

**Summary of Comments made on the Cabinet Agenda for  
Thursday 10 March 2022**

**5 Treasury Management Strategy 2022/23**

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report and thanked officers for all of their hard work, especially that the work carried out so quickly and timely for the disinvestment from the two equity funds. Members noted that the timing of disposals had saved taxpayers money, alongside meeting the Council's objectives of not investing in fossil fuel.

**6 Trees for our Future**

The Overview & Scrutiny Committee commented that the discussion on the report had been positive and thanked Councillor Rhead and Andrew McGwinn for their responses to the questions posed.

The Committee believed that there was opportunity to engage more with the community and to consider requests for smaller scale projects for planting trees. The wider benefits of re-greening the District should be widely promoted to engage with housing developers, farmers, parish/town councils and residents.

It was suggested that the Council should undertake a cost/benefit analysis to build up a clear case for the expenditure and then check this was being achieved. Questions were raised on whether there were more cost-effective ways to achieve a reduction in carbon emissions such as splitting the £4m between tree planting and insulating homes for example and a cost/benefit model would make this easier to monitor.

**7 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Projects List for 2022/23**

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report. Members emphasised the need to ensure the Council was getting value for money from projects.

**8 Annual Review of Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (RIPA) Policy**

The Finance & Audit Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report.