

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

REF No 576.23

A1 Service Area	Regulatory Services
A2 Title	Climate Change Communications and Engagement Plan
A3 Decision Taken By	Deputy Leader
A4 Chief Officer	Please print name: John Teasdale Please sign name: Approval by email 120623
A5 Leader / Deputy Leader	Please print name: Cllr D Fletcher Please sign name: Approval by email 160623
A6 Date of Decision	21 st June 2023

Confidentiality

A7 Is this Decision confidential by containing exempt information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972?	No
A7.1 If yes, please state the relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.	N/A

Conflict of Interest

Are there any conflicts of interest to declare? No

(If “Yes” please contact the Chief Executive before making the Decision. A note of dispensation should be attached).

Scrutiny

A8 Which Scrutiny Committee should this decision be submitted to? *(Please tick as appropriate)*

Scrutiny (Value for Money Council) Committee
 Scrutiny (Regeneration Development and Market Hall) Committee
 Scrutiny (Health and Wellbeing) Committee X
 Scrutiny (Climate Change and Environment) Committee

B1 What is the Decision?	To approve East Staffordshire Borough Council's Climate Change Communications and Engagement Plan.
B2 What are the reasons for the Decision?	Climate Change Communications and Engagement Plan is action number 12.5 in the Climate Change Action Plan and requires completion in order to support work towards achieving net carbon zero emissions in line with the climate change declarations that councils have made.
B3 What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?	Environment and Health & Well-being: Increased sustainability and reduced carbon emissions will help to improve the overall health of residents and prepare them for the effects of climate change.
B4 What are the Human Rights considerations?	There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.

Financial Implications

B5 What are the financial implications?	<p>The main financial issues arising from this decision are as follows:</p> <p>Any costs will be funded using existing budgets or external sources of funding, in accordance with financial regulations.</p>
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The finance section has been approved by the following member of the Financial Management Unit:	<p>Please print name: Anya Murray</p> <p>Please sign name: Approval by email 130623</p>
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Policy Framework

B6 Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?	Yes
B6.1 If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
B6.2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	NA
B7 Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?	Yes
B7.1 If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?	NA
B7.2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?	NA

Equalities Implications

B8 What are the Equalities implications:
B8.1 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): Improved access to sustainability information, such as energy efficiency and climate change adaptation.
B8.2 Negative (Threats): None
B8.3 The subject of this decision is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality and health impact assessment is not required at this stage but may be needed for specific actions undertaken as part of the action plan.
B8.4 The equality impact assessment identified no further actions to be carried out

Risk Assessment

B9 What are the Risk Assessment implications:
B9.1 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced CO₂ emissions • Possible financial benefits through raising awareness of energy efficiency and reduced waste • Increased biodiversity and nature recovery, aiding well being • Wise use of resources and reduced waste and pollution • Residents better prepared for climate change adaptation
B9.2 Negative (Threats): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insufficient capacity and funding to deliver change • Securing behavioural change • Consequences of climate change and biodiversity loss

B9 What are the Risk Assessment implications:

B9.3 The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register.

Legal Considerations

B10 What are the Legal Considerations:

B10.1 There are no significant legal issues arising from this decision. Any legal considerations associated with individual actions will be considered as part of the approval process for each action.

This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team

Please print name: John Teasdale

Please sign name: [Approval by email 120623](#)

Sustainability Implications

B11 What are the Sustainability implications:

B11.1 The proposal would result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures). The positive/negative impacts are set out below (please refer to guidance notes).

B11.2 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

- Reduced CO₂ emissions
- Increased biodiversity

B11.3 Negative (Threats):

- None

Health & Safety Implications

B12 What are the Health & Safety implications:

B12.1 A Risk Assessment has not been carried out and entered into Safety Media for all significant hazards and risks because there are no significant hazards or risks arising from this decision.

B12.2 NA

B12.3 NA

B12.3.1 Positive (Benefits): NA

B12.3.2 Negative (Threats): NA



Key Decision

B13 Is this a Key Decision? No

Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:

1. **REVENUE** – Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
2. **CAPITAL** – Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

B13.1 If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by the use of the Call-in Procedure would <u>seriously</u> prejudice the public interest?	NA
B13.2 If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in?	NA

NOTE: If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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