

Appendix 2 – Overview of Climate Action Programme 22/23 Delivery Plan

The table below provides an overview of the actions included in the 22/23 delivery plan for the Climate Action Programme, across its three pillars:

- Becoming a climate active council
- Decarbonising our estate and operations by 2030
- Enabling Oxfordshire’s transition to net zero.

Climate Action Programme 22/23 delivery plan		
Becoming a climate active council		RAG
Deliver climate action objectives and outcomes through the Delivering the Future Together (DtFT) programme	Susannah Wintersgill	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carbon literacy training to be made available to the DtFT Champions to enable better integration across both programmes. • Additional opportunities to be scoped and built into the 23/24 delivery plan. 		
Procure a carbon accounting framework and toolkit to support decision making	Belinda Dimmock-Smith	A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scope agreed in discussion with Atkins • To be discussed by Strategic Capital Board • Full delivery may extend into 2023 		
Expand scope 3 greenhouse gas reporting (supply chain emissions)	Melissa Sage	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aiming to include more supplier emissions in 2023 reporting • A policy position is in development to engage with current suppliers with which OCC annual expenditure is more than £5million to understand and work with those suppliers on their net zero ambitions. • Sustainable Supply Chain post to be recruited in Q1 23/24 to lead work area 		
Expand Carbon Literacy training – internally and develop offer to external organisations	Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approximately 100 staff have completed the nationally recognised Carbon Literacy Training across the Council, and we are on track to become a Bronze Accredited organisation by December 2022. A Proposal will be developed to expand to Silver accreditation and potential to offer to external organisations. • Carbon Literacy training is being made available to Cabinet in Q4 		
Deliver ‘Oxfordshire Net Zero’ comms and behavioural change programme for residents, local businesses and community groups	Susannah Wintersgill	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Launch of the Climate Action Oxfordshire website as a joint work programme between County and Districts providing a countywide platform to increase awareness of the impact of climate change and inspire behaviour change. 		
Decarbonising our estate and operations by 2030		RAG
Deliver Carbon Management Plan 2022-25 and the planned actions for 2022/23 (estate, fleet, highway assets and staff travel)	Vic Kurzeja/ Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delivery of CMP in 2022/23 on track - including streetlighting investment programmes and Public Sector Decarbonisation funded projects 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment plans developed for fleet, high mileage users and property and submitted to Budget & Business Planning process. 		
Enabling Oxfordshire's transition to net zero (linked to PAZCO)		
Transport and connectivity		RAG
Adopt and implement Local Transport and Connectivity Plan (LTCP), including embodied carbon policy	Rachel Wileman	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The LTCP for Oxfordshire was adopted at full council in July 2022 this included Policy 27 focused on reducing embodied carbon in our decisions about transport infrastructure. 		
Adopt PAS2080 standard to minimise carbon emissions in infrastructure projects	Hannah Battye	A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Policy 27 within the LTCP identifies the need to use PAS2080 <i>'to assess, manage and minimise carbon emissions in transport infrastructure projects.'</i> Work is commencing to shape how this is taken forward Oxfordshire has identified a regional opportunity to work with the Future Highways Research Group that it is assessing Delivery will extend into 2023 		
Develop Strategic Active Travel Network plan	Melissa Goodacre	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Programme to develop a County-wide cycle network with aim to link LCWIP urban areas and villages Funding agreed 		
Expand Electric Vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure	Paul Gambrell	R
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The council has successfully completed the Park and Charge project The council has submitted a range of EV charging bids. We have not received an allocation for Oxfordshire due to a national prioritisation of funding to areas that have limited existing charging. Additional bidding opportunities expected in Q2/3 of 22/23 to support our ambitious programme and other funding models are also being explored. 		
Buildings		RAG
Develop retrofit partnership and Oxfordshire retrofit strategy and pipeline	Sarah Gilbert	A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Priority has been given to delivery of the Home Upgrade capital grant programme and bidding for 22/23 funding. The delivery of this funding has been reprofiled with BEIS reflecting challenging supply chain. The programme is currently showing as amber and we are working with contractors to accelerate delivery. A report on the status of the retrofit supply chain in Oxfordshire is due at the end of November 2022. A series of round table events has been agreed with key stakeholders including OXLEP and Low Carbon Hub focussing on retrofit skills and supply chain and customer journey for Q3/Q4 to support strategy development. 		
Energy		RAG
Develop local energy planning approach and support investibility of solar generation and heat pumps	Sarah Gilbert	A

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A partnership with Energy Systems Catapult and Advanced Infrastructure will complete the councils work on an Energy Insights tool under Project LEO. The tool is being used by Districts to support local plans • Discussions are taking place with LEO partners and Future Oxfordshire Partnership on developing a Local Area Energy Masterplanning approach for the County and renewing the energy strategy. This work will continue into next year • The council has supported two bids into the Heat Networks Readiness fund phase 2. 		
Waste and consumption (circular economy)		RAG
Develop Oxfordshire circular economy strategy	Teresa Kirkham	A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial investigations and baseline development underway. • This work will continue into 2023 		
Support expansion of Community Action Groups' impact, diversity and inclusion	Teresa Kirkham	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Additional funding of £160,000 over the next two years awarded to support Community Action Groups Oxfordshire. Supporting expansion of their current work to focus on the Circular Economy, Nature recovery and community wealth building. 		
Adaptation and resilience		RAG
Develop adaptation and resilience strategy	Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work commencing with University of Exeter to co-develop stakeholder engagement of their Local Climate Adaptation Toolkit - Work commencing on Oxfordshire climate impacts assessment 		
Natural environment		RAG
Develop Nature Recovery Strategy (NRS) for Oxfordshire	Nick Mottram	A
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance awaited from DEFRA on the format of the NRS, paper on the forward plan for the Future Oxfordshire Partnership (FOP) in November 2022 with recommendation for Oxfordshire County Council to continue in the Role of Responsible Authority. 		
Develop biodiversity net gain policy guidance	Nick Mottram	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development ongoing whilst awaiting central government announcement on framework for delivering biodiversity net gain. 		
Community support and engagement		RAG
Implement a climate outreach strategy to support communities and local businesses	Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Action Oxfordshire website launched and support to expand the Community Action Group network put in place. • Wider strategy development pending recruitment into new climate action service. 		
Implement schools' energy and carbon reduction support programme aiming for £400k investment in year 1	Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action on Carbon and Energy in Schools (ACES) commissioned and launched to support maintained schools to reduce energy usage • Government has withdrawn support for interest-free schools energy efficiency loans – Salix which creates a barrier for schools making investment. Bid for a pilot recycling fund for energy efficiency submitted to capital programme. 		
Partnership work		RAG

Lead on producing cross-Oxfordshire net-zero route map and action plan through Future Oxfordshire Partnership	Sarah Gilbert	G
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pathways to Zero Carbon Oxfordshire (PAZCO) Action Plan in development with the Future Oxfordshire Partnership.		