

Dear Member

PLACE AND SUSTAINABILITY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL - THURSDAY, 13TH MARCH, 2025

Please find attached, for consideration at the next meeting of the Place and Sustainability Overview and Scrutiny Panel, taking place on Thursday, 13th March, 2025, a Powerpoint presentation in support of the following report that was unavailable when the agenda was published.

Agenda No Item

5. Climate Change Adaptation (Pages 3 - 16)

To consider a report on Climate Change Adaptation in the New Forest District.

Yours sincerely

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Introduction to Impact

- Local Government Association graduate scheme
- 2 years
- 3 placements
- Level 7 Certificate in Leadership and Management

Purpose and Aim of Report

- To understand the need for climate adaptation within the New Forest
- To highlight what actions could be taken by the residents and the council to adapt to a changing climate
- To inform the Climate and Nature Task and Finish Group

Outputs and Deliverables

- Report
- Presentations
- Summaries and Action Guides
 - Webpage
- Risk Assessment
- Partnership working (particularly NFNPA)

Summary of Report

- In response to the Climate Change and Nature Emergency
- Report outlines the anticipated changes in weather and climate trends, relating these changes to the impacts on the demographics of the district
- Highlights how four key hazards are likely to affect the district, residents, and the Council

What is Climate Adaptation?

- Measures that are needed to best prepare for the impacts and effects of climate change
- A way to protect and safeguard future generations
- An opportunity to learn how to benefit from climate change
- A move towards the creation of a more resilient district

Key Findings – Projected Seasonal Changes

- Report addresses what will happen under both a 2°C and a 4°C Global Warming Level
- The New Forest National Park
 Authority also looking at
 climate data

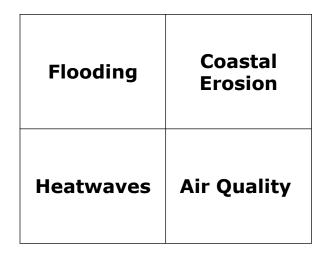
- ➤ Warmer, wetter winters and hotter, drier summers
- More intense and frequent storms and extreme weather events
- ➤ The Climate Report for New Forest

Key Findings – Demographics

Those living in certain
 areas or with certain
 conditions may be more
 vulnerable to the effects
 of climate change

- Demographics Key Risk Factors
- > Ageing population
- ➤ Under 5's
- > Health conditions
- > Low incomes
- > Tenants in private/social housing
- > Social isolation
- ➤ Low personal mobility

Four Key Hazards



- What is the hazard and how does climate change cause it?
- Where in the district is the hazard a particular risk?
- Where in the district are we already seeing the effects of this hazard?
- What has been implemented to prepare for this hazard?
- What is the impact of this hazard to the district?
- What is the impact of this hazard to NFDC?

Summaries and Action Guides

- Focuses on key
 information and actions
 for a range of
 stakeholders residents,
 officers, and councillors
- Information included:
- ➤ Climate change background
- > Who is most vulnerable?
- ➤ How will they be affected?
- ➤ How can they prepare?
- ➤ What actions can they take to adapt?
- > Useful links for more information

Next Steps

Share the summaries and action guides internally and externally

- Update the climate adaptation webpage
- Look into producing service level risk assessments

Questions and Feedback

- How do you think this information will resonate within your communities?
- Are you currently experiencing or are aware of any issues locally being caused by climate change?
- Do you feel the actions within the guides are appropriate and achievable?



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