Overview & Scrutiny Recommendation Response Pro forma

Under section 9FE of the Local Government Act 2000, Overview and Scrutiny Committees must require the Cabinet or local authority to respond to a report or recommendations made thereto by an Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such a response must be provide d within two months from the date on which it is requested¹ and, if the report or recommendations in questions were published, the response also must be so.

This template provides a structure which respondents are encouraged to use. However, respondents are welcome to depart from the suggested structure provided the same information is included in a response. The usual way to publish a response is to include it in the agenda of a meeting of the body to which the report or recommendations were addressed.

Issue: LTCP Monitoring Report

Lead Cabinet Member(s): Cllr Andrew Gant, Cabinet Member for Transport Management, and Cllr Judy Roberts, Cabinet Member for Infrastructure and Development Strategy

Date response requested: 219 November 2024

Response to report:

Cabinet welcomes the recommendations from the Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the LTCP Monitoring Report. The recommendations were reviewed prior to the LTCP Monitoring Reports consideration at Cabinet on 19th November 2024 so that any changes required to the LTCP or LTCP Monitoring Report could be made to the documents. The full response to the recommendations can be found below.

Cabinet also welcomes the comments and suggestions made by the Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the LTCP Monitoring Report at their meeting on 25th September 2024. Many of these have been incorporated into the final version of the LTCP Monitoring Report. The suggestions made, officer responses and summary of changes can be found in paragraph 20 of the LTCP Monitoring Report Cabinet report, available here. It was not possible to include all of the suggestions for this year's report and there is ongoing work to investigate and collate information for next year.

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Response to recommendations:

Recommendation	Accepted, rejected or partially accepted	Proposed action (if different to that recommended) and indicative timescale (unless rejected)
That the Council, for the headline LTCP targets on car use reduction, should move from a car trip to car mileage reduction measure.	Partially accepted	It is considered there is benefit in monitoring and reporting on car trips, but it is accepted that there is a benefit in having a car millage reduction target too - in particular due to the importance of reducing vehicle mileage to delivering net-zero targets. Adding to, rather than replacing, will also enable officers time to properly consider the implications that moving from trips to mileage could have on the County Council's current approach. On the 19 th November 2024 Cabinet approved the recommendation to add the car mileage reduction target recommended by the Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee as an additional headline target, alongside car trips.