#### **SWT Full Council**

Monday, 26th October, 2020, 6.15 pm

# Somerset West and Taunton

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Federica Smith-Roberts, Vivienne Stock-Williams, Phil Stone, Andrew Sully, Nick Thwaites, Anthony Trollope-Bellew, Ray Tully, Terry Venner, Sarah Wakefield, Alan Wedderkopp,

Danny Wedderkopp, Brenda Weston, Keith Wheatley,

Loretta Whetlor and Gwil Wren

#### **ADDENDUM**

7. Somerset Climate Emergency Strategy and SWT Carbon Neutrality and Climate Resilience Action Plan

This matter is the responsibility of Executive Councillor for Climate Change, Councillor Peter Pilkington.

The purpose of the Strategy is to provide a strategic overview of the key issues facing Somerset and the Councils in relation to the climate emergency and our shared ambition to work towards carbon neutrality for the county of Somerset by 2030 and to provide a strategic basis for partnership working going forwards on addressing these issues together, where a shared approach would be appropriate and improve the chances of delivery.

The CNCR Action Plan sits alongside the Somerset-wide Strategy as the detail for how this Council proposes to address the specific issues, meet the goals and deliver on the outcomes that the Somerset-wide Strategy identifies.

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JAMES HASSETT CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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## **Climate Emergency**

### **Cabinet Members Group Statement**

#### For Full Councils

The 5 Cabinet Members responsible for Climate Change are delighted to recommend to you the Climate Change Strategy "Towards a Climate Resilient Somerset."

This is a very important piece of work which we are proud to be associated with which starts us on our journey to making this county resilient to the impacts of Climate Change.

We have liaised closely with the Task and Finish Group and Officers from the Local Authorities across the county who have all worked extremely hard to develop this Strategy and to give us what we feel is an ambitious but deliverable route map for the way forward.

We would ask that this Full Council formally adopts this Strategy so implementation on the ground can commence as soon as possible.