

Report of the Assistant Director – Legal & Governance

Carbon Budgeting

Summary

1. This report introduces a discussion on the challenges and opportunities of Carbon Budgeting. This agenda item will look to explore the nature of Carbon Budgeting and the committee will be assessing the impact of what this would look like in York. Experts from the Stockholm Environment Institute, Anthesis and City of York Council will be in attendance to facilitate discussion.

Background

2. This agenda item has been mentioned in previous meetings of the Climate Change Policy and Scrutiny Committee and was originally planned for the November meeting. In order to give this topic the time and attention that the committee desired, it was decided that it would instead come to this meeting of the committee.
3. For this agenda item, the committee will be joined by Debbie Mitchell (Corporate Finance and Commercial Procurement Manager, CYC), Sara Telahoun (Anthesis) and Jon Green (Stockholm Environment Institute).
4. To further assist the committee in their discussion and to help provide some background information, the Carbon Management Plans for the cities of Manchester, Leeds, Bristol and Copenhagen are attached to this report. Furthermore, the Tyndall Centre's Report on Setting Climate Commitments for York has also been attached for information.

Consultation

5. No consultation was necessary in the production of this report.

Options

6. Members can decide whether they would like to take forward into their work plan, any items or issues that come out of their discussion with colleagues during this session.

Analysis

7. There was no analysis necessary in this report.

Council Plan

8. The issues that will be discussed in this session are linked to the Council Plan themes of 'A Greener and Cleaner City' and 'Getting Around Sustainably', as set out in the Council Plan 2019-23.

Risks and Implications

9. There are no risks or implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

Recommendation

10. The Committee is asked to reflect on discussions held during this session and decide whether they would like to take forward any related items into their work plan.

Reason: To continue the work and engagement with organisations to better understand the challenges of achieving a zero-carbon City by 2030.

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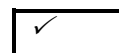
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Wards Affected:

All



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Annexes

Annex A – Quantifying the Implications of the Paris Agreement – City of Manchester

Annex B – Leeds Climate Commission – Carbon Roadmap

Annex C – Carbon Management Plan 2013-20 – Bristol

Annex D – Copenhagen - Carbon Neutral by 2025

Annex E – Setting Climate Commitments for York – Tyndall Centre