



Climate Change and Nature Emergency

Task and Finish Group Outcomes

Place & Sustainability Overview & Scrutiny Committee – 12 March
2026

Member Task & Finish group



- Climate Change and Nature Emergency (CCNE) declared in 2021.
- Terms of reference – discuss long term strategy and short term action
- 6 sessions across 2025/26
- Each session had a different focus



Session 1 - Where We Are Now

- Need for greater collaboration between agencies
- Opportunities for training – including Carbon Literacy
- Working closely with Parish Councils and Communities on local projects

Session 2 – Carbon Reduction

- Focus on reducing fleet emissions
- Carbon Reduction measures across corporate estate
- Lead by example to influence industry and partners
- Encourage active and sustainable travel



Session 3 – Climate adaptation

- Flooding seen as key hazard, with heatwaves and coastal erosion as other priorities
- Education and awareness raising
- Local resilience planning

Session 4 – Nature Recovery

- Continued support for partnership strategies and action plans
- Increase biodiversity on SANG/ANRG
- Support for initiatives and projects on own land



Session 5 – Programme Management

- Communicate aims and successes clearly
- Social media presence through LOFOF
- Data that is easy to understand
- Continued partnership working

Session 6 – Where we want to be

- Members edited and endorsed proposed priorities and objectives
- Governance structure and Policy

Carbon Reduction



CARBON REDUCTION			
INTERNAL PRIORITIES		EXTERNAL PRIORITIES	
Fleet	Estates	Road Transport	Homes
Vehicles and Fuel	Energy Efficiency	Sustainable Transport Plans inc. LTP4, LCWIP, Local Plan	Retrofit
Infrastructure	Renewable Energy	Lobbying for Improved Public Transport	Sustainable New Development
BUSINESS AS USUAL IMPROVEMENTS			
Sustainable policies, plans, services & procurement		Net zero infrastructure, investment & engagement	

Climate Adaptation



CLIMATE ADAPTATION			
INTERNAL PRIORITIES		EXTERNAL PRIORITIES	
Buildings	Staff	Residents	Environment
Location Risk Assessment Building Preparedness	Business Continuity Staff Education	Community Resilience Resident Education	Flood Resilience Coastal Erosion Strategy
BUSINESS AS USUAL IMPROVEMENTS		BUSINESS AS USUAL IMPROVEMENTS	
Service risk assessment, plans & comms		Area risk assessment, plans & comms	

Nature Recovery



NATURE RECOVERY			
INTERNAL PRIORITIES		EXTERNAL PRIORITIES	
Biodiversity	Stewardship	Biodiversity	Infrastructure
NFDC Land Studies	Planning and Open Spaces Strategies	External Strategies and data	Green and Blue Infrastructure
Habitat protection and creation	Maintenance and upkeep	Habitat protection and creation	Built Infrastructure
BUSINESS AS USUAL IMPROVEMENTS			
Policies, strategies & decisions		Protection, enhancement & partnerships	

Programme Management



PROGRAMME MANAGEMENT			
INTERNAL PRIORITIES		EXTERNAL PRIORITIES	
Communications	Governance	Communications	Partnerships
Staff Communication Staff Action inc. Climate Change Champions	Decision Making Funding	Public Communications inc. LOFOF Data Performance and Reporting	Leverage Shared Opportunities Connect with Communities Through Groups
BUSINESS AS USUAL IMPROVEMENTS			
CC&NE principles embedded in NFDC culture & services		Residents, businesses, visitors support CC&NE principles	

Implications for panel to consider and discuss

- Where we want to be
- Priorities
- Work currently undertaken by services
- Cost and resource
- Timeframes



Feedback for consideration on next steps by Portfolio Holder, in conjunction with T&F Group Outputs





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