

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

Final Report of the Sustainable Street Lighting Scrutiny Sub-Committee: Street Lighting - Strategic Management & Procurement to Reduce Carbon Dioxide (CO₂) Emissions and Waste.

Summary

1. Members of the Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) are presented with the final report of the Sustainable Street Lighting Scrutiny Sub-Committee delivering the former Environment & Sustainability Scrutiny Board's research and findings regarding approaches Local Authorities might take to delivering more sustainable street lighting.
2. This report was amended, agreed and approved for progression through SMC at the Sub-Committee's meeting 21st June 2006. Substantive changes agreed at this meeting can be seen through the tracking in change of typeface underlined.
3. Members of SMC are recommended to;
 - i. consider the content, format and recommendations held in this report
 - ii. approve progression of this report to the Executive as a matter of urgency (in line with their decision to complete outstanding scrutiny topics) subject to;
 - a. completion of Officer consultation on the implementation of recommendations
 - b. completion of the Chair's foreword and Executive Summary

Background

4. Between 2005-2006 Scrutiny¹ at the City of York Council advanced the development more robust and holistic strategic approaches to delivering carbon reduction and energy sourcing across all sectors of the Council's work bar transportation fuel.

¹ Through work of the Boards: Environment and Sustainability, Housing and, Planning and Transport

5. In January 2006 Members of the Environment and Sustainability Board chose to progress a registered topic regarding sustainable street lighting. The street lighting topic was considered by the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Board to be the next significant area for Scrutiny recommendations supporting the authority to monitor, manage and achieve carbon savings.
6. The report at Annex A presents their findings and recommendations at completion of their review.

Consultation

7. During the course of this scrutiny, the Regional Energy Policy Manager was consulted through correspondence regarding region wide and national exemplars for presentation to the Board. The Energie Cites database was referred to, to establish examples of Europe wide best practice.
8. City of York Council (CYC) Officer Ricky Watson (Street Lighting), acted as the Board's principal support for base line data, including that in Annex A of the attached report, and also met with a sub-group of the Board to help answer further enquiries. Officers Kristina Peat and Julian Horsler submitted early information regarding the sustainability and equalities aspects of the topic for the Board's feasibility report.

Options

9. **Either:** To approve the findings and recommendations of the Board in the report at Annex A
10. **Or:** To recommend no change to the authority's operations and approach to street lighting at this time

Analysis

11. The report at Annex A was drafted in line with;
 - a. the objectives of the topic registration as lodged (see Annex B of the attached draft final report)
 - b. findings of the Board regarding the advice of the feasibility consultees (see above under 'Consultation')
 - c. the Board's gap analysis of authority base line data for this area revealed through completion of the street lighting section of the Regional Assemblies Energy Champions Questionnaire (see Annex A of the attached draft final report.)

Corporate Objectives

12. The Scrutiny fits with the aims of the following Corporate Objectives

‘Corporate Aim 1: Take Pride in the City, by improving quality and sustainability, creating a clean and safe environment.’ With particular reference to:
 - 1.2. Protect and enhance the built and green environment that makes York unique.
 - 1.3. Make getting around York easier, more reliable and less damaging to the environment.
 - 1.4. Protect residents and our environment from pollution and other public health and safety hazards and act as role model in the sustainable use of resources.
13. Analysis is also given in the Glossary of the report at Annex A regarding the Scrutiny’s relationship with the Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) framework.

Implications

14. SMC might like to note that the report could only be circulated for Officer consultation on the implications of recommendations on the 22nd June following the Sub-Committee’s approval the prior evening. Apropos of which, there are no known implications in relation to the following at this stage of the draft final report:
 - **Finance**
 - **Human Resources (HR)**
 - **Equalities**
 - **Legal**
 - **Crime and Disorder**
 - **Information Technology (IT)**
 - **Property**
 - **Other**

Risk Management

15. There are no risk management implications associated with the draft final report at this stage.

Recommendations

16. Members of SMC are recommended to:

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Reason

- 17. To facilitate completion of the former Environment and Sustainability Board's outstanding work.

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Specialist Implications Officer(s)

None

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers:

Draft Final Report: Street Lighting - Strategic Management /Procurement to Reduce CO2 Emissions and Waste.
 And as listed in the draft final report at Annex A.

Annexes

Annex A Draft Final Report: Street Lighting - Strategic Management & Procurement to Reduce CO2 Emissions and Waste.