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Performance Monitoring Report Q3: Environment Committee

Date of Meeting	30 March 2023	
Performance Monitors & Officer(s)	Councillors: Chloe Turner; Christopher Evans Lead Officer: Brendan Cleere	
Performance Update <i>(See report below for details)</i>		
Council Plan Priorities	Summary:	Progress & RAG Status
	Action Plans (21):	20 On Target
		1 Completed EC1.2
Council Plan Performance Measures	Summary:	Progress & RAG Status
	Milestones (26):	19 On Target
		6 Completed
		1 Not started
	Performance Indicators (20):	2 Reported for Q2:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » CDPEC2.2a On Target » CDPEC2.2b Above target » CDPEC5.1 Above target » CDPEC5.3 Above target » CDPEC5.4 Below target (Q1 data) 		
	15 Not yet available (commentary provided)	
Reports being presented to this Committee associated with Council Plan:	None	
Risks	Corporate Risk Register presented to Audit & Standards Committee.	

Risk Code	Risk	Lead Officer	Probability	Severity	Score	Controls with RAG Status & Control Owner	Risk Target	Date For Review
CCR9	Statutory changes to waste legislation could mandate waste	Mike Towson	3	2	6	1. Monitor and manage new garden waste customer requests to maximise revenue from the service. Mike Towson 2. Effective management of UBICO contract. Mike Towson	2	24/04/2023

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CCR18	The loss of income from recycling / incentive credits and the potential for increased costs of recycle processing.	Mike Towson	2	3	6	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Effective management of the UBICO contract</td> <td>Mike Towson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Keeping up to date with emerging legislative changes and good practice.</td> <td>Mike Towson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MRF Contract - the value of recylates collected by the Council are determined by industry benchmarks, this may have an impact of the amount received (income) or the costs incurred of disposal</td> <td>Mike Towson</td> </tr> <tr> <td>To keep lines of communication open with the County Council to maximise the lead in time for any changes to payment received</td> <td>Mike Towson</td> </tr> </table>	Effective management of the UBICO contract	Mike Towson	Keeping up to date with emerging legislative changes and good practice.	Mike Towson	MRF Contract - the value of recylates collected by the Council are determined by industry benchmarks, this may have an impact of the amount received (income) or the costs incurred of disposal	Mike Towson	To keep lines of communication open with the County Council to maximise the lead in time for any changes to payment received	Mike Towson	3	20/03/2023
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

Relevant finance issues	See Environment Committee Budget monitoring report Q2 2022/23
Any other service issues considered at the meeting (eg staffing / resources)	N/A for this meeting
Follow up (any issues for consideration at the next meeting)	N/A for this meeting

Any issues of significant concern to be reported to Audit and Standards	
No	
Any actions/recommendations for the Committee	
None – the report is for note and any questions. A number of the deadlines for actions have been altered where indicated (*), with an explanation provided in the ‘comments’ column. A review of the Council Plan Performance Management approach is currently being undertaken, with a report to Committee and Full Council in Autumn 2023.	
Report submitted by	Cllrs Chloe Turner and Christopher Evans
Date of report	March 2023




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Action Plans, Milestones & Indicators (66)

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



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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	31/03/2024	90	Rachel Brain	On Target 	25/01/2023: Quarter 3: The 2030 Community Engagement Board fulfil the core group function and are working on their plans for 2023
» EC1.1.1	Establish the Community Engagement Board with a cross-section of community members.	31/03/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed 	10/10/2022: The Community Engagement Board was established before the deadline and is operating successfully
» EC1.1.2	Community Governance Group work plan identified and reviewed quarterly by Spring 2022	31/03/2023	75	Rachel Brain	On Target 	25/01/2023: Work with the facilitator continues and the group have begun to consider how the individual action areas they have identified can be joined up for greater impact.
» EC1.1.3	Community Governance Group progress to plan included to 2030 annual reporting to Full Council in October	31/03/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed 	10/10/2022: Completed in 2022. Annual reports will continue to be submitted in Spring each year.
» EC1.1.4	Participation in Climate Leadership Gloucestershire Group and leader / convenor of retrofit theme (C)	31/03/2024	100	Rachel Brain	Completed 	10/10/2022: SDC is leading on the retrofit theme and presents regular updates to Climate Leadership Gloucestershire.
» CDPEC1.1	% 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:	The Community Engagement Board has been established (EC 1.1.1) and a meaningful target for this KPI is currently under review. The workplan for CEB will be shared

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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	31/12/2022	100	Rachel Brain	Completed 	18/10/2022: Quarter 2: Quarter 2: We continue to report via the council plan and excelsis
EC1.5	Explore and progress additional projects for carbon reduction and /or biodiversity net gain and funding opportunities to deliver them.	31/03/2026	50	Rachel Brain	On Target 	25/01/2023: Quarter 3: Current development work is focused on retrofit with bids in progress for affordable warmth (HUG/SHDF); Own estates (PSDF) and work with householders (UKSPF/MCS Trust)
» EC1.5.1	Money leveraged through successful funding bids and level of associated council investment approved by Councillors £s (ongoing 2026)	31/03/2025	20	Rachel Brain	On Target 	25/01/2023: We are currently in bidding processes for funds through Home Upgrade Grants and Social Housing Decarbonisation Funds and reprofiling a grant proposal which has been offered a partial award towards working with private householders.
» CDPEC1.5 (C)	Number of external projects SDC has worked on with partners for carbon reduction (C)	N/A	N/A	Jenny Youngs	Target: Actual:	KPI and progress against it under review as projects specifically linked to carbon reduction as a primary purpose are few and we are working to orientating all council projects to limit carbon through design stage but it will only be possible to monitor carbon reductions in a very small number of cases.
» CDPEC1.5a	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:	KPI and progress against it under review in consideration of the parameters for which project development areas should be in focus.
» CDPEC1.5b	Number of additional projects established or supported with an estimate given of bio-diversity net gain and / or carbon savings that will be achieved.	N/A	N/A	Jenny Youngs	Target: Actual:	KPI and progress against it under review, to bring in line with metrics that are available to us.

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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
EC2.1	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.	31/09/2024*	25	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: <i>*NB Deadline for completion moved to end Sept 2024 (from March 2024), to coincide with Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy</i> . In Gloucestershire work is progressing. The NRN mapping together with the Ecosystem service mapping on the Natural Capital pages will be used as the mapping for the Local Nature Recovery Strategies. Discussions are progressing with Gloucestershire Local Nature Partnership (LNP) and Gloucestershire Nature and Climate Fund (GNCF) to develop a full understanding of the potential to achieve the biodiversity net gain uplift.
» EC2.1.1	District document developed, aligned with Gloucestershire Nature Recovery Strategy	31/09/2024*	55	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: <i>*NB Deadline for completion moved to end Sept 2024, from March 2023, to align with timetable for Gloucestershire NRS</i> . Evidence gathering with a wide range of District and County stakeholders is taking place.





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» EC2.1.2	Progress on recreation and mitigation strategy works for the Severn Estuary, Rodborough Common and Cotswold Beechwoods	31/03/2024	90	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: Severn Estuary Visitor Report published, and mitigation workshops anticipated for Summer 2023. Cotswolds Beechwoods Final Mitigation Strategy & Rodborough Common Final Mitigation Strategy adopted 07.10.22. Work progressing on governance structures.
» CDPEC2.1(C)	Hectarage of re-wilded land	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Work on the Nature Recovery Strategy has yet to develop meaningful targets for delivery.
» CDPEC2.1a	Number of re-wilding and bio-diversity partnerships and projects supported.	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	Work on the Nature Recovery Strategy has yet to develop meaningful targets for delivery.
» CDPEC2.1b	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:	Work on the Nature Recovery Strategy has yet to develop meaningful targets for delivery.


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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.	31/03/2026	75	Maria Hickman	On Target 	21/02/2023: Quarter 3: In Q3 , the project concentrated on construction on interventions at a number of sites in the Slad and Painswick Valleys. A series of low earth bunds were installed into the upper Dillay valley in an area of significant surface flows. These works included breaking up field drains to create a number of ponds and new habitat features and the installation of new attenuation areas in steep gulleys. Work in the Painswick valley included the restoration and de-culverting of a stream lost approx. 50 years ago and the creation of a 340m cross contour earth bund to attenuate surface flows. This will be planted with a new hedge. Additional works are planned on both sites later in 2023. Finally, new structures were installed at Cranham Scout Centre utilising dying and dangerous Ash trees. Monitoring equipment has been installed at one significant site in the Nailsworth Valley, to collect pre-installation data to add to our evidence base.
» CDPEC2.2a	Number of interventions installed as part of the natural flood management project	N/A	N/A	Maria Hickman	Target: 2 Actual: 2 	50 interventions installed across 4 projects
» CDPEC2.2b	Number of landowners engaged with the natural flood management project	N/A	N/A	Maria Hickman	Target: 5 Actual: 12 	The NFM project continues to progress well, attracting interest and participation locally and further afield.


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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.	31/09/2024*	40	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: <i>NB Deadline for completion moved to end Sept 2024 (from March 2023) to align with Nature Recovery Strategy timeline.</i> County wide collaboration and discussions continue on implementation and future monitoring through Gloucestershire LNP and the GNCF.
» EC2.3.1	Increase canopy cover in Stroud District, towards the target of 20% county wide coverage by 2030 (interim targets for Stroud District will be identified)	31/09/2024*	30	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: <i>NB Deadline for completion moved to end Sept 2024 (from March 2023) to align with Nature Recovery Strategy timeline.</i> Co-ordination regarding potential funding and delivery of tree planting schemes and the establishment of actions and targets is ongoing.
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.	31/03/2024*	20	Mike Towson	On Target 	23/01/2023: <i>NB deadline extended to 2024 from March 2023.</i> Quarter 3: Verge cutting undertaken on behalf of GCC will be reduced from 10 cuts per annum to 6 cuts per annum. The Forum meeting scheduled on 8th December was changed and therefore further consultation with T&PCs is required to determine if any other areas are to have reduced cuts in the interests of biodiversity. Details of weedkiller use added to SDC website. No Mow May to be promoted. Date extension sought.
» EC2.4.1	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.	30/09/2024*	1	Mike Towson	On Target 	Q3: <i>NB deadline extended from 2023. This action is likely to form part of the Nature Recovery Strategy outlined in EC2.1.</i>


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EC2.5	Use the Building with Nature standards for key regeneration sites across the district	31/03/2026	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: Quarter 3: 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.
» CDPEC2.5	% of strategic sites in the Local Plan that incorporate the Building with Nature standards	N/A	N/A	Mark Russell	Target: Actual:	The draft target in the Draft Local Plan requires 2 of 12 strategic sites to meet this standard and the rest are "strongly encouraged" to meet it. The draft target has yet to be endorsed by the Inspector.

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
EC3.5	Develop planning policies and developer guidance to enable all new buildings to achieve a net zero carbon standard.	30/05/2024*	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: <i>*NB target date moved to May 2024 (from March 2023) to align with anticipated timetable for Local Plan adoption.</i> Quarter 3: 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.





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» EC3.5.1	Develop Policy and guidance by 2023	30/05/2024*	50	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: <i>*NB target date moved to May 2024 (from March 2023) to align with anticipated timetable for Local Plan adoption.</i> 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 2023. Guidance will be produced once the policies have been approved.
» CDPEC3.5	Number of new dwellings that have achieved a net zero carbon standard by 2026	N/A	N/A	Mark Russell	Target: Actual:	The draft target in the Draft Local Plan is 100% of major development (dwellings of 10+ dwellings and employment floorspace of 1000 sq.m or sites of 1 Ha or more). The draft target has yet to be endorsed by the Inspector.




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.

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EC4.1	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.	30/03/2024*	60	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: * NB completion date changed to end March 2024 from 2023, giving greater scope to utilise SDC funds allocated for 2023/24. Quarter 3: Continuing to work closely with GCC in prioritising strategic routes throughout the district and in their proposal to implement a county wide "rural" LCWIP. An inaugural county wide Cycling Forum set up by GCC, was attended. to help identify and coordinate the implementation of strategic routes across the county.
» EC4.1.1	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 	
» EC4.1.2	Allocate funding to deliver improved and new priority strategic and local walking and cycling schemes by March 2024*	31/03/2024*	75	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: NB: completion date changed to end March 2024 from 2023, giving greater scope to utilise SDC funds allocated for 2023/24. Approximately £90k of the designated £130k has been distributed
» EC4.1.3	Provide input to GCC to aid the production of LCWIPs (C)	31/03/2024*	60	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: NB date extended to coincide with previous actions. Preliminary discussion about a county wide rural LCWIP being proposed by GCC



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» EC4.1.4	Prioritise main strategic walking and cycling routes within the district, including accessibility (C)	31/03/2024*	75	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: <i>NB: date extended to coincide with previous actions.</i> Following a successful UKSPF bid of £70k, a further £75k match funding has been allocated to detailed design work for the Wotton-Kingswood-Charfield Greenway. A CIL bid for design solutions to improve Dudbridge Steps on the Stroud-Dudbridge route has been fully funded by the Walking and Cycling budget.
» EC4.1.5	Identify local cycling and walking routes which link to, or will help to deliver strategic routes (C)	31/03/2024*	40	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: <i>NB: date extended to coincide with previous actions.</i> A successful Cycling and Walking event for Parishes and local cycling groups was held in November 2023. Information regarding how to identify routes, how to initiate projects and look for funding, and how to promote cycling and walking in local areas was shared. In collaboration with the Economic Development Team, a Discover Stroud app has been launched to enable Parishes to identify and map local walking routes.
EC4.2	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	70	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: A Strategic Outline Business Case for reopening Stonehouse Station was submitted to Department for Transport on 30 September 2022. Awaiting the outcome. Sustainable Transport Study addendum completed and policies and proposals for modal shift to public transport and active travel are shortly to be examined at SDLP EIP.

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» EC4.2.1	Publicity/information campaign promoting the use of public transport and links to active travel across the district	31/03/2024*	40	Conrad Moore	On Target 	Quarter 3: <i>NB deadline extended to 2024 (from 2023) to align with previous active travel actions and new budget allocation for 2023/24.</i> Workshop took place in November 2022 to promote walking and cycling. Cycling Mayor in the process of being appointed. Discover Stroud trails app launched. Discussions progressing with GWR to develop a campaign around walking routes and itineraries from stations.
» EC4.2.2	Submission of strategic outline business case to Department for Transport for the reopening of Stonehouse Bristol Road station by September 2022	30/09/2022	80	Conrad Moore	Completed	Quarter 3: Strategic Outline Business Case submitted and awaiting outcome from Department for Transport.
» EC4.2.3	Development of a prioritised programme of investment in walking and cycling projects by March 2022	31/03/2022	100	Simon Maher	Completed 	
» CDPEC4.2a(C)	5% Increase in public transport links to walking and cycling routes year on year	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	The Draft Local Plan requires a number of strategic housing and employment allocations to include multi-modal interchanges and contributions to enhanced bus services, to ensure future bus services are connected to active travel routes. The draft requirements are yet to be approved by the Inspector. Discussions continue in various Transport Group Meetings held in District and at County.





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» CDPEC4.2b(C)	Number of new or improved facilities such as cycle lanes, cycle tracks, walking trails	N/A	N/A	Conrad Moore	Target: Actual:	See EC4.1.4 and EC 4.1.5 above. A list of all current schemes will be presented to Environment Committee during 2023.
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.	31/12/2023*	25	Mike Towson	On Target 	23/01/2023: <i>NB completion date revised to end Dec 2023 (from March 2023)</i> . Quarter 3: Report from Element received recommending a clear rollout strategy and recommendation to utilise the procurement that GCC have undertaken (available to others). This will ensure succinct rollout on street and off street. SDC await clearance to access the contract with Connected Kerb via a non disclosure agreement.
» EC4.3.1	Low Carbon Transport Strategy with agreed targets in place • Quarterly reporting to targets in the Low Carbon Transport Strategy	31/03/2024*	1	Mike Towson	On Target 	13/03/2023: <i>NB completion date moved to March 2024 from March 2023</i> . See EC4.3 update.
» CDPEC4.3	Number of EV charge points installed in SDC car parks, work with town and parish councils	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: 8 Actual: 0	Targets will be guided by the consultant's work referenced above (ED.4.3/4.3.1)



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.

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EC5.1	Further reduce the quantity of resources discarded as waste and minimise its environmental impact.	31/03/2026*	20	Mike Towson	On Target 	23/01/2023: NB completion date changed to 2026 (from 2023) as this will be a priority for the life of the Council Plan. Quarter 3: Business case for additional officer progressing via budget process. In the meantime, council tax billing process is being utilised to further promote kerbside recycling to all residents in the district. Waste wizard introduced and provoking lots of attention - tool to find out what to do with any items re: reuse, recycle etc
» CDPEC5.1, NI191	Residual household waste per household.	N/A	N/A	Gemma Webb	Target: 63 Actual: 72 	Q3 update: The inflated residual waste amounts reflect the lessening of recycling rates detailed in 5.4. The trend illustrates a post covid improvement, without returning to pre-covid levels.
EC5.2	Work with our partner Ubico to identify joint opportunities for carbon reduction projects in household collection and management of public spaces.	31/03/2025	15	Mike Towson	On Target 	23/01/2023: Quarter 3: Objective further discussed at the Service Review Working Group meeting. Introduction of HVO as alternative to diesel is a live project and a roundtable with directors is scheduled for late January. Report to be presented to Env Cttee on 30 March 2023.
» CDPEC5.2	Number of carbon reduction projects scoped with Ubico, including analysis of potential carbon saving	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: 2 Actual:	Work is under way to scope and fully cost the use of alternative to diesel fuel.
EC5.3	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	90	Mike Towson	On Target 	23/01/2023: Quarter 3: Members Information Sheet published. Continued campaign support and input to the county comms plan.



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» EC5.3.1	Local initiatives identified and promoted to reduce, reuse and recycle	31/03/2026*	90	Mike Towson	On Target 	<p>13/03/2023: <i>*NB this is a priority for the life of the Council Plan and the end date has been extended to reflect this. See update via Members Information Sheet.</i></p> <p>Officers have re-engaged with Podback to ascertain whether their funding stream might support SDC in the introduction of coffee pod recycling. Further detail will follow in due course.</p> <p>Ongoing initiatives continue as described in 5.3.</p>
» CDPEC5.3(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: 15% Actual: 18.08%	The 2020/21 baseline figure is confirmed as 17.71%. This is the proportion of plastic and hard plastic in the overall kerbside recycling composition. The figure for 2021/22 was up to 18.08%.
EC5.4	Continue to increase recycling rates across the district.	31/03/2026*	10	Mike Towson	On Target 	<p>23/01/2023: <i>*NB end date extended to 2026 from 2023 as this will be a priority for the life of the Council Plan. Quarter 3: Little change from previous update. Government guidance delay is stalling vehicle procurement which is stalling the introduction of additional materials being introduced for collection at the kerbside. Hopeful to introduce additional resource to drive resident engagement as per EC5.1.</i></p>


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» EC5.4.1	Introduction of an additional material at the kerbside	31/03/2024*	10	Mike Towson	On Target 	Q3 update: <i>NB completion date extended to 2024 from March 2023.</i> There is a clear pathway to enable this at the time of recycling fleet renewal. In the meantime coffee pod recycling is being scoped (see EC5.3.1)
» CDPEC5.4, NI192	Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting	N/A	N/A	Gemma Webb	Target: 60 Actual: 57.79 	Q3 update: Recycling rates in the district are still strong. The last audited figures for 2020/21 place SDC 14 th in England. However, there is a small but noticeable drop in rate. Measures to arrest this decline are outlined in EC5.4/EC5.4.1/EC5.1



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

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EC6.1	Continue to increase renewable generation in the district and to decarbonise existing networks, and support community-owned renewable energy schemes	31/03/2026	50	Rachel Brain	On Target 	25/01/2023: Quarter 3: SDC is working on securing further funds for own estates work to decarbonise through renewable technologies and has been pipelining funding to do so with feedback on this expected next quarter. The draft new Local Plan also includes policies to encourage renewable energy generation.
» CDPEC6.1	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:	KPI under review.
EC6.3	Increase the proportion of Council and partner fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon technologies.	31/03/2026	10	Mike Towson	On Target 	Q3 update: Fleet will be upgraded as opportunities, technology, and infrastructure allow. Further details below (CDPEC 6.3)




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» CDPEC6.3	% increase of fleet vehicles powered by zero or low carbon technologies	N/A	N/A	Mike Towson	Target: under review Actual: 13%	 Provisional percentage baseline figure entered for December 2022. This includes SDC fleet in Community Services, Contract Services and Environmental Health. It also represents the Ubico fleet that SDC own, including ride on mowers but excluding the leafing trailer. Totals: 99 Diesel 10 EV 5 Hybrid Equating to 13% of fleet being EV or low carbon.
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ER5: Strategic Plan: Adopt the new Stroud District Local Plan

Code	Action Required / Description	Deadline	% Complete	Lead Officer	Status	Comments
ER5.1	Progress the Local Plan through public examination and secure its adoption.	30/05/2024*	50	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: <i>NB deadline changed to May 2024 from Dec 2022, to reflect anticipated date of local plan adoption.</i> Quarter 3: The draft Local Plan is progressing through public examination. The Inspectors have completed their initial assessment and have published Matters, Issues and Questions for the Council to respond to. Hearing sessions have been organised for March and May 2023.
» ER5.1.1	Local Plan recommended for adoption by Government Inspector	30/05/2024*	50	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: <i>*NB Revised date of completion based on examination timetable.</i> The draft Local Plan is progressing through public examination. The Inspectors have completed their initial assessment and have published Matters, Issues and Questions for the Council to respond to. Hearing sessions have been organised for March and May 2023.

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» ER5.1.2	Local Plan adopted within 3 months of receiving the Inspector's Report	30/05/2024*	0	Mark Russell	Not Started 	Q3: <i>*Revised anticipated adoption date.</i>
ER5.2	Support the delivery of strategic site allocations contained within the local plan and the key infrastructure required to support it.	31/03/2026	70	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: Quarter 3: 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.
» ER5.2.1	Number of houses built and hectareage of employment land developed annually compared with Local Plan requirements	31/03/2026	60	Mark Russell	On Target 	04/01/2023: 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 2021/22 Housing Land Availability Report has been published and shows 771 homes were built during 2021/22 against an adopted Local Plan requirement of at least 456 homes and a draft Local Plan requirement of at least 630 homes. The 2020/22 Employment Land Availability Report has been published and shows 6.7 hectares of employment land (net) have been completed for the 2 years since 2020 against an adopted Local Plan requirement of 2.3 hectares (net) per year.

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ER5.3	Work with parish councils to develop Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders to meet local development needs.	31/03/2026	50	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: Quarter 3: Slimbridge SEA/HRA screening complete with reg 14 consultation scheduled for late January 2023. Positive preliminary meetings with Standish to progress their plan in 2023.
» ER5.3.1	Number of Neighbourhood Development Plans and Orders progressed or reviewed	31/03/2026	60	Simon Maher	On Target 	25/01/2023: Slimbridge: SEA/HRA screening complete, reg 14 due to commence late January. Standish: Positive meetings held with a view to providing ongoing assistance in the production of their NDP. Brimscombe and Thrupp: Possible reg 16 submission Q4. Chalford: A preliminary meeting to discuss a potential NDP for the Chalford to be held in January 2023.