

November 2019



Climate Change and Environmental Emergency Interim Action Plan



No	Theme	Activity	Action	Impact	Timescale
1	Communications	Behavioural Change Programme	Launch of a climate/environmental behavioural change programme for staff.	Support wider Council improvements.	Programme to Launch in January 2020.
2	Ecology	Carbon Sequestration Schemes	Work in partnership to develop proposals for large scale habitat creation projects and secure funding to deliver schemes that can sequester carbon and deal with Nutrient Budgeting issues.	Localised carbon offsetting, habitat creation and reducing localised nutrient budgeting issues.	First proposals by March 2020.
3	Ecology	Monitoring ecological mitigation actions.	Review funding made available through planning conditions, including ensuring that it can allow the commissioning of independent monitoring of planning applications as a condition of approval.	To assess the impact of adopted mitigation measures on biodiversity through independent monitoring.	Review to be completed by March 2020.
4	Ecology	Trees	Develop a strategy to ensure that there is effective protection of existing trees through the use of Tree Protection Orders (TPO) and effective enforcement, tree planting/replacement programme including maintenance regime for tree stock across the Borough.	A robust tree planting programme will support habitat creation and offsetting.	By March 2020.
5	Ecology	Trees	Exploring the development of locally grown trees and plant stock with consideration of a peat free Council tree and plant stock nursery.	Early planting of trees reducing the cost and carbon footprint importing mature trees to improve coverage across the borough.	Business case developed by September 2020.
6	Ecology	Wildflowers	Introduce more wildflower areas across the borough, including mixture of ornamental and native wildflowers and areas which are left with minimal maintenance to increase bio-diversity.	Reduction in operational emissions and increased areas for bio diversity.	Plan developed by April 2020.
7	Energy	Additional Renewables	Review of previous Solar PV (Photovoltaic) businesses cases, including the potential for installing large scale schemes.	Increased local renewables will reduce demand for Fossil fuel power.	Business cases currently under review, completion by March 2020.
8	Energy	Asset Management	Develop plan for improving energy efficiency and sustainability for operational buildings.	Improve environmental performance throughout whole life cycle of operational buildings	Report by end April 2020.

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9	Energy	Green Energy Supply	All Council purchases of electricity will be "Green" renewable energy.	Utilising purchasing power to shift the UK power supply to renewable energy, reducing GHG emissions nationally.	100% Green Electricity by April 2020.
10	Energy	Green Gas Supply	Investigate the potential for the Council to move to a Green gas supplier.	Utilising purchasing power to shift the UK power supply to renewable energy, reducing GHG emissions nationally.	Investigation by April 2020
11	Offsetting	CarbonFREE	Investigate the use of a Carbon Trust accredited scheme to immediately offset the Council's emissions. Then develop a plan to locally offset the Council's operational and outsourced emissions, including from energy consumption and Council development projects	Ensure that Council responds to its emissions whilst work is carried out to reduce the impact of operations.	Initial offsetting proposal by November 2019, local scheme developed by September 2020.
12	Procurement	Review existing procurement	Detailed appraisal of the Council's procurement to identify opportunities to reduce the environmental impact and emissions of spend.	Council procurement is estimated to equate to a third of the Council's emissions.	Updated Procurement Policy and guidance by April 2020.
13	Resources/ Streetscene	Grey water for road sweepers	Investigating potential to move to grey water harvesting for use in mechanical and compact sweepers	Reduction in operational emissions, improvement in air quality and reduction in water consumption	Investigation completed by June 2020.
14	Streetscene	Hand Held Electrical Equipment	All hand held petrol driven Streetscene equipment (such as strimmer's) will transition to electric, 50 separate items of equipment by 2021.	Reduction in GHG emissions and decrease in local air pollution.	By end 2021
15	Training	Staff training programme	Develop and deliver a comprehensive training programme to support all staff and Councillors to embed Climate and Environmental considerations into all decisions.	Improved decision making will lead to positive impacts across the board.	Programme to begin in December 2019.
16	Transport	Council Fleet	Develop an action plan to transition the Streetscene fleet to Electric or Ultra Low Emission Vehicles (ULEV) by 2025.	Moving to electric fleet will contribute to improvement in local air quality issues and lower operational and area wide emissions.	Plan by April 2020.

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17	Waste	Anaerobic Digestion	Eastleigh is the only Council in Hampshire to collect food waste from residential properties. Currently waste is processed outside of the Borough. A business proposal will be developed for building an anaerobic digestion facility within the borough.	This activity will reduce council vehicle movements and facilitate further uptake of food waste across Hampshire.	Study to be completed by June 2020.
18	Waste	Facilities Management	Develop a waste management plan for the Council's estate.	Waste reduction, recycling and responsible waste management.	Plan completed by June 2020.

Activities relating to the borough wide targets

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19	Communications	Business engagement programme	Development of a climate / environmental behavioural change programme for businesses and local employees	Lowering business emissions from the business sector.	Programme to Launch in September 2020.
20	Communications	Public Reward scheme	Working with Southern Water to launch a pilot of the Green Redeem, positive environmental behaviour reward scheme	Reduction in water consumption, alongside other positive environmental behaviour.	Pilot area to launch by January 2020.
21	Communications	Residents engagement	Launch of a climate/ environmental behavioural change programme for residents with the community engagement.	Lowering lifestyle emissions across the borough.	Programme to Launch in January 2020.
22	Communications	Partner organisation engagement	Working with partners, including parish, county and neighbouring councils, to encourage positive environmental behaviour.	To support the ambitions of Eastleigh Borough Council.	Programme to Launch in June 2020.
23	Energy	Green Lease Clauses	Development and phasing in "Green Clauses" (such as requiring energy efficiency improvements) into the Councils rental leases.	Improve environmental performance of buildings throughout whole life cycle of buildings by working collaboratively with occupiers/businesses	New Clauses to begin introduction by April 2020.
24	Ecology	Establish ecological baseline	In partnership with key bodies, establish an ecological baseline for the borough.	Enable the Council to measure the impact of activities.	By mid 2020.

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25	Ecology	Produce a Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan	Creation of a comprehensive Biodiversity strategy and action plan which will identify responses to species at risk. This will supersede the less broad Biodiversity Action plan and sit alongside the other Climate and Environmental sub strategies.	Strategy and Plan will provide a coherent long-term response to environmental degradation.	Consultation by end 2020.
26	Environmental	Pollution Strategy	Development of a Pollution Strategy, including noise/nuisance, dust, land and overarching the Air Quality Action Plan which will be completed by March 2020.	Reduction in local pollution issues.	Strategy by September 2020.
27	Offsetting	Relaunch CarbonFREE	Relaunch of the Councils CarbonFREE programme to facilitate businesses and residents to locally offset their emissions	Local offsetting programme will support further mitigation and adaptation aims.	By September 2020.
28	Planning	Supplementary Planning Policies	Developing Council supplementary planning documents relating to biodiversity and environment net gain, efficiency of development sites, climate adaptation and strengthening the Council's position on tree replacement planting including numbers, species and sizes of trees	Policies will support Environmental and Climate mitigation/adaptation improvements.	First policies by mid 2020.
29	Resilience	Assessment of resilience to climate impacts	Carry out a Social Justice and Climate Change assessment of the borough to increase the level of understanding of residents' exposure and potential responses to future climate impacts.	Improved resilience to future climate impacts.	Assessment carried out by end September 2020.
30	Transport	Business transport	Develop a plan to increase take-up of zero carbon "last mile" sustainable delivery services used by local businesses. Increasing the number of final deliveries from distribution centres to businesses and from businesses to local customers that are made by zero emission transport.	Work with local transport organisation to expand scheme into Eastleigh to reduce local fuel consumption and improve air quality.	Plan by September 2020.
31	Transport	Electric Vehicle Charging	Install further public electric vehicle charging points in the borough.	Supporting businesses and residents to move to electric vehicles will lead to a reduction in local and national pollution.	The first rapid charger will be installed by April 2020.

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32	Transport	Sustainable Transport Strategy	Development of a Sustainable Transport Strategy to include the council's approach for public transport, travel plans, commercial fleet, taxis, low emission vehicles, cycling and walking, which will then inform the action plan.	To reduce fuel consumption and air quality issues in the area, through modal shift to more sustainable travel.	Cycling and Walking element of the strategy completed by June 2020. Overall strategy by June 2021.
33	Waste	Commercial Food Waste Collections	Council to assess the potential and develop a plan to introduce food waste collections for businesses in the Borough	Reduction of waste to incineration, creation of green gas from waste.	Plan development during 20/21.
34	Waste	Waste Strategy	Develop a strategy to reduce waste and improve recycling throughout the Borough. To include domestic and commercial activities.	Waste reduction, recycling and responsible waste management.	By August 2020.