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## **Climate Emergency Policy & Scrutiny Committee**

Report of the Head of Carbon Reduction  
Portfolio of the Executive Member for Environment and Climate Change

### **Pollinator Strategy Update**

#### **Summary**

1. The 'City of York Pollinator Strategy 2020 – 2025' was approved by Executive on 18 March 2021.
2. The Strategy sets out the council's vision: "Our local environment will be rich in pollinator friendly habitats, helping support sustainable pollinator populations and making places more attractive for people to live and work in."
3. This report provides an update against the strategic objectives and actions within the Strategy.

#### **Recommendations**

4. Scrutiny Committee is asked to:
  - i. Review the content of the update and provide any recommendations to the Executive Member for Environment and Climate Change

Reason:

To improve suitable habitat within York for pollinators

## Background

5. In July 2019 Council resolved “to request a paper to Executive setting out the options for a comprehensive Pollinator Action Plan to include consideration of the management of appropriate verges, parks and other open spaces for wildflowers and biodiversity; other possible measures to support pollinators and the options for working collaboratively to develop and implement the plan with other local organisations.”
6. The Pollinator Strategy was approved by Executive on 18 March 2021 for adoption.

## Council Plan

7. This proposal supports and contributes to the following Council Plan priority - A greener and cleaner city.

## Implications

- **Financial** – Where the strategy requires a change in other policies there are no financial implications. Where it requires action on the ground this will have to be funded by Wards or 3rd parties otherwise the Public Realm budget and their limited resources will be stretched further. There is no capacity to lead or coordinate city wide projects.

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**Approved**

### Wards Affected:

All

**For further information please contact the author of the report**

## **Background papers**

Executive Report: Pollinator Strategy (18/03/2021)

<https://modgov.york.gov.uk/documents/s148143/Exec%20Report%20Pollinator%202021.%20docx.pdf>

## **Annexes**

Annex A: Pollinator Strategy Update

Annex B: Pollinator Strategy

<https://modgov.york.gov.uk/documents/s148144/Annex%201%20CYC%20Pollinator%20Strategy.pdf>