

EXETER CITY COUNCIL

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – COMMUNITY 12 NOVEMBER 2013

EXECUTIVE 26 NOVEMBER 2013

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To present an updated report of the environmental performance of the Council in a single document, and seek approval for a revision of the 3 strategies to one overall strategy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Historically there have been three distinct Council strategies dealing with the Environment, Carbon Management and Climate Change respectively, and they overlap in many areas.
- 2.2 The Environment and the Carbon Management strategies each covered periods to 2012 and 2013 respectively, and are now in need of updating; it is recommended that to simplify target setting and reporting the main strands of all three strategies are drawn together into one all-encompassing document, setting out a combined strategy.
- 2.3 This report is a current state-of-play summary of relevant actions from all three strategies, with some initial proposals on future Environmental and Carbon Management initiatives. This strategy will be further developed by re-formed Climate Change Steering Group and an update presented in Spring 2014.

3. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that

1. Scrutiny Committee - Community and Executive note the attached report; and
2. Scrutiny Committee - Community supports and Executive approves the revision of the Environmental, Carbon Management and Climate Change strategies in to one encompassing strategy; and
3. requests a revised Environmental Performance Strategy to be brought before them in draft form for consultation in Spring 2014 and subsequent approval following consultation.

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