

**Response from the meeting of the Cabinet on the
O&S Committee's Comments – 10 August 2022**

Item Number 4 – Net Zero Carbon Development Plan Document - submission

Scrutiny Comment:

This report was not called in for scrutiny by Overview & Scrutiny Committee because the Committee had reviewed the draft Net Zero Carbon Development Plan Document at previous meetings; the Committee had also previously reviewed the Climate Change Action Programme. Minutes of a meeting when it was last reviewed had been circulated to Members ahead of the call-in deadline.

The Committee, in recognition of the importance of the work to the community and Council, expressed its thanks to officers for the work being done and supported the DPD.

Cabinet Response:

The recommendations in the report were approved.

Items 5 – Future Delivery of Noise Nuisance Investigations

Scrutiny Comment:

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee thanked officers for their work on the policy and supported its implementation going forward.

Members would welcome the Council working more closely with the local Police to secure their support in addressing the issue of noise nuisance in the District.

The Committee agreed to review the policy and service area's performance in respect of all forms of noise nuisance more generally at its meeting in December 2022 because of the importance of the subject to residents.

Cabinet Response:

The recommendations in the report were approved.

Item 7 – Levelling Up Approach and Devolution Deal for Warwickshire

Scrutiny Comment:

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee welcomed the engagement with parish and town councils and requested regular updates and engagement with District Councillors at appropriate times.

In reference to Recommendation 6 in the report, Members requested that the Bid submissions were made available to Councillors.

The Committee recommended that Cabinet formally notes, and makes appropriate representations about, the lack of reference to Sustainable Futures in the WCC Levelling Up objectives, despite it representing one of the high-level elements and having strong support from residents; and the lack of metrics (e.g. energy efficiency of housing stock) in the Evidence Base for gauging the potential for different districts and boroughs to achieve a sustainable future.

The Committee asked that Cabinet made these representations to the County Council.

Cabinet Response:

The recommendations in the report were approved, along with the following recommendation from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

"That the lack of reference to Sustainable Futures in the WCC Levelling Up objectives, despite it representing one of the high-level elements and having strong support from residents; and the lack of metrics (e.g. energy efficiency of housing stock) in the Evidence Base for gauging the potential for different districts and boroughs to achieve a sustainable future be noted, and appropriate representations be made to the County Council."

Item 8 – Significant Business Risk Register

Scrutiny Comment:

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

- welcomed a review of the inflation rate coming forward as soon as possible;
- Risk 7 – requested clarity on the reference to increased legal challenges; and
- requested more precision on events of national significance.

The Committee recommended that Cabinet considered the addition of the following two points on the Register:

1. Local Government re-organisation – should be a risk in itself; and
2. The potential for disruption from industrial action – should be a trigger to be included in a number of risks (officers to review).

Cabinet Response:

The recommendations in the report were approved, along with the following recommendation from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee:

"that the following two points be added to the Register:

- *Local Government re-organisation – should be a risk in itself; and*
- *The potential for disruption from industrial action – should be a trigger to be included in a number of risks (officers to review)."*