Stockport Climate Emergency Strategy

Meeting: 17 September 2020

Report of the Corporate Director for Place Management & Regeneration

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 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 Strategy.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 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.
- 2.2 We have set out a series of commitments that we believe will help to tackle the climate crisis. As an important step towards this we have said 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.

3. RECOMMENDATION

The Council Meeting is recommended to approve and endorse the Climate Emergency plan as our approach to climate action.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

There are no background papers.

Anyone wishing to inspect the above background papers or requiring further information should contact Mark Glynn on telephone number Tel: 0161-474-3700 or alternatively email mark.glynn@stockport.gov.uk