



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## COMMUNITY SERVICES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

### OFFICER REPORT

<b>NAME OF ORGANISATION/BODY</b>	Stroud District Council
<b>DATE OF LAST MEETING ATTENDED</b>	March 2025
<b>BRIEF REPORT:</b>	
<b>Decarbonisation of Stratford Park Leisure Centre, the Museum in the Park, Stroud and The Pulse, Dursley.</b>	
<b>1. Introduction</b>	
<p>1.1. The purpose of this report is to update members on the current position and progress with the installation of Air Source Heat Pumps at Stratford Park Leisure Centre and the Museum in the Park, Stroud and The Pulse, Dursley; following Council's decision to accept the Salix Grant and provide match funding to deliver the project at its meeting on 16 February 2023.</p>	
<p>1.1. The project supports the council's 2030 Strategy and its commitment to be an exemplar in investing in its own property and changing its policies and practices to achieve carbon neutrality.</p>	
<p>1.2. This proposal is also in accordance with the adopted Council Plan and specifically seeks to support the delivery of objectives EC1.5; Explore and progress additional projects for carbon reduction, complements the One Public Estate project; retrofitting of public buildings (EC3.2) and (CW4.1) helping to make our Leisure provision fit for the future.</p>	
<b>2. Progress</b>	
<p>2.1. The installation is complete, Practical Completion has been achieved and the system remains operational as expected.</p>	
<p>2.2. Some minor project snagging items remain. The contractor will be responsible for the maintenance and servicing of the new equipment over the 12 months following practical completion.</p>	
<b>3. Budget</b>	
<p>There is a reduced forecast overspend of £50k. The overspend has been minimised by amendments to the scope of works and stringent contract management.</p>	
<b>4. Main Risks</b>	
<p>4.1. Service standard during the defects liability period. The contractor will be expected to act promptly to any issues with the systems for the duration of the defects liability period. Centre staff have been made aware of call out procedures and SDC contract managers will continue to oversee the project until the end of defects period.</p>	



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#### 5. Salix Grant

5.1. The projects will be monitored with annual reports sent to Salix over the next three years, demonstrating system efficiency and carbon savings compared against the old gas boiler systems.

#### 6. Next Steps

6.1. Regular maintenance period, including monitoring system efficiency.

#### 7. Key Milestones:

Delivery Milestone	Provisional Completion Date	Actual completion date
Project Approval (Council)	16/02/2023	16/02/2023
Pre-Design Stage	27/02/2023	27/02/2023
Tender documents finalised	13/03/2023	13/03/2023
Out to tender	20/03/2023	17/03/2023
Tenders complete	05/05/2023	24/05/2023
Orders placed	22/05/2023 01/07/2023	01/07/2023
Work in progress on site	29/05/2023 10/07/2023	11/07/2023
The Pulse works substantively completed on site (excluding DNO works and commissioning)	15/02/2024 11/03/2024	21/03/2024
SPLC: works substantively completed on site (excluding DNO works & commissioning)	19/01/2024 26/03/2024	21/03/2024
MITP: works substantively completed on site (excluding DNO work and commissioning)	26/01/2024	21/03/2024
Final commissioning once DNO works completed	14/06/2024 07/10/2024	18/10/2024
Key: Completed		



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#### 8. Comms

8.1. Plans are to be agreed for any additional promotional material, including the creation of promotional videos and fixed information boards on completion of the project.

<b>FUTURE MEETINGS</b>	
<b>REPORT SUBMITTED BY</b>	Edward White, Project Manager New Homes and Regeneration
<b>DATE</b>	27/02/2025