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## **Decision Summary**

**Committee:**

**Date:**

**Committee Clerk:**

**TEL:**

**CABINET**

**TUESDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2019**

**Andrea Woodside**

**01484 221000**

### **Chair**

Councillor Shabir Pandor

### **Councillors Attended**

Councillor Viv Kendrick  
Councillor Musarrat Khan  
Councillor Naheed Mather  
Councillor Peter McBride  
Councillor Carole Pattison  
Councillor Cathy Scott  
Councillor Rob Walker

### **Attendees**

Councillor Martyn Bolt  
Councillor Mohan Sokhal

### **Apologies**

Councillor Graham Turner

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## **1: Membership of Cabinet**

To receive apologies for absence from Cabinet Members who are unable to attend this meeting.

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Turner.

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## **2: Minutes of previous meeting**

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of Cabinet held on 13 August 2019.

Approved as a correct record.

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### **3: Interests**

The Councillors will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have disclosable pecuniary interests, which would prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items, or any other interests.

No interests were declared.

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### **4: Admission of the Public**

Most debates take place in public. This only changes when there is a need to consider certain issues, for instance, commercially sensitive information or details concerning an individual. You will be told at this point whether there are any items on the Agenda which are to be discussed in private.

It was noted that all agenda items would be considered in public session.

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### **5: Deputations/Petitions**

The Cabinet will receive any petitions and hear any deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also hand in a petition at the meeting but that petition should relate to something on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 (2), Members of the Public should provide at least 24 hours' notice of presenting a deputation.

Cabinet received a deputations from (i) Dr Richard Stow, on behalf of Kirklees Climate Emergency Trees Moorland and Rewilding Sub Group, and (ii) Mr Gideon Richards, on behalf of Kirklees Climate Emergency Group, in response to the report at Agenda Item 7.

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### **6: Member Question Time**

To receive questions from Councillors.

Cabinet received questions from Cllr Bolt requesting (i) that the consideration of Agenda Item 7 be deferred to enable further public engagement and (ii) that, having given consideration to purdah restrictions, Cabinet receive contributions from public attendees.

A response was provided by the Leader of the Council.

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## 7: Kirklees Climate Emergency Declaration and the Kirklees Air Quality Strategy and Five Year Air Quality Action Plan

A report to present the findings of the Climate Emergency Working Party; to set out the Council's proposed response to the Climate Emergency for approval and to present the Kirklees Council Five Year Air Quality Action Plan and Strategy for approval

**Ward:** All

**Portfolio:** Greener Kirklees

**Contact:** John Atkinson, Project Manager, Major Projects Service (Climate Emergency) and Martin Wood, Operational Manager, Public Protection (Air Quality) Tel: 01484 221000

- 1) That with regards to Climate Emergency, Cabinet;
  - (i) notes the content of this report and progress made to date regarding the Council's Climate Emergency Declaration in accordance with the Council resolution dated 16 January 2019, including progress on; publicising the Climate Emergency declaration, the work undertaken regarding the environmental audit of Kirklees Council, the reporting on progress on improving our recycling rate, the setting up of a Councillor Working Party, the reporting of agreement on protocols regarding Environmental Impact of new Council policy and the reporting of progress on collaboration with other Local and Regional authorities on emission reduction projects as appropriate
  - (ii) approves the actions as set out at section 5 of the considered report, which will form 'Phase 1' of the climate emergency work programme, and agrees that the work will commence immediately
  - (iii) pursuant to (ii) above, delegates authority for the development and resourcing of further phases of the climate change emergency work programme to the Strategic Director (Economy and Infrastructure), in conjunction with the Cabinet Portfolio Holders for Greener Kirklees, and Culture and Environment
  - (iv) agrees to prioritise the budget setting requirements deriving from both the Climate Emergency and Air Quality proposals in this report as part of the budget setting process for Council to consider in February 2020
  
- 2) That with regards to Air Quality, Cabinet;
  - (i) notes the content of the report, approves the Kirklees Council Air Quality Action Plan and resolves that the Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Greener Kirklees and the Strategic Director (Economy and Infrastructure) jointly sign Kirklees Council Air Quality Action Plan

- (ii) delegates authority to Service Director (Environment) to make arrangements for the signed and approved 'Kirklees Council Air Quality Action Plan' to be sent to the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) for assessment
  - (iii) delegates authority to Service Director (Environment) in consultation with Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Greener Kirklees to amend the 'Kirklees Council Air Quality Action Plan', if upon assessment by Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs the assessment requires the action plan to be amended
  - (iv) delegates authority to Head of Public Protection in consultation with Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Greener Kirklees to make future amendments or updates to the Action Plan as part of on-going review of air quality and the actions Kirklees Council is taking, and that updates to the Action Plan be reported to DEFRA through Annual Status Reporting.
  - (v) delegates authority to Head of Public Protection to make arrangements for the approved action plan and any future amendments to the approved action plan to be published on the Council's Website
  - (vi) notes the content of the report and approves the Kirklees Council Air Quality Strategy
  - (vii) delegates authority to Service Director (Environment) to publish the aforementioned strategy on the Council's Website
  - (viii) delegates authority to Service Director (Environment) in consultation with the Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Greener Kirklees to make future changes to the Air Quality Strategy and decisions in respect of the strategy
  - (ix) notes the contents of the report and that the progress on the commitments within the Air Quality Action Plan will be reported each year to the Department of Environment and Rural Affairs through the publication of the Annual Status Report.
- 3) That Officers be requested to report to future meetings of Cabinet with detailed proposals in relation to (i) step-change in electric vehicle charging infrastructure (ii) a further increase in the Council's electric vehicle fleet and (iii) encouraging the use of electric and low-emission vehicles
- 4) That the report and resolutions of this meeting be referred to the meeting of Council on 13 November 2019, for information
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## **8: Corporate Safeguarding Policy**

This report seeks approval for the introduction of the Corporate Safeguarding Policy 2019.

**Ward:** All

**Portfolio:** Communities

**Contact:** Saf Bhuta – Head of Service for Safeguarding & Quality and Alex Chaplin – Strategy & Policy Officer for Adult Social Care, Tel: 01484 221000

That the Corporate Safeguarding Policy 2019 be approved.

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## **9: Peer Challenge Feedback Report and Action Plan**

To seek input and endorsement from Cabinet on the draft action plan that responds to the recommendations from the LGA Corporate Peer challenge, and recommendation to Council for approval.

**Ward:** All

**Portfolio:** The Leader

**Contact:** Kate McNicholas, Head of Policy, Partnerships and Corporate Planning, Tel: 01484 221000

- 1) That the Peer Challenge feedback report be received and noted.
  - 2) That the action plan appended to the report, which sets out the Council's response to the recommendations arising from the LGA Corporate Peer Challenge, be endorsed and referred to Council for approval.
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