

Winchester City Council – Carbon Neutrality Open Forum

[Committee details - Carbon Neutrality Open Forum - Winchester City Council](#)

The Open Forum will be chaired by the Cabinet Member for Climate Emergency. Other councillors and representatives of external partner organisations will form a panel at each meeting to present and take part in the debate.

South Cambridgeshire DC – Climate & Environment Advisory Committee

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To advise Cabinet on policies, actions and resources required to deliver on the Council's climate change and environmental ambitions, and to provide updates on progress towards achieving agreed targets and outcomes.

This will include, but not be limited to:

- Considering, taking account of available evidence and best practice, innovations and best practice for zero carbon, climate resilience and environmental sustainability, and recommending appropriate actions
- Investigating specific climate and environment-related issues and, where appropriate, organising informal Member workshops to review the evidence and recommendations
- Reviewing the development of Council strategies and roadmaps/action plans for carbon reductions, climate resilience, biodiversity and environmental sustainability; making recommendations for their adoption; updating Cabinet on progress with implementation and recommending any mitigating actions necessary
- Reviewing relevant strategic policies, decisions, future plans, corporate budgets and green investments to ensure that they are in line with a shift to zero carbon and environmental sustainability taking account also of fairness and cost implications
- Reviewing development of new Greater Cambridge Local Plan to ensure it fulfills its role in bringing forward net zero carbon development together with biodiversity and green spaces, particularly in new housing and infrastructure, as well as ensuring that new development can adapt to our changing climate
- Providing leadership on climate change and sustainability, working with partners, as appropriate, to deliver the Council's targets, including public sector, academia, communities, farming and businesses
- Promoting and facilitating the Zero Carbon Communities network, sharing information, guidance and best practice for Parish Councils and local community groups wanting to help shift towards zero carbon lifestyle
- Reviewing the internal operations of the Council with a view to promoting zero carbon and sustainability, adopting best practice and strengthening the Council's environmental performance, with a view to being an 'exemplar council'?

- Influencing and interpreting county, regional and national policy for the benefit of South Cambridgeshire?
- Making recommendations on bids for funding relating to climate change, tree planting and the protection and enhancement of nature.

Vale of White Horse – Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

[Committee details - Climate Emergency Advisory Committee \(whitehorsedc.gov.uk\)](http://whitehorsedc.gov.uk)

Purpose of the Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

1. The committee is an advisory committee with no delegated decision making.
2. To advise Cabinet on matters relating to the climate emergency and environmental sustainability including, but not limited to:
 - (a) Reviewing and making recommendations on ways in which the council can reduce damage to the global and local environment through its policies and practices.
 - (b) Reviewing the internal operations of the council with a view to promoting sustainability, adopting best practice and strengthening the council's environmental performance.
 - (c) Providing community leadership on the climate emergency and sustainability, facilitating and engaging public sector partners, businesses, community groups and the public.
 - (d) Advising on how the council can contribute to delivery of
 - national legally-binding targets on the climate emergency
 - countywide targets on the climate emergency through the Oxfordshire Environment Partnership
 - the council's own targets on the climate emergency
 - the Oxfordshire Energy Strategy Delivery Plan
 - (e) Making recommendations on bids for external funding relating to the climate emergency.

Oxford City Council – Climate and Environment Panel (Panel of Scrutiny)

[Committee details - Climate and Environment Panel \(Panel of the Scrutiny Committee\) | Oxford City Council](#)

Bath & NE Somerset Council –

Climate Emergency and Sustainability Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel

Overview & Scrutiny is the name given to the system of checks and balances implemented to monitor and review the activity of the Cabinet and also assist them in developing policy.

Overview & Scrutiny has two key roles:

Overview:

- To assist the Council and Cabinet in the development of new policy

- To assist the Cabinet by giving comments on issues identified as "Key Decisions" prior to a decision being made
- To contribute to major service reviews at scoping and "key issues" stages
- To assist the Cabinet by giving comments on selected Service & Budget Plans at their draft stage

Scrutiny:

- Scrutinise performance management information to ensure that the Council is performing to agreed targets and to agreed Action Plans
- Determine "call-ins" of decisions made but not yet implemented by the Cabinet or an officer
- Scrutinise particular "Key Decisions" and other aspects of Cabinet activity to ensure compliance with agreed Council policies and plans.
- Evaluate the impact of Council and or Cabinet decisions and policies