

**Performance Monitoring Report
Environment Committee
Q3 2023/24**

Date of Environment Committee meeting	21 March 2024	
Date of Performance Monitoring meeting	8 February 2024	
In attendance	Members: Cllr Gordon Craig, Cllr Chloe Turner Officers: Brendan Cleere, Kate Hunt (note taker)	
Environment Ideagen dashboards	Main Environment dashboard Environment Performance Indicator dashboard	
Items on Environment agenda relevant to the Council Plan	EC2: Severn Estuary Mitigation Strategy	
Risks	Strategic Risk Register presented to Audits & Standards Committee	
Council Plan Actions Traffic Light Status	Red (Overdue)	0
	Amber (Overdue Milestone/s)	1
	Green (On Target)	18
	Cancelled	0
	Completed	6
Any issues of concern to be reported to Environment Committee		
<p>Further to the update under ER5.1, the Local Plan Inspectors wrote to the Council following the end of Q3 on 5th February 2024, confirming they have granted a 7 month pause to allow the Council, National Highways, Gloucestershire County Council and South Gloucestershire Council to progress the Joint Action Plan. This will then be followed by a 6-week consultation on the outputs. The Inspectors will then recommence the Examination.</p>		
Any actions or recommendations for Environment Committee		
Report submitted by	Hannah Barton	
Date of report	11 March 2024	


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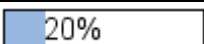
EC1.1	Set up a 2030 Core Group to provide high level strategic overview on delivery, identify funding opportunities and develop communication and community engagement	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 50px; height: 15px; background-color: #5da5da; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">100%</div>	Completed. A new action (ER1.1a) has been included resulting from the merge of EC1.1 and EC1.3 to ensure continued reporting on the work in this area.
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs		

EC1.1a	Facilitate continued community engagement through the established 2030 Community Engagement Board to support the delivery of the 2030 Strategy		<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 50px; height: 15px; background-color: #5da5da; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">20%</div>	
Assigned To	Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs			
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: 2030 Community Engagement Board has continued to meet and is currently reviewing its priorities and areas for focus in 2024/25.			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	<i>This milestone will be reviewed once the new Climate Change and Sustainability Manager is in post:</i>	No		
	Work of the Community Engagement Board summarised in Annual 2030 report for 2023/24 to be published in Spring 2024 and annually thereafter.			

EC1.2	Establish the performance management of the 2030 Strategy across the organisation to monitor and review progress towards the Strategy's aims and commitments	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 50px; height: 15px; background-color: #5da5da; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">100%</div>	Completed and closed.
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs		

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EC1.3	Plan and implement the community engagement aspect of the Strategy, to include a 2030 community website and direct activities with residents, linking to the Community Engagement Strategy (CW3.1)	 100% Completed and merged with EC1.1 (EC1.1a).
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Liz Shellam; Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs	

EC1.5	Explore and progress additional projects for carbon reduction and /or biodiversity net gain and funding opportunities to deliver them.		 20%
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs		
Sub Action	EC1.5.1 Identify funding opportunities for carbon reduction projects	15%	Q3 2023/24: Currently exploring funding opportunities with Climate Leadership Gloucestershire and partner authorities, to provide funding to continue and develop county wide retrofit projects for domestic properties.
	EC1.5.2 Identify funding opportunities for biodiversity net gain projects	25%	<p>Q3 2023/24: A funding request has been included in the budget for a new post in Development Management, to assist with new BNG requirements expected to come into force in early 2024.</p> <p>More widely on biodiversity, guidance has been issued to parish and town councils on the preparation of local biodiversity plans, and funding has been requested to put in place biodiversity management plans for Selsley Common, Stratford Park and Stringers Wood. We have also identified areas of council owned land to improve biodiversity by introducing different management regimes</p>
Performance Indicator Linked	<i>Please note, these PIs will be reviewed once the new Climate Change and Sustainability Manager is in post:</i>		
	EC1.5a Money leveraged through successful funding bids and level of associated council investment approved by Councillors		
	EC1.5b Number of additional projects established or supported with an estimate given of bio-diversity net gain and / or carbon savings that will be achieved.		
	EC1.5c Number of external projects worked on with partners for carbon reduction		


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EC2.1	Work with partners to boost biodiversity by developing the Gloucestershire Local Nature Recovery Strategy and delivering its objectives through a district-wide Local Nature Recovery Action Plan, working with stakeholders			20%
Assigned To	Rebecca Charley; Conrad Moore			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Publication of Gloucestershire biodiversity net gain guidance	Yes	30-Nov-2023	Q3 2023/24: The Biodiversity Net Gain guidance has been written and published, with all the Local Authorities in Gloucestershire using the guidance. There will be minor updates to the guidance once the Government has finally laid before Parliament the SI and the commencement date for the legislation has been confirmed.
	Progress on recreation and mitigation strategy works for the Severn Estuary, Rodborough Common and Cotswold Beechwoods	No	31-Mar-2024	Q3 2023/24: Severn Estuary Mitigation workshops have been held with stakeholders and local authorities in September and October. Draft Mitigation Strategy has been produced. Feedback is currently under consideration. Rodborough Common and Beechwoods Mitigation Strategies were adopted Oct 2021. Mitigation funding is being secured through Development Management and Governance matters in progress.
	Adoption of Severn Estuary Mitigation Strategy	No	01-Apr-2024	Q3 2023/24: Draft has been circulated. 2nd draft planned for Feb '24. Draft will go to Environment Committee Spring '24.
	District document developed, aligned with Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24: SDC Nature Recovery Action Plan will be produced following the publication of the Gloucestershire Local Nature Recovery Strategy, in Autumn 2024. Draft guidance on additional biodiversity duties for Town and Parish Councils was issued to all SDC parishes in December '23. Further training for T&PCs is being developed (for delivery by Spring '24) to assist with the development of their nature

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				recovery action plans.
	Implement recreational pressure mitigation identified within the adopted strategies (SPA, RAMSAR, SAC site strategies)	No	31-Mar-2026	
Performance Indicator Linked	EC2.1a Achieve a minimum of 10% biodiversity net gain (BNG) from new developments	<i>The start date for this PI has been postponed to 1 February 2024 due to legislation still going through parliament.</i>		
		<i>These PIs are being reviewed to provide better alignment with the emerging Local Nature Recovery Strategy. Updated PIs will be provided in 2024:</i>		
	EC2.1b Increase in average insect biomass - based on Bug Life Citizen Science project data			
	EC2.1c Extent of strategic gaps in GI network			

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EC2.2	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.		<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; display: inline-block; background-color: #e0e0e0;">100%</div> Completed and closed. Ongoing performance will be measured using the PIs below.
Assigned To	Maria Hickman		
Performance Indicator Linked	EC2.2a Number of interventions installed as part of the natural flood management project	2023/24: 100	
	EC2.2b Number of landowners engaged with the natural flood management project	<p style="text-align: center;">Q3 2023/24 result</p> 	<p>The third quarter is peak site work season for natural flood management and works were completed on two sites. Firstly, in Kingscote Woods in Horsley our work restored the stream back to its original position on the floodplain to allow water to spread across the area creating wetland or wet woodland. We implemented what is known as a stage “0” approach. This is where we fill in the existing artificial channel or bypass the existing channel and allow the water to find its own way across the floodplain. The project benefits include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The creation of a large and locally significant area of wetland /wet woodland resulting from the spreading of both low and high flows across the floodplain. • Significant benefits for downstream communities as the existing straight ditches convey high flows at significant speed and volume through the woodland, increasing flood risk for the town of Nailsworth. Allowing High flows to spread across the floodplain will slow flows and reduce peak flows through the woodland and into the valley. • Increased aquifer recharge -This will occur in periods of high flows as we expect significant infiltration through the floodplain into the aquifer under high flow conditions. • In summary, we created 2.7Ha of new wet woodland /floodplain wetland habitat in two distinct areas, improved approx. 800m of

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			<p>stream habitat and added over 100 LWD structures. The second work site was a phase 2 of works at Hammonds Farm in the Painswick Valley. Here, we have created a series of large interventions on the floodplain of the lower Painswick Stream using Ash and Alder trees. Approx 25 tree trunks have been kept whole and laid at right angles to the flow of the stream to attenuate flood waters on the floodplain and allow sediment and silt to drop out of the reduced flows created by the trees.</p> <p>Finally, we have agreed to hold an event during Stroud Film Festival to showcase the art, poetry and films we have commissioned. The event will be held on March 9th at the Museum in the Park.</p>
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EC2.3	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				0%
Assigned To	Conrad Moore				
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note	
	District document developed, aligned with Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24 - This is linked with local nature recovery strategy. A mapping exercise is underway to identify strategic habitat locations within the district. This will complement the county development work.	
	Progress with tree planting schemes	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24 - This is under review, to determine if accurate information can be recorded. SDC is not party to all planting projects.	
	Publication of Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24 - Woodland habitat mapping is being incorporated into the Gloucestershire and SDC local nature recovery strategy.	
Performance Indicator Linked	EC2.3a Increase canopy cover in Stroud District, towards the target of 20% county wide coverage by 2030	<p><i>The measurement of tree canopy could be taken from Google aerial images, but any canopy measurements would not show sufficient change to measure more frequently than every 5 years at most. This is always subject to climatic influence at the time of the images used.</i></p> <p><i>The measurement of area planted could be used, but this does not necessarily reflect the benefit of such planting because it is important to ensure the right trees are planted in the right place and any planting does not cause a loss of other important habitat. This would be better linked with the Local Nature Recovery Strategy indicator, aiming at minimising the GI spaces, and joining up the key habitats, woodlands being one of those.</i></p>			
	EC2.3b Amount of land (hectares) subject to new tree planting				
	EC2.3c Canopy cover as a % of District				

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EC2.4	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			0%
Assigned To	Rebecca Charley; Mike Towson			
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Agreement to not mow around trees to be implemented from 2024 cutting season. Good progress being made.			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Green Spaces Action Plan developed based on county-wide Nature Recovery Strategy	No	31-Mar-2023	Q3 2023/24: A mapping exercise to identify the strategic habitat corridors across Stroud District is taking place Jan '24. This will link to the Gloucestershire LNRS and help identify GI gaps in the network. A draft "SDC Managed Land" guidance note has been prepared and is awaiting response. Plans are being prepared for appointing an ecologist to prepare habitat management plans for Stringers Woods, Selsley Common and Stratford Park. (if the funding is confirmed as available).
	Develop and implement plans for expansion of No Mow May for 2024	No	31-May-2024	Q3 2023/24: Starting to look for alternatives to pesticide use in line with Council motion. Also started work to increase wildflower areas and slowly shifting some areas away from normal amenity grass cutting. No Mow May 2024 being planned.

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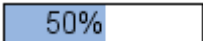
EC2.5	Use, promote and support the Building with Nature standards for Local Plan sites and key regeneration sites across the district			0%
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Ali Fisk; Tom Ridley			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Building with Nature Standards endorsed in the Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24: Work on the Gloucestershire LNRS is in progress and will incorporate the Building with Nature Standards
	District document developed endorsing Building with Nature Standards	No	30-Jun-2025	Q3 2023/24: The district document will follow the County wide Local Nature Recovery Strategy and will similarly endorse the Building with Nature Standards. This is expected to be finalised during 2025.
	Work with partners to promote the use of Building with Nature Standards	No	31-Mar-2026	Q3 2023/24: 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.
Performance Indicator Linked	<i>These PIs will be in place once the Local Plan has been adopted:</i>			
	EC2.5 % of strategic sites in the Local Plan that incorporate the Building with Nature standards			
	EC2.5b Number of development sites (total area) in the district delivering Building with Nature standards			

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EC3.5	Develop planning policies and developer guidance to enable all new buildings to achieve a net zero carbon standard.	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 20px; height: 20px; background-color: #4f81bd; margin-right: 5px;"></div> 100% </div> <p>Completed and replaced with EC3.5a</p>
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Tom Ridley	

EC3.5a	Produce supplementary guidance and work with developers to enable all new buildings to achieve a net zero carbon standard			<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 20px; height: 20px; border: 1px solid black; margin-right: 5px;"></div> 0% </div>
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Tom Ridley			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Develop programme of support for developers to deliver standards	No	31-Dec-2024	
	Publish supplementary guidance	No	30-Sep-2024	Q3 2023/24: Work will commence on a supplementary planning document once the Local Plan Inspectors indicate that the draft policies are sound. Any new document will need to have regard to the new planning regime that is being introduced through the Levelling Up and Regeneration Act.
Performance Indicator Linked	EC3.5 Number of new dwellings that have achieved a net zero carbon standard by 2026			

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EC4.1	Support a shift towards active modes of travel by working with the County Council and parish councils to increase use of an enhanced strategic and local walking and cycling network			
Assigned To	Simon Maher			
Latest Note	<p>Q3 2023/24: Both local and strategic projects continue to be funded. Of note for Q3 23/24 is the allocation of funds to Gloucestershire County Council in combination with CIL contributions to deliver a section of the Gloucestershire cycle spine at Standish. On a local level, footpaths in Cam and Woodchester have been improved with accessibility and resurfacing work.</p> <p>Collaborative work with GCC continues to progress following funding allocations for cycling and walking design work in Cainscross, Cam and Dursley and the proposed Wotton-Kingswood-Charfield greenway.</p> <p>Plans to host another Walking and Cycling event for Parish Councils, relevant organisations and stakeholders is in the pipeline. This is to be organised in collaboration with GRCC and other SDC officers.</p> <p>Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC) have been commissioned to promote the Walking and Cycling fund to Parish Councils.</p>			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Develop a dedicated walking and cycling page on the council's website where community design guidance and other tools can be used to support the development of local projects	No	31-Mar-2024	Discussions have taken place to do this in collaboration with other service areas with an interest in active travel. Webpage development on hold until IT complete the upgrade of the web hosting system.
	Develop and deliver a promotional campaign to encourage and support parish councils to make funding bids for local walking and cycling projects	No	31-Mar-2024	Gloucestershire Rural Community Council (GRCC) have been commissioned to promote the Walking and Cycling fund to Parish Councils. They have had 8 group discussions and sent out funding application forms and promotional flyers.
	Allocate funding to deliver improved and new priority strategic and local walking and cycling schemes	No	31-Mar-2026	Both local and strategic projects continue to be funded. Of note for Q3 23/24 is the allocation of funds to Gloucestershire County Council in combination with CIL contributions to deliver a section of the Gloucestershire cycle spine at Standish. On a local level, footpaths in Cam and Woodchester have been improved with

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				accessibility and resurfacing work.																	
	Develop and deliver promotional events and activities to encourage communities to take up active travel modes of transport	No	31-Mar-2026	Plans to host another Walking and Cycling event for Parish Councils, relevant organisations and stakeholders is in the pipeline. This is to be organised in collaboration with GRCC and other SDC officers.																	
	Provide input to GCC to aid the production of LCWIPs and the delivery of active travel projects	No	31-Mar-2026	Continue to work collaboratively with GCC Officers. No LCWIP updates for Q3 23/24. A county wide rural LCWIP is being worked on by GCC.																	
Performance Indicator Linked	EC4.1b Number of new or improved facilities such as cycle lanes, cycle tracks, walking trails																				
	EC4.1c Amount of funding allocated to and spent on improved and new strategic and local walking and cycling schemes			<p>Q3 2023/24 result £44,600.00</p> <p>Trend Chart</p> <table border="1"> <caption>Trend Chart Data</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Quarter</th> <th>Funding (£)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Q4 2021/22</td> <td>£0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q1 2022/23</td> <td>£2,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q2 2022/23</td> <td>£40,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q3 2022/23</td> <td>£5,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q4 2022/23</td> <td>£8,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q1 2023/24</td> <td>£8,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q2 2023/24</td> <td>£8,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q3 2023/24</td> <td>£44,600.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Quarter	Funding (£)	Q4 2021/22	£0.00	Q1 2022/23	£2,000.00	Q2 2022/23	£40,000.00	Q3 2022/23	£5,000.00	Q4 2022/23	£8,000.00	Q1 2023/24	£8,000.00	Q2 2023/24	£8,000.00	Q3 2023/24
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EC4.2	In partnership with GCC 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			80%
Assigned To	Simon Maher; Conrad Moore			
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Continue to work with GCC to look for opportunities to improve public transport and active travel links.			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Endorsement of Gloucestershire Decarbonisation Statement of Intent	Yes	30-Sep-2023	Q3 2023/23 - Planning Strategy have endorsed this statement in Jan 2023. Accompanying Annex agreed Oct 2023.
	Input into Gloucestershire Decarbonisation Strategy	Yes	Completed 17-Jan-2024	Q3 2023/24: Input throughout the work. Strategy now endorsed.
	Publicity campaign promoting the use of public transport and links to active travel across the district	No	01-Apr-2025	
Performance Indicator Linked	<i>Currently looking into the availability of the data for these PIs and the frequency of capture.</i>			
	EC4.2a Percentage of trips taken by public transport			
	EC4.2b Co2/greenhouse gas emissions from transport			
	EC4.2c Number and frequency of public transport services			
	EC4.2d Number of public transport hubs			

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EC4.3	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.		30%
Assigned To	Mike Towson		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: 50% grant funding from OZEV has been awarded in line with the previous committee/council report. This has secured the final necessary funding, after members approved the SDC capital funding contribution. The project will now move to the implementation phase after an official call off contract is entered in to. This is currently between One Legal and the legal team at GCC, who have prepared the procurement framework for SDC to use.		
Sub Action	EC4.3.1 Work with partners to expand the network of EV charging points and increase support for low carbon transport, and a reduction in private car use	60%	Q3 2023/24: Grant application in line with committee/council reports under consideration. Outcome expected soon, which will hopefully allow swift rollout of EVCPs in car parks as previously reported.
	EC4.3.2 Explore measures to reduce air pollution such as no-idling zones	0%	
Performance Indicator Linked	EC4.3 Number of EV charge points installed in SDC car parks	<i>This PI will not start collecting data until 1 January 2024 as plans for EV charging points were only approved at the end of 2023.</i>	

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EC5.1	Further reduce the quantity of resources discarded as waste and minimise its environmental impact.		55%
Assigned To	Mike Towson		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Resident engagement set to increase with new Waste Education Officer.		
Sub Action	EC5.1.1 Deliver 'Repair' campaigns via Gloucestershire Resources and Waste Partnership	55%	Q3 2023/24: Joint Gloucestershire PR campaigns ongoing with themes for 24/25 being set out in a marketing plan.
Performance Indicator Linked	EC5.1 (NI191) Number of Kilograms of residual household waste collected per household	<p>Q3 2023/24 result</p> <p>63 — 80 40 — 74.13 — 90</p>	

EC5.2	Work with our partner Ubico to identify joint opportunities for carbon reduction projects in household collection and management of public spaces.		60%
Assigned To	Mike Towson		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: HVO change making good progress.		
Sub Action	EC5.2.1 Use of HVO fuel fully rolled out on Ubico contract	60%	Q3 2023/24: HVO tank being procured.
Performance Indicator Linked	EC5.2a Number of carbon reduction projects scoped with Ubico, including analysis of potential carbon saving	Q3 2023: 1	
	EC5.2b Number of Ubico vehicles using HVO fuel	<i>The start date for this PI is 1 April 2024 as agreed in the project plan.</i>	

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EC5.3	Support the phasing out of single use plastics in the district and encourage and support local initiatives to 'reduce, repair and recycle'.		30%																											
Assigned To	Mike Towson																													
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Action planning meeting scheduled. Waste Education Officer to assist in driving agenda.																													
Sub Action	EC5.3.1 Create an Action plan based on facilities audits undertaken in 2023 and deliver against objectives	40%	Q3 2023/24: An officer review meeting took place on 25 January and an action plan is being developed in Q4.																											
	EC5.3.2 Develop local initiatives to promote "reduce, reuse and recycle"	20%	Q3 2023/24: Funding secured for drinking stations. Waste Education Officer to move project forward.																											
Performance Indicator Linked	EC5.3 Percentage of plastic as a part of the overall composition of dry mixed recycling, against a 2020/21 baseline.		<p>Q3 2023/24: 30.74%</p> <p>Trend Chart</p> <table border="1"> <caption>Quarterly Values and Target Data</caption> <thead> <tr> <th>Quarter</th> <th>Quarterly Values (%)</th> <th>Quarterly Target (%)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Q4 2021/22</td> <td>~28</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q1 2022/23</td> <td>~30</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q2 2022/23</td> <td>~25</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q3 2022/23</td> <td>~29</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q4 2022/23</td> <td>~29</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q1 2023/24</td> <td>~33</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q2 2023/24</td> <td>~38</td> <td>30</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Q3 2023/24</td> <td>30.74</td> <td>30</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Quarter	Quarterly Values (%)	Quarterly Target (%)	Q4 2021/22	~28	30	Q1 2022/23	~30	30	Q2 2022/23	~25	30	Q3 2022/23	~29	30	Q4 2022/23	~29	30	Q1 2023/24	~33	30	Q2 2023/24	~38	30	Q3 2023/24	30.74	30
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EC5.4	Continue to increase recycling rates across the district.		30%
Assigned To	Mike Towson		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Waste Education Officer now in post. Engagement and projects to commence immediately. Impacts to be closely monitored.		
Sub Action	EC5.4.1 Introduce an additional material that can be collected at kerbside for recycling and develop communication plan to promote new material for recycling	30%	Q3 2023/24: Waste Education Officer now in post to drive this forward.
Performance Indicator Linked	EC5.4 (NI192) Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting	<p>Q2 2023/24 result</p> <p>59% 56% 40% 58.36% 80%</p> <p><i>Figures for this PI are supplied by Gloucestershire County Council, and we await Q3's figures to be supplied</i></p>	
EC6.1	Continue to increase renewable generation in the district and to decarbonise existing networks, and support community-owned renewable energy schemes		60%
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Georgia Spooner; Jenny Youngs		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Funding Opportunity from South West Net Zero Hub for community energy projects shared with partners including local energy groups and town and parish councils.		
Performance Indicator Linked	<i>Please note these PIs will be reviewed once the new Climate Change and Sustainability Manager is in post:</i>		
	EC6.1a Number of community owned or other renewable energy schemes supported by the council		
	EC6.1b Reported carbon saved/avoided		

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EC6.2	Deliver the water source heat pump projects at Ebley and Brimscombe Port Mills	100%
Assigned To	Ali Fisk	
Performance Indicator Linked	EC6.2 At least 97 tonnes of carbon saved per annum for Ebley and Brimscombe Port Mills combined	

EC6.3	Increase the proportion of Council and partner fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon technologies.	0%		
Assigned To	Mike Towson			
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: Ubico fleet renewal taking place in line with Interim Fleet Procurement Strategy, agreed at committee in March 23.			
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note
	Full introduction of HVO as an alternative to diesel	No		Q3 2023/24: The use of HVO has been approved by committee with capital provision in place to mobilise. A new HVO tank is being procured with a view to commencing use by Apr 2024.
	Investigate feasibility of supply capacity upgrade, or PV and battery storage at Gossington Depot to enable further EV expansion on Ubico fleet	No	31-Mar-2026	Q2 Facilities Team to engage supply specialist to scope potential projects in the first instance. Fleet procurement decisions dictate that existing onsite EV chargers will be fully utilised in 2024 so further supply options are required for further expansion.
Performance Indicator Linked	EC6.3 % of fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon tech	Q1 2023/24: 13%		

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ER5.1	Progress the Local Plan through public examination and secure its adoption.				0%
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Tom Ridley				
Milestones	Milestone Description	Completion Y/N	Milestone Due Date	Latest Milestone Note	
	Local Plan adopted within 3 months of receiving the Inspector’s Report	No	31-Dec-2024	<p>Q3 2023/24: The Local Plan hearing sessions ended for a summer break at the end of June 2023. In August 2023 the Inspectors wrote to the Council identifying some areas of concern relating to the strategic road network and the two new settlements. The Council responded on 29 August and 12 September requesting a six month pause to address the concerns raised.</p> <p>The Inspectors wrote to the Council in August requesting SDC, NH, SCG and GCC produce a Joint Action Plan setting out the work to be undertaken in the pause. This was submitted 29/11/23. The Inspectors responded 18/12/24 requesting clarity on a number of points, SDC responded 19/1/24. SDC are currently awaiting the final Inspectors decision on granting the pause.</p>	
	Local Plan recommended for adoption by Government Inspector	No	31-Dec-2024		

ER5.2	Support the delivery of strategic site allocations contained within the local plan and the key infrastructure required to support it.				20%
Assigned To	Brendan Cleere; Tom Ridley				
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: The Local Planning Authority has received a number of planning applications relating to the strategic site Local Plan allocations. Detailed assessment of these applications is continuing, pending a decision in principle from the Local Plan process.				
Performance Indicator Linked	ER5.2a Number of houses built annually compared with Local Plan requirements	<p>2022/23 result</p> <p>400 500 600 800</p> <p>632</p>			

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ER5.3	Work with parish councils to encourage and support local communities to develop Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders, thereby increasing community planning activities		50%
Assigned To	Simon Maher		
Latest Note	Q3 2023/24: 2 NDPs have progressed to examination with a view to referendum and full adoption in May 2024. 2 further NDPs are progressing to first draft consultation phase, while 2 previously adopted NDPs are in the process of undertaking a plan review.		
Sub Action	ER5.3.1 Develop and deliver a promotional campaign to encourage and support parish councils to develop neighbourhood planning initiatives by March 2024	50%	Q3 2023/34: Gloucestershire Rural Community Council, as part of their SLA with SDC, have been holding workshops with Towns and Parishes, establishing whether NDPs will benefit their area.
Performance Indicator Linked	ER5.3 Number of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders progressed or reviewed	Q3 2023/24 result 3	