

EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD

REF No 432.22

A1 Service Area	Regulatory Services
A2 Title	Staffordshire Sustainability Board - Vision and Base Pledge 2022
A3 Decision Taken By	Deputy Leader
A4 Chief Officer	Please print name: Mark Rizk Please sign name: Approval by email 030822
A5 Leader / Deputy Leader	Please print name: Cllr Ray Faulkner Please sign name: Approval by email 020822
A6 Date of Decision	3 rd August 2022

Confidentiality

A7 Is this Decision confidential by containing exempt information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972?	No
A7.1 If yes, please state relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.	N/A

Scrutiny

A8 Which Scrutiny Committee should this decision be submitted to? *(Please tick as appropriate)* ✓

Scrutiny Community Regeneration Committee
 Scrutiny Environment and Health and Well Being Committee X
 Scrutiny Value for Money Council Services Committee

<p>B1 What is the Decision?</p>	<p>Approval of the Staffordshire sustainability board vision and base pledge and the actions to be incorporated in to Council plans, projects and activities (subject to individual reports and member approval when and where appropriate).</p>
<p>B2 What are the reasons for the Decision?</p>	<p>The Staffordshire Sustainability Board comprises of representatives from each council within Staffordshire with a sustainability / climate change portfolio, and also includes support from council officers, directors and additional council staff as and when required.</p> <p>The Board has made the commitment to work collaboratively across Staffordshire in order to achieve the net carbon zero emissions in line with each of the climate change declarations that councils have made.</p> <p>The board, in conjunction with the Staffordshire Leaders and Chief Executives Group, have formulated and agreed a Staffordshire-wide Vision and Base Pledge that sets out a broad vision and a number of commitments that will support the council in achieving the climate emergency declaration agreed by Cabinet in 2020</p> <p>The Vision and Base Pledge, contained in the Appendix, encompasses ten commitments that are spread across all of the activities of the council and that have synergies already recognised in the Climate Change Action plan.</p>
<p>B3 What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities?</p>	<p>Environmental and Health & Wellbeing- Increased sustainability and net zero carbon emissions in accordance with the climate change declaration.</p>
<p>B4 What are the Human Rights considerations?</p>	<p>There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.</p>

Financial Implications

<p>B5 What are the financial implications?</p>	<p>There are potentially significant financial issues arising from the proposals identified within the Vision and Base pledge. These are likely to have financial implications in the medium to long term for which there is currently no provision within the Medium Term Financial Strategy (MTFS). Each action will be costed on a case by case basis and considered as part of the annual review of the MTFS /or funded using existing budgets, in accordance with financial regulations.</p>
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<p>The finance section has been approved by the following member of the Financial Management Unit:</p>	<p>Please print name: Anya Murray</p> <p>Please sign name: Approval by email 290622</p>
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Policy Framework

<p>B6 Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?</p>	Yes
<p>B6.1 If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?</p>	NA
<p>B6.2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?</p>	NA
<p>B7 Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?</p>	Yes
<p>B7.1 If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)?</p>	NA
<p>B7.2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?</p>	NA

Equalities Implications

B8 What are the Equalities implications:

B8.3 The subject of this decision is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality and health impact assessment is not required at this stage but may be needed for specific policies and actions undertaken as part of the action plan.

Risk Assessment

B9 What are the Risk Assessment implications:

B9.1 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

- Reduced CO₂ emissions
- Self-sufficient energy generation
- Increased Biodiversity

B9.2 Negative (Threats):

- Insufficient capacity and funding to deliver change
- Securing behavioural change

B9.3 The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register. Any financial implications to mitigate against these risks are considered above.

Legal Considerations

B10 What are the Legal Considerations:

B10.1 There are no significant legal issues arising from this decision. Any legal considerations associated with individual actions will be considered as part of the approval process for each action.

This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team

Please print name: Glen McCusker – Interim Solicitor.

Please sign name: [Approval by email 030822](#)

Sustainability Implications

B11 What are the Sustainability implications:
B11.1 The proposal would result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures). The positive/negative impacts are set out below (please refer to guidance notes).
B11.2 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits): Reduced CO2 emissions and increased biodiversity
B11.3 Negative (Threats): None

Health & Safety Implications

B12 What are the Health & Safety implications:
B12.1 A Risk Assessment has not been carried out and entered into Safety Media for all significant hazards and risks because there are no significant hazards or risks arising from this decision.

Key Decision

B13 Is this a Key Decision? No

Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:

1. **REVENUE** – Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
2. **CAPITAL** – Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

B13.1 If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by use of the Call-in Procedure would <u>seriously</u> prejudice the public interest?	NA
B13.2 If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in?	NA

NOTE: If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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