

STOCKPORT COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET- SUMMARY SHEET

Subject: Stockport Climate Emergency Strategy

Report to Cabinet

Date: 17 March 2020

Report of: *Climate Emergency Member Task Group*

Key Decision: (b) Y

Forward Plan General Exception Special Urgency (Mark with a Y if applicable)

Summary:

Stockport Council declared a Climate Emergency in March 2019 and agreed that the impacts of global temperature rises above 1.5°C are so severe that governments at all levels must work together and make combating climate change their top priority. To do its part, it was agreed that Council would develop a Climate Action Plan.

This report provides an overview of a proposed strategy for Stockport to meet its climate obligations, covering all aspects of the Council and Borough, as well as making it clear that tackling climate change will require every stakeholder in Stockport to play their part: Council, residents, businesses and communities.

Comments/Views of the Cabinet Member: (c)

We have set out a series of commitments that we believe will help to tackle to climate crisis. As an important step towards this we have that the climate will be front and centre of every future decision we take and are developing a new approach to financial appraisals which allows us to consider carbon before any investments. We will continue to engage with residents, businesses, partners and wider communities because we know that despite the radical changes we are making as a council we cannot do this alone

Recommendation(s) of Cabinet Member: (d)

That the Cabinet approve the Climate Emergency plan as our approach to climate action and that the report is presented at Full Council.

Relevant Scrutiny Committee (if decision called in): (e)

Communities and Housing

Background Papers (if report for publication): (f)

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'Urgent Business': (g)

Yes/ No (Please circle)

Certification (if applicable)

This report should be considered as 'urgent business' and the decision exempted from 'call-in' for the following reason(s):

The written consent of Councillor _____ and the Chief Executive/Monitoring Officer/ Borough Treasurer for the decision to be treated as 'urgent business' was obtained on /will be obtained before the decision is implemented.
