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08 June 2022

## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Environment Committee will be held on **THURSDAY, 16 JUNE 2022** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary  
Chief Executive

**Please Note:** The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

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This is to ensure adequate seating is available in the Council Chamber.

## A G E N D A

1. **APOLOGIES**  
To receive apologies of absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**  
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 3 - 8)**  
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2022.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**  
The Chair of the Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

### **DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS Noon on Friday, 10 June 2022**

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services,  
Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to  
[Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk)

5. **FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN (Pages 9 - 20)**  
To advise members of the Flood Risk Management Plan being developed by the Environment Agency and asking members to approve the inclusion in the plan of measures that are in the Stroud District.
6. **LITTER BIN POLICY (Pages 21 - 36)**  
To recommend the adoption of a litter bin policy.
7. **APPOINTMENTS**
  - (a) Performance Monitoring Representatives for 2022-2023
  - (b) Outside Bodies for 2022-2023 (Pages 37 - 38)
8. **MEMBER REPORTS**
  - (a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board
  - (b) Stroud Regeneration Committee (Pages 39 - 40)
  - (c) Performance Monitoring (Pages 41 - 56)
9. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 57 - 58)**  
To consider the work programme.
10. **MEMBER QUESTIONS**  
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.

#### **Members of Environment Committee**

##### **Councillor Chloe Turner (Chair)**

Councillor Natalie Bennett  
Councillor Martin Brown  
Councillor Christopher Evans  
Councillor George James  
Councillor Haydn Jones  
Councillor Norman Kay

##### **Councillor Robin Layfield (Vice-Chair)**

Councillor Dave Mossman  
Councillor Ashley Smith  
Councillor Haydn Sutton  
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## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

31 March 2022

7.00 pm - 9.10 pm

Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Stroud

### Minutes

#### Membership

##### **Councillor Chloe Turner (Chair)**

Councillor Natalie Bennett  
Councillor Martin Brown  
Councillor Christopher Evans  
Councillor George James  
Councillor Haydn Jones  
Councillor Norman Kay\*

\*= Absent

##### **Councillor Robin Layfield (Vice-Chair)**

Councillor Dave Mossman  
Councillor Ashley Smith\*  
Councillor Haydn Sutton  
Councillor Brian Tipper  
Councillor Tricia Watson

#### Officers in Attendance

Strategic Director of Place  
2030 Strategy Manager  
Accountant  
Democracy & Information Governance  
Officer

Head of Planning Strategy & Economic  
Development  
Senior Community Infrastructure Officer

#### EC.038

#### Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Norman Kay and Ashley Smith.

#### EC.039

#### Declaration of Interests

There were none.

#### EC.040

#### Minutes

#### **RESOLVED**

**That the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 December 2021 are approved as a correct record**

Councillor Jones asked for an update on the Strategy and Partnership discussion for the Severn Estuary Recreational and Mitigation Strategy due to be reported at Committee in Spring 2023 and how Members could be involved.

The Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development advised that initial discussions on the Strategy would take place at the Strategic Planning Advisory Board.

## **EC.041**      **Public Question Time**

There were none.

## **EC.042**      **Environment Committee Budget Monitoring Report Q3 2021/22**

The Accountant provided an overview of the projected net revenue underspend of £327K for the revenue budget and an underspend of £1.62 Million for the Capital Programme. She referred the Committee to Table 1 and specific numbering within the report that provided narrative on the underspend for the revenue budget section.

Councillor Mossman asked for an update on the insurance claim under Paragraph 3.8 of the report and what the claim related to in relation to the theft of diesel. The Accountant advised it was an insurance dispute at Gossington and would speak with the budget holder to provide further context outside of Committee. Councillor Mossman continued and asked for progress on the multi-service contract vehicle electrification under paragraph 4.4 of the report. The Accountant advised she would speak with the budget holder to provide an answer outside of Committee to all Members.

Councillor Sutton enquired about the number of miles per full charge for the road sweeper. The Chair, Councillor Turner, asked the Accountant to confirm this with the Community Services Manager and inform Committee.

Councillor Jones asked when the detail relating to the additional transport modelling for the Local Plan under paragraph 3.7 of the report would be available. The Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development advised the update had been completed and would be published in the forthcoming weeks once the consultants had responded to the National Highways and Gloucestershire County Council comments.

Proposed by Councillor Sutton and seconded by Councillor Brown.

On being put to the vote, the motion was carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED      To note the outturn forecast for the General Fund Revenue budget and the Capital Programme for this Committee.**

## **EC.043**      **Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) – Project Variation : Cam & Dursley Rail Station**

The Senior Community Infrastructure Officer reminded the Committee of the background of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) before outlining the project variation proposal from Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) for the Cam and Dursley Rail Station project. This asked for £25K of the £75K commitment to be repurposed to provide additional cycling racks, motorcycle parking and a car parking space, as well as other related infrastructure to improve pedestrian and cycle accessibility to the site. The repurposed money was a result of car parking provision not being deliverable under the original anticipated timescales and budget.

The Senior Community Infrastructure Officer and Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development answered Members questions relating to the report with the following answers:

- GCC would take a more holistic and strategic approach when reviewing the parking and cycling provisions at the station, including roadworks, footways, and public transport.
- There wouldn't be any impact on future applications for CIL in relation to car parking improvements for the site.
- There was no bid limit for organisations on the maximum they could request, instead the limit was the funds available in the annual CIL budget.
- The Senior Community Infrastructure Officer advised she was unable to comment on questions relating to the engineering side of the bid/proposal, she would report back to Members outside of Committee.
- GCC would be looking at bus provisions as part of the Service Improvement Plan with the Department for Transport (DFT).
- CIL bid applications would re-open in late spring/early summer and close in September.
- The Senior Community Infrastructure Officer advised she would ask GCC of any additional schemes and report to Members outside of Committee.
- Since the CIL bid was put in, planning permission on Signal Road had been approved for 41 spaces due to commuters from Stroud and Stonehouse using the Cam/Dursley station. SDC also received money from DFT to explore the introduction of a new station from Bristol Road, Stonehouse to Bristol which would also have its own parking facilities.

Councillor Mossman proposed that an amendment be made to the decision that clarification was sought on the need for a new bus shelter. Councillor Haydn Jones suggested 'new' be changed to 'replacement'.

The Chair asked if Members would be happy for the amended decision to include 'subject to clarification from the lead officer on the need for a replacement bus shelter' and would Members accept it as a friendly amendment. Committee agreed to accept as a friendly amendment.

Proposed by Councillor Layfield and seconded by Councillor James.

On being put to the vote, the Motion was carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED To note the CIL funding Project Variation Form submitted by GCC and agree to the amended project proposals subject to clarification from the lead officer on the need for a replacement bus shelter.**

## **EC.044 2030 Annual Report (2021-2022)**

The 2030 Strategy Manager explained that the 2030 engagement board had been established and the report reflected on progress made across the 7 key priorities and continued future progress over 2022-2023. The report had been used to engage with communities to encourage communities and to follow the example of SDC and partners.

Councillor Mossman referred to the amendments made to the 6 June 2019 Environment Committee minutes which referred to the establishment of a cross-party Member and Officer group and for urgent action to be taken to ensure budget discussions for 2020-2021 included funds to install multiple charging points, including superfast points in SDC car parks and land. Councillor Mossman believed these actions had not happened. The 2030 Strategy Manager advised the budget was used for fleet vehicles and charging points in

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SDC estates with a small budget (around 12K) remaining for good decision making on wider economic developments. An Officer Action Group had been set up and were looking at electric vehicle infrastructure in consultation with the South West Energy Hub. A business case needed to be explored in respect of SDC car parks. Councillor Mossman asked for an estimated timeline for completion and the 2030 Strategy Manager advised an options appraisal would be within the next 6 months.

The 2030 Strategy Manager, Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development and the Chair, Councillor Turner, answered Members questions in relation to the report with the following answers:

- The 2030 Strategy Manager would discuss with Councillor Brown outside of Committee on the specific information he was seeking on the Council housing stock retrofit.
- SDC lowest Energy Performance Certificate (EPC) was an F and the Council were working towards an average EPC across SDC stock of a C rating.
- The Biodiversity and Nature Recovery Officer was a separate post to the potentially joint funded SDC and Forest of Dean District Council post for the Severn Estuary.
- The Sharpness Railway bid was unsuccessful primarily based on unconfirmed growth in the area. The emerging Local Plan had a commitment to develop public transport and sustainable access with one aspect being reintroducing passenger services to the trainline to the Sharpness development settlement.
- Environmental Health were looking at air quality monitoring provision including monitoring locations, the potential to extend existing provisions and partnering with the Community Liaison Group.
- Terminology such as 'waste hierarchy' related to waste services/curbside collections and was kept in due to a focus on recycling still being prominent with the public and Council.
- GCC's Director of Economy and Environment had identified a potential project to address the excess waste heat from the incinerator at Javelin Park however, further conversations were required on feasibility. SDC did not have the ability to enforce as it was a GCC project and instead Members could only encourage actions.
- The 2030 Strategy Manager would check with biodiversity colleagues on whether SDC had responded to DEFRA's Biodiversity Net Gain Regulations and Implementation consultation and would inform Councillor Jones.

The Chair, Councillor Turner, asked Committee if they would accept a friendly amendment to the decision to include 'and RECOMMEND to Council that the decision to approve the 2021-2022 Annual Report is endorsed'. Committee agreed to accept as a friendly amendment.

Proposed by Councillor Mossman and Seconded by Councillor Layfield.

On being put to the vote, the Motion was carried unanimously.

**RESOLVED**      **To note and approve the 2021-2022 Annual Report for the 2030 Strategy and Master Plan**

**RECOMMENDED**      **To Council that the decision to approve the 2021-2022 Annual Report is endorsed.**

**EC.045      Walking and Cycling Task and Finish Group: Findings and Recommendations**

Chair of the Task and Finish (T&F) Group, Councillor Layfield, shared his gratitude to the stakeholders, Councillors and officers involved, outlined the key considerations and some of the key recommendations from the groups findings. Engagement with Parish and Town Councils had been undertaken to identify current projects and how SDC could support them. The T&F group received submissions from approximately 45 projects that were in varying stages of development and consisted of projects such as footpath improvements, improved signage, pedestrian crossings, towpath widening and cycling and wheelchair improvements.

Councillor Sutton suggested that notices should be placed along canal paths advising cyclists to use audible devices for means of warning to which Councillor Mossman echoed support. Councillor Layfield advised better infrastructure for cyclists was needed as towpaths were not suitable for walkers and cyclists. Councillor Brown agreed with Councillor Layfield and advised Committee of his doubts in terms of the improvement signage would make.

Councillor Watson commended the group for putting 'walking' first in the T&F group title and not wholly focusing on cycling.

Councillor Brown asked for a comment to be made on the T&F group priority list and the Cam and Dursley greenway in relation to Councillor Tippers comment on multi-use roads. The Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Growth advised that GCC had a prioritisation tool. The group had thought about creating a similar tool for local schemes that considered criteria such as modal shifts, catchment areas, deliverability, links to strategic routes and deliverability.

Proposed by Councillor Watson and seconded by Councillor Layfield.

Councillor Tipper asked whether an annual report was sufficient. The Chair, Councillor Turner advised in addition to the formal annual report she and the Vice-Chair, Councillor Layfield would regularly check with Officers on the budget spending. The Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development reminded members that it was an objective in the Council Plan and included in performance monitoring.

On being put to the vote, the Motion was carried unanimously.

- RESOLVED**
- a. **To thank the Task and Finish Group for its work and its recommendations;**
  - b. **Support the recommendations as set out in Appendix A;**
  - c. **Request an annual report on progress with walking and cycling schemes.**

**EC.046      Strategic Planning Advisory Board**

The Head of Planning Strategy and Economic Development provided Committee with an update on behalf of Councillor Smith who was not in attendance. The group had their first meeting on the 22 March 2022 and discussed the terms of reference, the scope and issues for the group and their work programme. Discussion also took place on the Local Plan progress to examination, SDC's initial response to the Governments Landscape Review

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paper, democratic accountability, affordable housing on social priority list and supporting carbon capture in protected landscapes. Planning appeals relating to strategic planning significance would remain as a standing item for future meetings.

### **EC.047**      **Stroud Regeneration Committee**

A written report was circulated ahead of Committee. There were no questions.

### **EC.048**      **Performance Monitoring**

Councillor Bennett advised Committee that the quarter 4 report in June would include any missing updates and data from the projects which hadn't been updated prior to publication. She asked Members to contact herself or Councillor James on any specific areas Members wanted to look at for future reports.

### **EC.049**      **Member Questions**

A Member question was submitted and was answered by the Chair, Councillor Turner. There were no supplementary questions. (Refer to the [recording of the meeting](#)).

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm

Chair



## STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 16 JUNE 2022

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN</b>			
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	To advise members of the Flood Risk Management Plan being developed by the Environment Agency and asking members to approve the inclusion in the plan of measures that are in the Stroud District.			
<b>Decision(s)</b>	<b>The Committee RESOLVES to accept and agree to the inclusion of the measures identified in Appendix A in the Flood Risk Management Plan.</b>			
<b>Consultation and Feedback</b>	The Environment Agency have consulted on the proposed plans.			
<b>Report Author</b>	Maria Hickman, Housing Renewal Manager Tel: 01453 754455 Email: <a href="mailto:maria.hickman@stroud.gov.uk">maria.hickman@stroud.gov.uk</a> Tom Barratt, Water Resources Engineer Tel: 01453 754480 Email: <a href="mailto:tom.barratt@stroud.gov.uk">tom.barratt@stroud.gov.uk</a>			
<b>Options</b>	If the proposed measures are not approved, they will not be included in the Flood Risk Management Plan for Gloucestershire			
<b>Background Papers</b>	None			
<b>Appendices</b>	Appendix A – Flood Risk Management Plan 2 Measures Stroud District			
<b>Implications (further details at the end of the report)</b>	Financial	Legal	Equality	Environmental
	Yes	Yes	No	No

## 1. INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Flood Risk Regulations 2009 (FRR) transposed the EU Floods Directive into English and Welsh law and continue to apply now that we have left the European Union. They set out a process for preparing, reviewing and updating flood risk management plans (FRMPs) over a six year planning cycle. The planning cycle starts with a preliminary flood risk assessment and the identification of flood risk areas following ministerial guidance, followed by flood risk and hazard mapping and finally Flood Risk Management Plans.
- 1.2 The first planning cycle ran from 2009-2015, with the first FRMPs published in England in 2016 and containing measures for the period 2015-2021. Current plans are published on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk)
- 1.3 The Environment Agency and Lead Local Flood Authorities (LLFAs) must review and update revised FRMPs every six years. In Gloucestershire the LLFA is Gloucestershire County Council.

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- 1.4** The second cycle of FRMPs will contain measures for the period 2021-2027 and must be published by the Environment Agency by the end of June 2022.

### **2. MAIN POINTS**

- 2.1** The statutory obligation in the FRR requires the Environment Agency and Lead Local Flood Authorities to prepare FRMPs for the flood risk areas they have identified in a preliminary flood risk assessment.
- 2.1.1** The flood risk areas for England were identified in 2017/18 and the preliminary Flood Risk Assessments are published [here](#).
- 2.2** The FRR require that within the Flood Risk Management Plans measures are identified which if carried out could reduce the risk to identified flood areas.
- 2.3** There is a duty on the District Councils to work with the Environment Agency and the Lead Local Flood Authority with the development of the FRMPs in their area. Officers have attended consultation meetings with the Environment Agency and the LLFA to develop measures that could be identified that would help reduce flood risk.
- 2.4** Appendix A contains the proposed measures to be included in the FRMP which are in the Stroud District.
- 2.5** Whilst these measures have been identified as desirable there is no obligation on any party to carry them out unless resources are able to be identified over the cycle of the plan. However, measures that are included in the plan will be a priority for any future funding that does become available.
- 2.6** There may be some limited resource implications where SDC are identified as the lead authority for a project but this would be contained within existing budgets.

### **3. CONCLUSION**

- 3.1** Members are asked to agree and accept the inclusion of the measures identified in appendix A in the Flood Risk Management Plan. The measures identified in Appendix A cannot be altered. If members do not agree these measures will not be included in the plan, which the Environment Agency have to sign off by the end of June 2022, the consequence of which is that if funding for measures becomes available in the future for these types of work they are unlikely to be successful.

### **4. IMPLICATIONS**

#### **4.1 Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report as it seeks to approve the measures for future flood risk. As mentioned in the body of the report if this is not agreed it may affect the availability of future funding bids.

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#### **4.2 Legal Implications**

There are no significant implications within this category.

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#### **4.3 Equality Implications**

There are not any specific changes to service delivery proposed within this decision.

#### **4.4 Environmental Implications**

There are no significant implications within this category.

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KEY	
	Stroud District Council named as Responsible Authority (lead) - Approval needed
	Stroud District Council named as Other Responsible Authority in measure being led by other (Agreement needed).
	Stroud District Council not named specifically but measure may be relevant (for information only)
	wording change (yet to be approved by National EA)

Measure Label	Measure Author	Approver	Category	Type of work	Timetable	Responsible authority	Other responsible authorities	Measure description	Measure location	Water Framework Directive Management Catchment	River Basin District	Measure outcome	Measure	Plan owner name	Plan name	Statutory or non-statutory	Source of flood water
Work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management measures in the Stroud Valleys <i>including headwaters</i>	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Agreed	Protection	2021 to 2027	Stroud District Council	Gloucestershire County Council and the Environment Agency	work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management measures	the Stroud Valleys <i>including headwaters</i>	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	provide multiple benefits including reduced flood risk	Between 2021 and 2027, Stroud District Council and Gloucestershire County Council and the Environment Agency will work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management measures in the Stroud Valleys <i>including headwaters</i> to provide multiple benefits including reduced flood risk in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.		<i>Stroud Valleys Natural Flood Management Project</i>	Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source

Understand areas at risk of flooding due to blocked culverts in Stroud	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2027	Stroud District Council	Gloucestershire County Council	understand areas at risk of flooding due to blocked culverts	Stroud	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	better manage flood risk associated with blocked structures	By 2027, Stroud District Council and Gloucestershire County Council will understand areas at risk of flooding due to blocked culverts in Stroud to better manage flood risk associated with blocked structures in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Flooding from rivers (ordinary watercourses)
Understand areas at flood risk due to poor sluice gate maintenance and management by riparian owners, and educate them on roles and responsibilities, in Stroud	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2027	Stroud District Council		understand areas at flood risk due to poor sluice gate maintenance and management by riparian owners, and educate them on roles and responsibilities,	Stroud	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	better manage flood risk in the Severn Vale Management Catchment	By 2027, Stroud District Council will understand areas at flood risk due to poor sluice gate maintenance and management by riparian owners, and educate them on roles and responsibilities, in Stroud to better manage flood risk in the Severn Vale Management Catchment in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Flooding from rivers (ordinary watercourses)

Work with partners to investigate the feasibility of, and if appropriate progress implementation of, a scheme in Cam and Wicksters Brook catchments	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2027	Stroud District Council	the Environment Agency	work with partners to investigate the feasibility of, and if appropriate progress implementation of, a scheme	Cam and Wicksters Brook catchments	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	improve biodiversity, habitat, amenity and water quality and to reduce the risk of flooding	By 2027, Stroud District Council and the Environment Agency will work with partners to investigate the feasibility of, and if appropriate progress implementation of, a scheme in Cam and Wicksters Brook catchments to improve biodiversity, habitat, amenity and water quality and to reduce the risk of flooding in the Severn Vale management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source
Work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management and blue/green infrastructure in Gloucester	PSO South West - 038	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2021 to 2027	Environment Agency	Gloucestershire County Council, Gloucester City Council, Tewkesbury Borough Council and Stroud District Council	work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management and blue/green infrastructure	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	provide multiple benefits including to reduce flood risk	Between 2021 and 2027, the Environment Agency and Gloucestershire County Council, Gloucester City Council, Tewkesbury Borough Council and Stroud District Council will work with partners, landowners and communities to deliver natural flood management and blue/green infrastructure in Gloucester to provide multiple benefits including to reduce flood risk in the Gloucester, Severn Flood Risk Area.			Statutory FRMP	Multi-source

Work together to assess and agree the model/s to be used that best represent/s current and future level of flood risk in Stroud	PSO South West - 038	PSO South West	Proposed	Prevention	2021 to 2027	Environment Agency	Gloucestershire County Council and Stroud District Council	work together to assess and agree the model/s to be used that best represent/s current and future level of flood risk	Stroud	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	inform future management of flood risk in the town	Between 2021 and 2027, the Environment Agency and Gloucestershire County Council and Stroud District Council will work together to assess and agree the model/s to be used that best represent/s current and future level of flood risk in Stroud to inform future management of flood risk in the town in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Flooding from rivers (main river)
Investigate, and if viable, progress a scheme in Nailsworth	PSO South West - 038	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2021 to 2027	Environment Agency	Gloucestershire County Council and Stroud District Council	investigate, and if viable, progress a scheme	Nailsworth	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	reduce fluvial and/or surface water flood risk	Between 2021 and 2027, the Environment Agency and Gloucestershire County Council and Stroud District Council will investigate, and if viable, progress a scheme in Nailsworth to reduce fluvial and/or surface water flood risk in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source



Work with communities at risk to raise awareness and increase their preparedness for flooding, including what they can do themselves in Gloucestershire	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Preparedness	2021 to 2027	Gloucestershire County Council	District Councils and the Environment Agency	work with communities at risk to raise awareness and increase their preparedness for flooding, including what they can do themselves	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	reduce flood risk	Between 2021 and 2027, Gloucestershire County Council and District Councils and the Environment Agency will work with communities at risk to raise awareness and increase their preparedness for flooding, including what they can do themselves in Gloucestershire to reduce flood risk in the Severn River Basin District.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source
Engage with communities and partners to improve flood awareness, warning and response in rapid response catchments (Lydney, Cinderford/Ruspidge, Charlton Kings, Nailsworth and Slad Brook)	PSO South West - 038	PSO South West	Transitional	Preparedness	2021 to 2027	Environment Agency	Gloucestershire County Council and the District Councils	engage with communities and partners to improve flood awareness, warning and response	rapid response catchments (Lydney, Cinderford/Ruspidge, Charlton Kings, Nailsworth and Slad Brook)	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	improve preparedness for flood events	Between 2021 and 2027, the Environment Agency and Gloucestershire County Council and the District Councils will engage with communities and partners to improve flood awareness, warning and response in rapid response catchments (Lydney, Cinderford/Ruspidge, Charlton Kings, Nailsworth and Slad Brook) to improve preparedness for flood events in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Flooding from rivers (main river)

Promote natural flood risk management as a complementary element of flood risk management schemes and work with landowners to identify locations for natural flood management measures in Gloucestershire	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Agreed	Protection	2027	Gloucestershire County Council	District Councils	promote natural flood risk management as a complementary element of flood risk management schemes and work with landowners to identify locations for natural flood management measures	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	reduce the risk of flooding	By 2027, Gloucestershire County Council and District Councils will promote natural flood risk management as a complementary element of flood risk management schemes and work with landowners to identify locations for natural flood management measures in Gloucestershire to reduce the risk of flooding in the Severn River Basin District.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source
Share information for reciprocal use to build up records of drainage assets and their condition in Gloucestershire	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2023	Gloucestershire County Council	District Councils and other risk management authorities	share information for reciprocal use to build up records of drainage assets and their condition	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	better manage flood risk	By 2023, Gloucestershire County Council and District Councils and other risk management authorities will share information for reciprocal use to build up records of drainage assets and their condition in Gloucestershire to better manage flood risk in the Severn River Basin District.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source

Assess the need for water level and rain gauges and develop an early warning system for surface water flooding at priority locations in Gloucestershire	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Preparedness	2027	Gloucestershire County Council	risk management authority partners	assess the need for water level and rain gauges and develop an early warning system for surface water flooding at priority locations	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	improve preparedness and response to flood events	By 2027, Gloucestershire County Council and risk management authority partners will assess the need for water level and rain gauges and develop an early warning system for surface water flooding at priority locations in Gloucestershire to improve preparedness and response to flood events in the Severn River Basin District.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source
Have worked together to create a centralised data base for flood alleviation schemes to effectively co-ordinate where future resources can be targeted in Gloucestershire	Gloucestershire County - 090	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2027	Gloucestershire County Council	risk management authority partners	have worked together to create a centralised data base for flood alleviation schemes to effectively co-ordinate where future resources can be targeted	Gloucestershire		Severn - 09	reduce flood risk	By 2027, Gloucestershire County Council and risk management authority partners will have worked together to create a centralised data base for flood alleviation schemes to effectively co-ordinate where future resources can be targeted in Gloucestershire to reduce flood risk in the Severn River Basin District.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source

Explore opportunities as part of built developments in Gloucestershire including Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury, and Stroud	PSO South West - 038	PSO South West	Proposed	Protection	2021 to 2027	Environment Agency	partners	explore opportunities as part of built developments	Gloucestershire including Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury, and Stroud	Severn Vale	Severn - 09	reduce flood risk for communities and benefit the environment	Between 2021 and 2027, the Environment Agency and partners will explore opportunities as part of built developments in Gloucestershire including Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury, and Stroud to reduce flood risk for communities and benefit the environment in the Severn Vale Management Catchment.			Non-statutory FRMP	Multi-source
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## STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 16 JUNE 2022

<b>Report Title</b>	<b>LITTER BIN POLICY</b>			
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	To recommend the adoption of a litter bin policy.			
<b>Decision(s)</b>	<b>The Committee RESOLVES to:</b>  <b>a. Approve the Litter Bin Policy for adoption.</b> <b>b. Delegate authority to the Community Services Manager to finalise any minor alterations to design and formatting.</b>			
<b>Consultation and Feedback</b>	<p>Drafts have been shared with colleagues in our Customer Service and Environmental Health Teams and with Ubico via the Service Review Working Group.</p> <p>Feedback and input has been sought and received from the Litter Free Group, via litter control volunteers.</p>			
<b>Report Author</b>	Michael Towson, Community Services Manager Tel: 01453 754336 Email: <a href="mailto:michael.towson@stroud.gov.uk">michael.towson@stroud.gov.uk</a>			
<b>Appendices</b>	Appendix A – Litter Bin Policy Appendix B – Equality Impact Assessment			
<b>Implications (further details at the end of the report)</b>	Financial	Legal	Equality	Environmental
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**1. INTRODUCTION / BACKGROUND**

- 1.1 Stroud District Council have a statutory duty to keep council owned land and public highways clear of litter.
- 1.2 To fulfil this duty the council engage Ubico to provide street cleansing services. This is made up of a mix of mechanical sweeping, litter picking and clearance, and the provision and servicing of litter and dog bins. Throughout the district around 1,400 bins are serviced on a regular basis.
- 1.3 Officers are frequently asked to install additional litter bin provision and whilst there is a keenness to accommodate, there is also a keenness to ensure that the limited resources at our disposal, are used in the most efficient way.
- 1.3 This report presents a new Litter Bin Policy, intended to be a transparent tool to assess both the need for new provision and the continued use of existing provision, where required.
- 1.4 The new policy is presented as Appendix A.

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## **2. MAIN POINTS**

- 2.1 At present SDC do not have a publicly available document which details how litter bin provision will be applied. This contrasts with many Principal Litter Authorities, who have prepared and posted this information for residents to refer to.
- 2.2 The policy provides a robust framework for staff to apply in the course of their duties, avoiding discretionary decisions. Each request for an additional bin will be assessed.
- 2.3 A scoring mechanism is used to determine whether or not to proceed with provision. The scoring system accounts for contributory litter factors, such as the proximity to retail and the designated cleansing zone. It also factors in persistent litter problems in the preceding months.

## **3. ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION**

### **3.1 Dog Bins**

- 3.1.1 Currently litter bins are administered by the Multi Service Team (Community Services), with dog bins managed by the Environmental Health team. Whilst this has engendered good working relations between teams, it can be confusing for residents.
- 3.1.2 In writing this policy colleagues from Environmental Health and Community Services have agreed to amalgamate the provision of litter and dog bins, so that officers in the Multi Service Team control all bin related provision. This will stop any unnecessary duplication and will offer residents a clear contact point.
- 3.1.3 Whilst there has been a moratorium on the provision of dog bins since national guidance on separation changed, an estate of around 400 dog bins remain. Dog owners can also avail of standard litter bins. At the point of requiring replacement, each will be assessed in line with this policy and where there is a duplication of litter and dog bin provision, it is likely that this will be rationalised.

### **3.2 Businesses**

- 3.2.1 There has been some discussion with interested volunteers and at this committee, about engaging with retailers on litter related matters and specifically the expectation to work with SDC and harness responsibility as laid out in Defra's publication, A Voluntary Code of Practice for Local Partnerships. Whilst this has not been fully integrated in the policy, SDC are committed to this and have sent letters to national supermarkets and fast food/coffee chains within the district, detailing resources and further information. It is hoped that these chains will engage with SDC, so that they can better understand their obligations, better serve their communities and positively impact local litter issues.

### **3.3 Litter Bin Sponsorship**

- 3.3.1 From time to time local businesses contact SDC to enquire about litter bin sponsorship. This can be achieved in a number of ways but requires a financial contribution from the business, in exchange for advertising on the bin. After review of the potential operating models, at this time, the introduction of such a scheme is not being recommended.

Predominantly this is associated with the administrative burden, which is likely to outweigh any financial benefit.

- 3.3.2 Whilst it is recognised that there are potentially other benefits to be gleaned from bin sponsorship, there is no obvious resource capacity. Furthermore, our standard floor mounted litter bin is of round construction and is not particularly suitable for plaque fixing. As we roll out more recycling litter bins, the opportunities will increase and the suitability of introducing sponsorship will be regularly reviewed.

#### **4. CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 The new litter bin policy intends to formalise the methodology SDC use in determining the appropriateness of new and replacement provision. It gives transparent detail that is clear to staff and residents.
- 4.2 Should the new policy be approved, it will be brought in to use with immediate effect.

#### **5. IMPLICATIONS**

##### **5.1 Financial Implications**

There are no direct financial implications within this report as it recommends to Committee adopt the bin policy. If the policy recommends the need for new bins this will have to be considered within the present budget.

Adele Rudkin, Accountant, Email: [adele.rudkin@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:adele.rudkin@stroud.gov.uk)

##### **5.2 Legal Implications**

There are no significant legal implications arising from this report.

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Tel: 01684 272691

##### **5.3 Equality Implications**

There are no significant implications within this category, although section 3.7 of the policy highlights the considerations to be made. Notwithstanding this, an Equality Analysis has been undertaken by the report writer (Appendix B).

##### **5.4 Environmental Implications**

As there is little change to litter provision and this policy only serves to detail decision making processes, there are no significant implications within this category.

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# Litter Bin Policy

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June 2022

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## Appendix A

Document Responsibility		
Name	Document title	Service
Community Services Manager	Litter Bin Policy	Community Services

Document Version Control			
Date	Version	Issued by	Summary of changes
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	1.2	Michael Towson	First edition

Policy Review			
Updating frequency	Review date	Person responsible	Service
3 years unless required earlier	June 2025	Community Services Manager	Community Services

Document Review and Approvals		
Name	Action	Date
Environment Committee	Approved	16 <sup>th</sup> June 2022

## 1 INTRODUCTION

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1.1 Stroud District Council (SDC) has a statutory duty to keep council owned land and public highways clear of litter and waste, as far as practicable. Whilst it has no legal duty to provide litter and dog waste bins, they are a widely recognised and effective control measure.

1.2 Currently there are approximately 1,400 bins in varying condition across the district. The majority are litter bins but around 400 dog bins make up the estate. These are maintained and emptied frequently.

1.3 As Principal Litter Authority SDC schedule street sweeping, litter clearances and litter picking, to fully meet statutory obligations. There is also liaison with private landowners to address litter distributions and to mitigate any detrimental impact to the amenity of the local area. This includes guidance on bin provision and placement.

1.4 This policy outlines the procedures and requirements for the installation and maintenance of new bins, and the replacement of existing bins. This includes defining protocol for determining requests.

1.5 In implementing this policy, SDC will consider benchmarks and human behavior based recommendations by others, as appropriate, such as the 'The Right bin In The Right Place' by WRAP (Oct 2020) and 'Beyond The Tipping Point' by Keep Britain Tidy (Mar 2022).

1.6 SDC will also consider the feedback of local litter volunteers in the provision, location, performance monitoring and maintenance needs of bins.

## 2 PURPOSE OF THE POLICY

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2.1 The purpose of this policy is to detail how the Council will deal with:

- Requests for new bins
- Emptying and maintenance of existing bins
- Replacement of existing bins
- Removal of Existing Bins

## 3 REQUESTS FOR NEW BINS

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3.1 Requests for the installation of new bins can come from a variety of sources:

- Requests from elected Members on behalf of residents
- Requests from Town and Parish Councils within the District
- Recognition from the Council that additional bin facilities are required
- Requests from litter volunteers and environmental protection organisations, such as the Canal and River Trust

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3.2 Whist the council is dedicated to providing sufficient capacity to help support its statutory duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and Clean Neighbourhood and Environment Act 2005, bins will only be located in areas where a genuine need is demonstrated, taking account of street cleanliness standards.

3.3 All requests for new bins must include a map of the proposed location. Due to the costs of installing, maintaining, and emptying bins, the council will carry out an assessment to determine need and suitability of location, using the scoring system shown in Appendix 1.

3.3 Prior to the assessment, the practical suitability of the location will be considered. If the Council deems the location to be unsuitable for safety or other reasons, the request may be declined prior to scoring. An alternative arrangement may be suggested, including:

- Changing the size/type of bin
- Moving an existing under-used bin to a different location

3.4 The Council may offer advice but will not install litterbins on private land, or areas falling under the responsibility of other public bodies including schools, colleges, and bus stations. Requests will only be accepted for consideration if the proposed location is on, or adjacent to the public highway.

3.5 The Council will liaise with other organisations who wish to install a bin to serve their community. As per this policy, agreement to service new bins will only be given where there is need.

3.6 The Council will monitor litterbins for misuse in terms of the disposal of commercial and household waste. Where those responsible can be identified, fixed penalty notices, or similar, will be issued and where persistent abuse occurs, the litterbin may be removed.

3.7 New free-standing bins will always be positioned out of the main line of travel, or grouped with other existing street furniture, so that they do not present a collision hazard for people with sight loss, or reduce the usable width of the footway for people using wheelchairs, people with prams/buggies, mobility aids or guide dogs. New post mounted bins will not protrude into circulation space, as a cane or guide dog could go underneath, leading their owner into the bin.

3.8 The council will determine the style of litterbin most suitable for the proposed location at the sole discretion of the officer. Where deemed appropriate, litterbins with recycling facilities may be installed instead of, or in addition to standard litterbins. Likely locations for these bins would be areas such as market towns, with close proximity to shops and other similar facilities. Rural parts of the district may be issued a post-mounted bin in the first instance.

3.9 Since changes to the classification of wastes, dog fouling can be disposed of into a litter bin. Dog bins are therefore no longer installed as standard and only in cases where malodor is likely to impact residents, will they be replaced upon failure, like for like.

3.10 In general, public consultation will not be carried out on the installation of new bins. However, in some circumstances local residents and litter volunteers may be consulted, for example when it is proposed to install a bin near houses.

## **4 EMPTYING AND MAINTAINING BINS**

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4.1 The Council will only empty those bins, which it has installed, or has agreed can be installed. Prior to the installation of a bin by any other body, the type and location of the bin must be agreed with the Council.

4.2 The frequency at which individual bins will be emptied will vary in accordance with the location of the bin. All bins will be maintained to a standard that is fit for purpose and that does not present a hazard to the public. When a bin is damaged or stolen, it will be replaced only if it meets the criteria for the installation of a new bin (Appendix 1). Bins, which are regularly vandalised or abused, will not be replaced.

## **5 REPLACING EXISTING BINS**

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5.1 The Council will aim to improve the effectiveness of individual bins through a programme of removal and replacement, using larger capacity bins where practical. The usage of bins will be continually monitored to determine their viability. Bins not being used, or used only infrequently may be removed. Replacement of dog bins will be assessed on an individual case basis depending on the ownership.

5.2 The default litterbin for replacement in towns and villages with hard-standing areas is the floor mounted, 90-litre capacity, Topsy Royale in black.

## **6 REMOVING EXISTING BINS**

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6.1 Behavioural change is necessary to reduce littering and fly tipping. Simply increasing the number of bins on streets is not sustainable. Fewer bins in certain areas could actually result in less litter and fly tipping, as people take responsibility for their waste, take it home and dispose of it correctly.

6.2 When removing a bin, litter and fly tipping levels will be assessed over a period of time. Where removal creates a litter issue, it is likely that the bin will be reinstated.

## **7 WORKING WITH OTHER STAKEHOLDERS**

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7.1 Going forward SDC are committed to engaging with stakeholders at all levels including local businesses, volunteers and litter organisations (e.g. Keep Britain Tidy), to address littering problems within the community.

7.2 The principles of the DEFRA code of practice for reducing food on the go, shall be adopted inclusive of litterbins, as far as practicable.

7.3 As the number of litterbins with recycling facilities increases, there may be also be future opportunities for businesses to promote litter prevention, via a sponsorship scheme. Similarly to explore opportunities to work in partnership with local businesses and chains to address food on the go.

### 8 APPENDICES

#### Appendix 1

Category	Options	Score
<b>Highway Proximity</b>	Located on or adjacent to the public highway	Pass/Fail
	Zone 1 – High intensity of use, such as busy public areas, routes to schools, supermarkets, takeaways and retail parks.	10
	Zone 2 – Medium intensity of use, such as mixed use and high density residential areas and mixed industrial units.	5
	Zone 3 – Low intensity of use, such as low-density residential housing.	1
	Zone 4 – Rural roads and areas with special circumstances, such as health and safety issues.	0
<b>Proximity to existing bins</b>	>100 metres to any bins	10
	<100 to 1 bin	5
	<100 to more than 1 bin	0
<b>Proximity to Facilities</b>	<100 metres to educational establishment	5
	<50 metres to shops, including supermarkets and takeaway outlets	5
	<100 metres to sports facilities	2
	<50 metres to bus stops	2
	<100 metres to outdoor market / car boot sales	1
	<100 metres to other public facilities such as community centre, church, public hall.	2
<b>Established Dog Walking Route/Area</b>	Route or area used by multiple dog owners daily (>20 dog owners)	10
	Route or area used by a limited number of dog	5

	owners daily (10 -20 dog owners)	
	Route or areas used infrequently by dog owners (<10 dog owners daily)	0
<b>Number of requests for de-littering received within 6 months (Note some officer discretion will be applied to the score if litter grading inspections have been below standards within the previous 12 months)</b>	1-2	2
	3-5	5
	6-10	10
	Over 11	15
<b>Number of requests for a bin received within a six month period (from different sources)</b>	1-2	2
	2-10	10
	Over 10	15

The overall score is compared with the thresholds shown in the table below in order to determine the outcome of the request.

<b>Score</b>	<b>Outcome</b>
0-40	Unsuccessful
Above 40	Successful

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## Equality Analysis Form

By completing this form you will provide evidence of how your service is helping to meet Stroud District Council's General Equality duty:

The Equality Act 2010 states that:

*A public authority must, in the exercise of its functions, have **due regard** to the need to –*

*(a) eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by the Equality Act 2010;*

*(b) advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;*

*(c) foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.*

The protected characteristics are listed in Question 9

Stroud District Equality data can be found at: <https://inform.gloucestershire.gov.uk/equality-and-diversity/>

Please see Appendix 1 for a good example of a completed EIA.

[Guidance available on the HUB](#)

### 1. Persons responsible for this assessment:

Name(s): Mike Towson	Telephone:
	E-Mail: Michael.towson@stroud.gov.uk
Service: Community Services	Date of Assessment: 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2022

### 2. Name of the policy, service, strategy, procedure or function:

Litter Bin Policy

Is this new or an existing one?      New (please delete as appropriate)

### 3. Briefly describe its aims and objectives

Whilst the policy is new, it doesn't intend to radically change things, moreso it is designed to ensure that a standardised approach is undertaken to litter bin provision and the siting of new and replacement bins.

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#### 4. Are there external considerations? (Legislation / government directive, etc)

DDA

#### 5. Who is intended to benefit from it and in what way?

All

#### 6. What outcomes are expected?

The relevant siting of new and replacement litter and dog bins.

#### 7. What evidence has been used for this assessment?: (eg Research, previous consultations, Inform (MAIDEN); Google assessments carried out by other Authorities)

N/A

#### 8. Has any consultation been carried out?

Yes

Details of consultation

Local Litter Free Group

Ubico

CSC

Environmental Health

If NO please outline any planned activities

**9. Could a particular group be affected differently in either a negative or positive way?**  
*(Negative – it could disadvantage and therefore potentially not meet the General Equality duty;  
 Positive – it could benefit and help meet the General Equality duty;  
 Neutral – neither positive nor negative impact / Not sure)*

Protected Group	Type of impact, reason and any evidence (from Q7 & 8)
Age	
Disability	Inappropriate siting could lead to difficulty navigating past street furniture. This is directly referred to in the policy.
Gender Re-assignment	
Pregnancy & Maternity	Inappropriate siting could lead to difficulty navigating buggies past street furniture. This is directly referred to in the policy.
Race	
Religion – Belief	
Sex	
Sexual Orientation	
Marriage & Civil Partnerships (part (a) of duty only)	
Rural considerations: le Access to services; transport; education; employment; broadband;	

**10. If you have identified a negative impact in question 9, what actions have you undertaken or do you plan to undertake to lessen or negate this impact? This is referred to in the policy.**

**Please transfer any actions to your Service Action plan on Excelsis.**

Action(s):	Lead officer	Resource	Timescale


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#### Declaration

I/We are satisfied that an Impact Assessment has been carried out on this policy and where a negative impact has been identified, actions have been developed to lessen or negate this impact.

We understand that the Equality Impact Assessment is required by the District Council and that we take responsibility for the completion and quality of this assessment

Completed by: M. Towson	Date: 27/5/22
Role: Community Services Manager	
Countersigned by Head of Service/Director: 	Date: 8/6/22

Date for Review: Please forward an electronic copy to [eka.nowakowska@stroud.gov.uk](mailto:eka.nowakowska@stroud.gov.uk)

**STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL  
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**16 JUNE 2022**

**List of Outside Bodies within the remit of Environment Committee**

**Appointments to Outside Bodies**

Red – To be appointed

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representatives 2021/22</b>	<b>Nominations received 2022/23</b>
Berkeley Nuclear Stakeholders	Councillor Robin Layfield Councillor Brian Tipper	Councillor Brian Tipper Councillor Norman Kay
Cotswolds Nationals Landscape Board (AONB)	Councillor Norman Kay	Councillor Martin Brown or Councillor Norman Kay
Lower Severn Drainage Board	Councillor John Jones	Councillor John Jones
Minchinhampton & Rodborough Commons Advisory Board	Councillor Ashley Smith	tbc
Stroud Regeneration Committee	Councillor Robin Layfield	Councillor Robin Layfield
Stroud Valley Project Board	Councillor Martin Brown	Councillor Martin Brown
Rural SUDS Steering Group	Councillor Chloe Turner	Councillor Chloe Turner

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## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

### MEMBER REPORT

<b>NAME OF ORGANISATION/BODY</b>	Stroud Regeneration Committee
<b>DATE OF LAST MEETING ATTENDED</b>	26 May 2022
<b>BRIEF REPORT</b>	
<p><b>Notes:</b> Stella PARKES is now Mayor of Stroud. Kevin CRANSTON is now Chair of Stroud Regeneration Committee.</p> <p><b>Received budget report to end April 2022</b></p> <p><b>Ally Rood presented the Project Officer's report (for information only)</b> Market Towns Tourism promotional literature – there have been Issues with the procurement process and not all applicants had received the full details of the brief. SDC have advised to re-run the procurement process. This means that it is unlikely to be able to deliver in time for the Summer Holidays. The brief is now being adjusted to focus on Autumn half term and Christmas 2022.</p> <p>STC are still assessing the benefits of the place experience app. Tony Davey offered to share content from Visit Stroud in order to help populate it more quickly with useful information and routes.</p> <p>Train Station User Survey Observational surveys for car park usage &amp; ask survey for people who are passing through the station.</p> <p>Subscription Rooms Forecourt Update Green spaces manager is to report to the extraordinary Full Council meeting on 30 May 2022.</p> <p><b>Car Parking Revenue update</b> SDC have provided a table showing how car park revenue is spent. Most of the allocation goes to Street Cleansing, with a significant proportion allocated to Stratford park, amenity areas, and Commons and Woodlands. STC would like further clarification of the proportion of revenue spend allocated to the town.</p> <p>We discussed drafting a protocol for dealing with demonstrations within the town centre. Stella Parkes asked to include street stall in this. There have been concerns raised over the taking over of street space by some stalls interfering with pedestrians and shoppers.</p>	

### **Levelling Up Fund application**

Stroud Town Council is having an Extraordinary General Meeting to discuss the LUF. A lot of work has gone into this on many different projects. Stroud District Council has provided a list of projects. The LUF application is a real endorsement of the Neighbourhood Plan for Stroud Town Centre. Three major projects: Gateway spaces (Wallbridge, Sub rooms forecourt); Cultural landmarks (Sub Rooms, Goods Shed); Highways and connections: linking in to NCR 45 from Rodborough, Wallbridge gateway access for walkers and cyclists, pedestrian crossings and cycle routes into the town centre, supporting the proposals from the Street Spaces Report.

A lot of information is going out over the next few weeks. Stroud LCWIP has now been published.

### **Proposed Car Parking Review for Stroud**

Consultation seeking to build up a body of evidence to confirm that the right parking is in the right places. Tony Davey raised the case of ebike parking, particularly for holidaymakers / shoppers / tourists who come with additional storage on their bikes that they wish to keep secure. Call for bike lockers to be made available in Stroud car parks.

Possible issue with ownership of Cheapside carpark and the application of Crichel Down rules to give descendants of families originally moved off the site first refusal on site disposal.

Lengthy discussion around bike access into the town. Brunel mall has lockable storage in the basement. Fawkes place might also be a suitable location.

### **AOB**

Stroud Town Council would like to recognise listing and renaming of the Imperial Hotel – now to be called the Stroud, one of only a handful of British buildings being listed as part of the Platinum Jubilee.

There was a lengthy discussion about the failure of bus services across the district and the clear need for substantial improvements as well as better links to neighbouring towns and villages.

<b>REPORT SUBMITTED BY</b>	Cllr Robin Layfield
<b>DATE</b>	31 May 2022





# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## Performance Monitoring Report Q4: Environment Committee

Date of Meeting		
Performance Monitors & Officer(s)	Members: Natalie Bennett & George James Lead Officer: Brendan Cleere	
Performance Update (See report below for detailed updates)		
Council Plan Priorities (see performance management system)	Summary:	Progress & RAG Status
	Action Plans:	21 On Target
		Total 21
Council Plan Performance Indicators or Milestones (see performance management system where applicable)	Summary:	Progress & RAG Status
	Milestones:	6 On Target
		5 Completed
		2 Overdue
		13 Not started
	Performance Indicators:	2 Reported for Q4:
		» CDPEC2.2a Below target
		» CDPEC2.2b Below target
		18 Not yet available
	Total 46	
Reports being presented to this Committee associated with Council Plan:	EC2.2: Flood Risk Management Plan EC5.1: Litter Bin Policy ER5.3: Standish Neighbourhood Development Plan: Progress to Referendum	
Risks	Corporate Risk Register presented to Audit & Standards Committee. List any relevant Service specific risks.	

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**Environment Committee Q4 Performance Monitoring Report 2021/22**






<b>Relevant finance issues</b>	See Q4 Budget monitoring report
<b>Any other service issues considered at the meeting (eg staffing / resources)</b>	
<b>Follow up (any issues for consideration at the next meeting)</b>	

<b>Any issues of significant concern to be reported to Audit and Standards</b>	
<b>Any actions/recommendations for the Committee</b>	
<b>Report submitted by</b>	
<b>Date of report</b>	





## Environment Committee Q4 Performance Monitoring Report 2021/22

### Action Plans, Milestones & Indicators (67)

#### EC1: Tackle the Climate and Ecological Emergency: Achieve the commitments set for 2021-2024 of the Strategy to be a carbon neutral district by 2030

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status		Comments
<a href="#">EC1.1</a>	Set up a 2030 Core Group to provide high level strategic overview on delivery, identify funding opportunities and develop communication and community engagement	31/03/2024	90	Rachel Brain	On Target		09/05/2022: Quarter 4: The core group has been formed under the name "2030 Community Engagement Board" and had their first formal meeting 01/03/2022. This group is formed from community representatives that have been recruited to help us bring those people in the district not yet responding to the call for 2030 action into the development of a workplan to be in place by early 2023. The board is cross-political and representation is from leaders or their nominated colleagues.
» <a href="#">EC1.1.1</a>	Establish the Community Engagement Board with a cross-section of community members.	31/03/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed		04/03/2022: The first meeting of this board was held 01/03/2022
» <a href="#">EC1.1.2</a>	Community Governance Group work plan identified and reviewed quarterly by Spring 2022	31/03/2022	40	Rachel Brain	On Target		06/05/2022: Facilitators to work with the Board on this plan are currently submitting proposals with a view to begin work at next meeting 8/06
» <a href="#">EC1.1.3</a>	Community Governance Group progress to plan included to 2030 annual reporting to Full Council in October	31/03/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed		06/05/2022: Annual Report Approved 28/04/22
» <a href="#">EC1.1.4</a>	Participation in Climate Leadership Gloucestershire Group and leader / convenor of retrofit theme (C)	31/03/2024	100	Rachel Brain	Completed		04/03/2022: Brendan Cleere and Cllr Chloe Turner have taken their places on this group and SDC is retrofit theme lead.


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» <a href="#">CDPEC1.1</a>	% of CEG members who demonstrate participation in engagement with external stakeholders through participation in county / regional groups per year	N/A	N/A	Rachel Brain	Target: Actual:	Annual figure not yet available
<a href="#">EC1.2</a>	Establish the performance management of the 2030 Strategy across the organisation to monitor and review progress towards the Strategy's aims and commitments	31/12/2022	85	Rachel Brain	On Target 	06/05/2022: Quarter 4: Council Plan reporting is in progress through Excelsis. Carbon accounting is framed through Climate Disclosure Project. SAR support for gap analysis as a starting point for ISO work is scheduled for July.
» <a href="#">EC1.2.1</a>	Quarterly PM update reports on Council Plan to relevant Committee on progress for each activity / project	31/03/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed 	26/04/2022: 2030 Strategy actions are included in The Council Plan and quarterly updates are provided to all relevant Committees.
<a href="#">EC1.5</a>	Explore and progress additional projects for carbon reduction and /or biodiversity net gain and funding opportunities to deliver them.	31/03/2026	40	Rachel Brain	On Target 	06/05/2022: Quarter 4: 2030 Team capacity for project development this quarter has been focused on works in progress including technical review and support to Brimscombe tender process and One Public Estate scoping proposal. Local Partnerships strategic investigation on retrofit is also being led by 2030 Strategy Manager and the coordination work on Innovate 2 Renovate continues. SDC have contributed match to Transition Stroud/Big Solar Coop initiative and this is due to have its launch next quarter.
» <a href="#">EC1.5.1</a>	Money leveraged through successful funding bids and level of associated council investment approved by Councillors £s (ongoing 2026)	31/03/2025	0	Rachel Brain	Not Started 	
» <a href="#">CDPEC1.5 (C)</a>	Number of external projects SDC has worked on with partners for carbon reduction (C)	N/A	N/A	Jenny Youngs	Target: Actual:	Not yet available


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» <a href="#">CDPEC1.5a</a>	Money leveraged through successful funding bids and level of associated council investment approved by Councillors (ongoing 2026)	N/A	N/A	Rachel Brain	Target: Actual:	Not yet available
» <a href="#">CDPEC1.5b</a>	Number of additional projects established or supported with an estimate given of bio-diversity net gain and / or carbon savings that will be achieved.	N/A	N/A	Jenny Youngs	Target: Actual:	Not yet available






### EC2: Biodiversity: Work with local communities and partners to protect and enhance the district's green infrastructure and biodiversity providing accessible environments that people can enjoy and which positively contribute to their good health and well-being

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">EC2.1</a>	Develop a district Local Nature Recovery Strategy (2030 commitment NE7) and seek opportunities for re-wilding to boost biodiversity in partnership with landowners, businesses, the farming community, parish and town councils and local environmental organisations.	31/03/2024	20	Conrad Moore	On Target 	25/04/2022: Quarter 4: In discussion with LNP and County. The Secretary of State for DEFRA is mindful to name Gloucestershire County Council as the responsible body for compiling/publishing a Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS) for Gloucestershire. Stroud District Council officers have agreed this proposal with County. Cotswolds Nature Recovery Forum held a meeting in April for LNRS practitioners and this was valued by those who attended. It was agreed to hold another LNRS practitioners meeting in September hopefully following the formal roll out of formal guidance in August.




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» <a href="#">EC2.1.1</a>	District document developed, aligned with Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	31/03/2023	20	Conrad Moore	On Target 	10/03/2022: Discussions have taken place in the County regarding a Gloucestershire Local Nature Recovery Strategy (LNRS). Ahead of formal appointments of responsible authorities by the Secretary of State for the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra), they have confirmed under the terms of the Environment Act 2021 that Gloucestershire County Council is considered the provisional responsible authority for the LNRS for Gloucestershire. The Local Nature Partnership (LNP) and wider partners will be instrumental in confirming the contents of the LNRS and owning it. The LNRS will probably need to be adopted formally by GCC before going live. SDC still await the legal regulations and guidance from the govt. however.
» <a href="#">EC2.1.2</a>	Progress on recreation and mitigation strategy works for the Severn Estuary, Rodborough Common and Cotswold Beechwoods	31/03/2024	40	Conrad Moore	On Target	25/04/2022: Footprint Ecology working with other Councils in Gloucestershire and Natural England on Severn Estuary evidence updates. Severn Estuary Visitor Surveys undertaken in period up to 01.04.22. Data collected currently being analysed. Anticipate visitor survey report by early Summer. Mitigation Strategy will then follow. Commented on drafts of Rodborough and Cotswold Beechwoods Mitigation Strategies. Footprint Ecology taking account of feedback from landowners and citizen space/ community groups. SDC speaking with NE and other LPAs on governance and administration matters. May lead to delay in adoption until late Summer/early Autumn.
» <a href="#">CDPEC2.1(C)</a>	Hectareage of re-wilded land	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Working with Development Management to agree methods of recording re-wilding associated with development. Aim to have baseline figure by Q1
» <a href="#">CDPEC2.1a</a>	Number of re-wilding and bio-diversity partnerships and projects supported.	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Subject to discussion with partnership members, we aim to have data available for Q2 2022/3.


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» <a href="#">CDPEC2.1b</a>	Estimate of bio-diversity net gain and/or carbon saving that will be achieved through strategy implementation.	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Awaiting Government guidance. Council responded to consultation last month regarding biodiversity net gain. Aim to have some data by Q2 2022/23.
<a href="#">EC2.2</a>	Deliver the natural flood management project (Stroud Rural SUDS) for the Frome Valley in Stroud in partnership with the Environment Agency, working closely with landowners and communities using innovative flood management techniques.	31/03/2026	99	Maria Hickman	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: 2 projects completed and further projects being identified with landowners as new project officer now in post
» <a href="#">CDPEC2.2a</a>	Number of interventions installed as part of the natural flood management project	N/A	N/A	Maria Hickman	Target: 3 Actual: 2 	New project officer settled into post and starting to identify new projects for 22/23. 2 of the 3 projects already identified completed but one cancelled as landowner no longer wishes to go ahead
» <a href="#">CDPEC2.2b</a>	Number of landowners engaged with the natural flood management project	N/A	N/A	Maria Hickman	Target: 3 Actual: 2 	3 landowners agreed to have works undertaken this quarter
<a href="#">EC2.3</a>	Develop and establish an action plan to Increase our tree canopy, woodland and forestry in line with the Gloucestershire Local Nature Partnership Tree Strategy ambition for 20% canopy cover across the County by 2030.	31/03/2023	10	Conrad Moore	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Further discussions to take place with Gloucestershire LNP and SDC Arboriculturist to develop the action plan.
» <a href="#">EC2.3.1</a>	Increase canopy cover in Stroud District, towards the target of 20% county wide coverage by 2030 (interim targets for Stroud District will be identified)	31/03/2023	0	Conrad Moore	Not Started 	Not yet available

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<a href="#">EC2.4</a>	Work with partners to protect and enhance green spaces in residential neighbourhoods and town centres, promote 'No Mow May' and adopt best practice for road verges to encourage wildflowers and reduce pesticide use.	31/03/2023	10	Mike Hammond	On Target 	20/04/2022: Quarter 4: Community services are due to meet with Gloucestershire CC (GCC) in the near future( weeks) to discuss the verge cutting that SDC undertake on behalf of GCC. This is likely to lead further discussion on implementing wild flower areas across the district
» <a href="#">EC2.4.1</a>	Development of a green spaces policy / strategy and implementation of action plan, conforming with the draft new Local Plan policies and thresholds on green infrastructure.	31/03/2023	0	Mike Hammond	Not Started 	
<a href="#">EC2.5</a>	Use the Building with Nature standards for key regeneration sites across the district	31/03/2026	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: The output specification for Brimscombe Port includes using the Building with Nature Standards. The Draft Local Plan requires the standard for the proposed new settlements and strongly recommends it for other strategic sites.
» <a href="#">CDPEC2.5</a>	% of strategic sites in the Local Plan that incorporate the Building with Nature standards	N/A	N/A	Mark Russell	Target: Actual:	Not yet available

### **EC3: Sustainable Construction and Retrofit: Work with partners to retrofit our council housing stock and other public sector buildings, and investing in the skills and capacity in the local economy so all buildings across the district can become energy efficient**





Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">EC3.5</a>	Develop planning policies and developer guidance to enable all new buildings to achieve a net zero carbon standard.	31/03/2023	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: The Draft Local Plan, containing net zero sustainable construction standards, was approved by Council in April 2021 and was formally submitted for examination in October 2021. Consultants confirmed in April 2022 that the draft policies remain up to date.







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» <a href="#">EC3.5.1</a>	Develop Policy and guidance by 2023	31/03/2023	30	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/03/2022: Planning policies have been drafted and are included within the Draft Local Plan, submitted to Government in October 2021. The public examination is likely to continue through 2022 until early 2023. Guidance will be produced once the policies have been approved.
» <a href="#">CDPEC3.5</a>	Number of new dwellings that have achieved a net zero carbon standard by 2026	N/A	N/A	Mark Russell	Target: Actual:	Not yet available




**EC4: Mobility / Transport: Support development of an integrated active travel (walking and cycling) and public transport network and the development of electric charging infrastructure working with county and regional partners.**

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">EC4.1</a>	Work with GCC and through the new Cycling & Walking Strategy Task & Finish Group to develop and implement three Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIP) for Stroud; Cam, Dursley and Uley; Wotton-under-Edge and Kingswood, support safe cycling, and identify and prioritise the main strategic cycling routes within the district.	31/03/2023	40	Simon Maher	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Recommendations of the walking and Cycling Task and Finish Group presented to Environment Committee. Commenced discussions on the next steps for the Wotton Kingswood Charfield Greenway.
» <a href="#">EC4.1.1</a>	T&F group to recommend a prioritisation methodology to allocate funding for cycling and walking projects by March 2022	31/03/2022	100	Simon Maher	Completed 	
» <a href="#">EC4.1.2</a>	Allocate funding to deliver improved and new priority strategic and local walking and cycling schemes by March 2023	31/03/2023	0	Simon Maher	Not Started 	
» <a href="#">EC4.1.3</a>	Provide input to GCC to aid the production of LCWIPs (C)	31/03/2023	0	Simon Maher	Not Started 	

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» <a href="#">EC4.1.4</a>	Prioritise main strategic walking and cycling routes within the district, including accessibility (C)	31/03/2023	0	Simon Maher	Not Started 	
» <a href="#">EC4.1.5</a>	Identify local cycling and walking routes which link to, or will help to deliver strategic routes (C)	31/03/2023	0	Simon Maher	Not Started 	
<a href="#">EC4.2</a>	In partnership with the County Council, encourage the expansion and improvement of public transport and links to walking and cycling routes – to include bus services and railway stations and services, and bids for new facilities that benefit residents of the District.	31/03/2026	20	Conrad Moore	On Target 	25/04/2022: Quarter 4: Reopening Stonehouse Station - Project Group and Steering Group meeting in week commencing 25th April. Draft Case for Change prepared for discussion. Workshop also to be run by our consultants Stantec on the business case objectives and the options. Highway Modelling work to support Local Plan continues where looking at key pinch points and apportionment of allocation sites to highway mitigation proposals, including active travel and public transport aspects. Transport Group Meetings involve SDC consultants, County Council, National Highways and West of England Combined Authority and South Gloucestershire Unitary Authority.
» <a href="#">EC4.2.1</a>	Publicity/information campaign promoting the use of public transport and links to active travel across the district	31/03/2023	0	Conrad Moore	Not Started 	

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» <a href="#">EC4.2.2</a>	Submission of strategic outline business case to Department for Transport for the reopening of Stonehouse Bristol Road station by September 2022	30/09/2022	20	Conrad Moore	On Target 	10/03/2022: Stantec were appointed as consultants to assist the formulation and drafting of the strategic outline business case at the beginning of the year. A Project Board to prepare the SOBC had a meeting on 16.02.22 which discussed membership and governance aspects. A programme of project board meetings has been developed which links to the methodology for developing the case for change. In addition potential project risks were discussed. A steering group was set up to support the bid. The Steering Group meeting took place on 01.03.22 which set out the project background, governance and the future work programme aspects. As part of this meeting a workshop was held to explore what are the issues that the project needs to address.
» <a href="#">EC4.2.3</a>	Development of a prioritised programme of investment in walking and cycling projects by March 2022	31/03/2022	0	Simon Maher	On Target 	
» <a href="#">CDPEC4.2a(C)</a>	5% Increase in public transport links to walking and cycling routes year on year	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Not yet available
» <a href="#">CDPEC4.2b(C)</a>	Number of new or improved facilities such as cycle lanes, cycle tracks, walking trails	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Not yet available
<a href="#">EC4.3</a>	Working with partners, expand the network of Electric Vehicle charging points and increase support for low carbon transport, and a reduction in private car use and explore measures to reduce air pollution such as no-idling zones.	31/03/2023	3	Mike Towson	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Meetings with SW Energy Hub and various stakeholders have taken place with a view to engaging consultants to review EV charging need and feasibility across the car park estate. SW Energy Hub may consider funding this work and an application has been entered for assessment. A fully funded commercial option is also being explored.






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» <a href="#">EC4.3.1</a>	Low Carbon Transport Strategy with agreed targets in place • Quarterly reporting to targets in the Low Carbon Transport Strategy	31/03/2023	0	Mike Towson	Not Started	
» <a href="#">CDPEC4.3</a>	Number of EV charge points installed in SDC car parks, work with town and parish councils	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: Actual:	Not yet available

**EC5: Circular economy: Develop the foundations of a sustainable circular economy for the district by minimizing consumption, reducing the quantity of resources sent to incineration and applying the waste hierarchy; prevent, reduce, reuse, recycle, recover and as a last resort, disposal.**



Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">EC5.1</a>	Further reduce the quantity of resources discarded as waste and minimise its environmental impact.	31/03/2023	6	Mike Towson	On Target	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Countywide communications plan in place, focusing on various related topics. SDC to highlight recycling contamination levels via a dedicated engagement programme. The initial focus will be reducing bagged recycling and film which was found to be prevalent.
» <a href="#">CDPEC5.1</a>	% total household waste not sent for recycling, reuse or composting	N/A	N/A	Gemma Webb	Target: 63 Actual: 75.6	Q3: The number of kgs per household remains increased compared to previous years, due to the number of residents working from home. This has prompted an increase of waste into the residual stream that would normally be disposed of via commercial collections.
<a href="#">EC5.2</a>	Work with our partner Ubico to identify joint opportunities for carbon reduction projects in household collection and management of public spaces.	31/03/2025	2	Mike Towson	On Target	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Re-establishment of Service Review Working Group to take ownership of this action.
» <a href="#">CDPEC5.2</a>	Number of carbon reduction projects scoped with Ubico, including analysis of potential carbon saving	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: Actual:	Not yet available

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
<a href="#">EC5.3</a>	Support the phasing out of single use plastics in the district and encourage and support local initiatives to 'reduce, repair and recycle'.	31/03/2023	6	Mike Towson	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Current countywide communications campaign focuses on reuse and SDC will be sharing online content and promoting social media posts. SDC assets recorded on central database. The MST are supporting it using a dedicated email signature strapline.
» <a href="#">EC5.3.1</a>	Local initiatives identified and promoted to reduce, reuse and recycle	31/03/2023	0	Mike Towson	Not Started 	
» <a href="#">CDPEC5.3(a)</a>	Reduction in the percentage of plastic as a part of the overall composition of dry mixed recycling, against a 2020/21 baseline.	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: Actual:	Not yet available
<a href="#">EC5.4</a>	Continue to increase recycling rates across the district.	31/03/2023	6	Mike Towson	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Working towards accepting an additional material at the kerbside. This will be housed in vehicle cages, which are being specified for the next round of capital fleet expenditure. Note* scheme change is the only recognised way to radically increase recycling rates. Rates tend to plateau and decline after scheme change and that is the current stage of the cycle.
» <a href="#">EC5.4.1</a>	Introduction of an additional material at the kerbside	31/03/2023	0	Mike Towson	Not Started 	
» <a href="#">CDPEC5.4,</a>	Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting	N/A	N/A	Gemma Webb	Target: 60 Actual: 59.03 	Q3 figure – Q4 Not yet available

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### EC6: Renewable energy: Increase the proportion of energy generated by renewable sources in the district and work on decarbonizing existing networks.

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">EC6.1</a>	Continue to increase renewable generation in the district and to decarbonise existing networks, and support community-owned renewable energy schemes	31/03/2026	10	Rachel Brain	On Target 	06/05/2022: Quarter 4: SDC are match funding Transition Stroud to establish a node of Big Solar Coop. This secures a part time post to scope opportunity for roof top projects and engage business owners with a view to establishing projects
» <a href="#">CDPEC6.1</a>	Number of community owned or other renewable energy schemes supported by the council and the reported carbon saved/avoided.	N/A	N/A	Rachel Brain	Target: Actual:	Not yet available
<a href="#">EC6.3</a>	Increase the proportion of Council and partner fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon technologies.	31/03/2026	50	Joe Gordon	On Target 	20/04/2022: Quarter 4: Fleet will be reviewed in accordance with renewal schedules and the availability of suitable vehicles and infrastructure to support service delivery
» <a href="#">CDPEC6.3</a>	% increase of fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon tech	N/A	N/A	Joe Gordon	Target: Actual:	Not yet available

### ER5: Strategic Plan: Adopt the new Stroud District Local Plan

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
<a href="#">ER5.1</a>	Progress the Local Plan through public examination and secure its adoption.	31/12/2022	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	22/04/2022: Quarter 4: The Draft Local Plan was approved by Council in April 2021 and was formally submitted for examination in October 2021. The Inspector has asked the Council to do some additional work before a timetable is published. This has now been completed and a timetable is now expected.
» <a href="#">ER5.1.1</a>	Local Plan recommended for adoption by Government Inspector	31/12/2022	20	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/03/2022: The draft Local Plan is progressing through public examination
» <a href="#">ER5.1.2</a>	Local Plan adopted within 3 months of receiving the Inspector's Report	31/12/2022	0	Mark Russell	Not Started 	

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<a href="#">ER5.2</a>	Support the delivery of strategic site allocations contained within the local plan and the key infrastructure required to support it.	31/03/2026	60	Mark Russell	On Target		22/04/2022: Quarter 4: As part of the Local Plan public examination process, the Council is working with site promoters and with stakeholders to resolve outstanding issues. The Council is also responding to formal scoping and pre-application requests through the development management process. A small number of planning applications on strategic sites have been submitted and are being considered.
» <a href="#">ER5.2.1</a>	Number of houses built and hectareage of employment land developed annually compared with Local Plan requirements	31/03/2026	50	Mark Russell	On Target		04/03/2022: The number of homes and employment land delivered annually are set out in the Housing and Employment Land Availability Reports, commencing in April of each year, and published during the summer/autumn. The latest Housing Land Availability Report for 2020/21 was published in September 2021. Due to prioritising the Draft Local Plan for publication, the Employment Land Availability Report for 2020/21 has been delayed but will be published shortly.
<a href="#">ER5.3</a>	Work with parish councils to develop Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders to meet local development needs.	31/03/2026	30	Simon Maher	On Target		22/04/2022: Quarter 4: Continue to work with Standish PC to progress their NDP to referendum. Commencing SEA and HRA screening for Brimscombe and Thrupp NDP.
» <a href="#">ER5.3.1</a>	Number of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders progressed or reviewed	31/03/2026	0	Simon Maher	Not Started		

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<b>Date of meeting</b>	<b>Matter to be considered (i.e. insert report/project title)</b>	<b>Notes (e.g. lead member &amp; officer)</b>
<b>08.09.22</b>	Budget Monitoring Q1	Accountant
	Standish Neighbourhood Development Plan: Progression to Referendum	Senior Neighbourhood Planning Officer
	Stroud District Canals Strategy	Head of Planning Strategy & Economic Development
	Rodborough Common Mitigation Strategy	Principal Planning Officer
	Cotswold Beechwoods Mitigation Strategy	Principal Planning Officer
	Member/Officer Reports: a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board b) Stroud Regeneration Committee c) Performance Monitoring	Councillor Smith/Head of Planning Strategy & Economic Development TBC TBC
	Work Programme	Chair/Strategic Director of Place/Committee
<b>08.12.22</b>	Budget Monitoring Q2	Accountant
	Revenue Estimates Revised 2022/23 and original 2023/24	Accountant
	Community Infrastructure Levy Spending Allocations 2023-24	Senior Community Infrastructure Officer
	Ubico Annual Presentation	Managing Director, Ubico
	Anti-Social Behaviour & Compliance Policy	Head of Community Services
	Member/Officer Reports: a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board b) Stroud Regeneration Committee c) Performance Monitoring	Councillor Smith/Head of Planning Strategy & Economic Development TBC TBC
	Work Programme	Chair/Strategic Director of Place/Committee
<b>09.02.2023</b>	Severn Estuary Mitigation Strategy	Principal Planning Officer
	Member/Officer Reports: a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board b) Stroud Regeneration Committee	TBC/Head of Planning Strategy & Economic Development TBC
	Work Programme	Chair/Strategic Director of Place/Committee
<b>30.03.2023</b>	Budget Monitoring Q3	Accountant

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	2030 Annual Report	2030 Strategy Manager/Community Engagement Board Representatives
	Member/Officer Reports: a) Strategic Planning Advisory Board  b) Stroud Regeneration Committee c) Performance Monitoring d) Walking and Cycling Annual Report	Councillor Smith/Head of Planning Strategy & Economic Development  TBC TBC Senior Neighbourhood Planning Officer

### **Reports for future meetings – date tbc**

- Community Involvement
- Building Back Better Strategy
- District Nature Recovery Strategy
- Tree Strategy
- Air quality implications on wood burning
- Alternative solutions of the Garden Waste Scheme to reduce household burning of garden waste

### **Information Sheets for Future Meetings:**

Marine Management Organisation and Marine Management Plan – TBC

<b>Published Members' Information Sheets</b>		
<b>Date sent (&amp; ref no)</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Notes (e.g. responsible officer)</b>