | Cabinet Member – Transport and Environment | Briefing note to be circulated to members of the committee. | |

