

Community Scrutiny Committee
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Appendix Document - CNCR Plan Year One Immediate Actions

Action Ref	Action Description	Current Status	Directorate	SWT or Other	Progress Update (updates need to be concise and suitable for sharing)
18	Develop an action plan for retrofit of around 90% of homes and 100% of non-residential buildings with low carbon heat and energy efficiency measures including through use of costed building decarbonisation "passports" for individual households and groups of building archetypes.	On Hold	Development and Place	SWT and partners	Bones of an action plan have been developed by a group of officers across the Somerset Councils as part of the Low Carbon Retrofit Group, however more detailed work likely required.
1	Develop Local Plan policy requiring all new development to be zero carbon and climate resilient as soon as practically possible.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Forthcoming districtwide Design Guide (Dec 21) will set out low and zero carbon standards and climate resilient design principles. SWT has Council has approved Climate Positive Planning: Interim Guidance Statement on Planning for the Climate Emergency in the interim to existing policy is used to maximum effect.
2	Evidence and develop an "Allowable Solutions" type carbon offsetting fund for developments unable to meet zero carbon on-site to pay into.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Progress against this action is secondary to the action for developing a planning policy requiring zero carbon development.
3	Publish an Interim Policy Statement clarifying relevance and implementation of existing development plan policies on sustainable design and construction and relevance of the Council's Climate Emergency declaration as a material consideration.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Interim Guidance Statement on Planning for the Climate Emergency approved as a live document in February 2021.
8	Lobby Government to deliver national policy requiring zero carbon and climate resilient new development as soon as practically possible.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Response to the Future Homes Standard Consultation submitted Feb 2020, - Sent lobbying letter to Department for Education with regards to sustainability of new public buildings in August 2020. - Joint signatory to Good Homes Alliance letter calling for higher environmental standards from Homes England in May 2021.
4	Adopt the district-wide Design Guide incorporating strong emphasis on sustainability as Supplementary Planning Document.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Emerging Districtwide Design Guide has a focus on sustainability and has been significantly strengthened with regards to zero carbon and climate resilience aspirations. Due for adoption as SPD in December 2021.
7	Lobby Government to end the current Permitted Development Rights to convert agricultural buildings to residential dwellings in the open countryside.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Included in response to Government consultation on further permitted development rights and use class changes in January 2021.
5	Deliver training on zero carbon and climate resilient buildings and the role of planning and planners to all planning officers and Members as well as offering training out to communities and developers.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Training for Development Management officers and Planning Committee Members provided on both the Districtwide Design Guide (2020) and Climate Positive Planning (2021). Additional training proposed alongside adoption of the Design Guide SPDs during Spring 2022.
54	Build awareness and capacity for community energy projects and play a more direct and proactive role in enabling.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Council signed up to support the Local Electricity Bill in October 2020 but no further progress.

47	Identify suitable areas / allocate sites for low carbon and renewable energy generation within the New Local Plan.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Work to develop a Somerset-wide renewable energy evidence base and a potential subsequent Energy Plan for Somerset is underway but very early stages and will require external input.
53	Lobby Government to remove artificial barriers (e.g. NPPF/policy and Contracts for Difference criteria) to delivery of renewable energy including onshore wind in the district.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Council signed up to support the Local Electricity Bill in October 2020 which should help to remove barriers to community energy projects.
61	Develop Local Plan policies to ensure that new grid infrastructure can be delivered that will resolve constraints, address network climate vulnerabilities, is compliant with a carbon neutral future, and will enable transition to a flexible and smart distribution network able to cope with increased decentralised and renewable energy generation and EV rollouts.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Work on developing a renewable energy evidence base and subsequent Energy Plan for Somerset will likely provide the necessary evidence in this regard, but no progress.
69	Develop evidence base to understand carbon neutral heat network potential within the district and on Council-owned assets.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Council has been successful in a bid to the Heat Networks Delivery Unit (HNDU) to help fund a more detailed project investigating heat network potential in Taunton town centre. Linked to work to develop a Somerset-wide renewable energy evidence base and a potential subsequent Energy Plan for Somerset.
70	Apply to the Heat Networks Development Unit to secure funding to explore potential for a carbon neutral heat network serving Firepool, Taunton Pool and nearby town centre buildings.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Bid to the HNDU submitted in December 2020 was successful.
71	Develop planning policy through the New Local Plan to require, encourage and enable heat network development where opportunities exist.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Progress is limited until work on the Taunton town centre heat network study and in development of a renewable energy evidence base and subsequent Energy Plan for Somerset is completed.
52	Provide advice to town and parish councils and neighbourhood planning groups about planning for low carbon and renewable energy through their Neighbourhood Plans.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Officers have provided short emailed advice to individual Neighbourhood Plans. Complete as far as SWT can go without additional resource required to expand on this.
60	Develop Local Plan policy to ensure that all new buildings are served by three-phase electricity supplies in order to be future-proofed for homes and vehicles playing a more active role in power generation and grid balancing.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Work on developing a renewable energy evidence base and subsequent Energy Plan for Somerset will likely provide the necessary evidence to develop this work.
109	Continue developing the strategic outline business case to re-open Wellington Train Station and lobbying Government to include on the DfT project pipeline for design and delivery.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	The Strategic Outline Business Case submitted to the Restoring Your Railways panel was successful. A brief for the next phase of work (PACE 1) to achieve an Outline Business Case has been agreed with Network Rail. This can commence once the funding is in place.

145	Develop a Digital Strategy that will identify how high speed, high quality and resilient gigabit digital connectivity can be delivered throughout the district, reducing the need to travel, enabling smarter travel and increasing ability to work and access services remotely.	On Hold	Development and Place		AWAITING UPDATE
	Deliver priority cycle route in Taunton linking Vivary Park - Market House - Coal Orchard - Firepool - Train Station.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Station to Vivary route to be developed with Future High Street Fund, along with improved cycle parking for Taunton town centre. Delivery by Regeneration team, provisionally March 2023.
	Deliver priority cycle route in Taunton linking the Gateway and Silk Mills Park & Ride sites via the town centre.	Current	Development and Place	SCC	Included in SCC's LCWIP for Taunton. SCC in process of determining delivery priority and funding of schemes.
	Develop a Taunton Transport Strategy building on the "Taunton: Connecting Our Garden Town" document from 2017, picking up on developments since its publication and actions identified within this Action Plan. Establish a "Transport Taskforce" within the Council to co-ordinate delivery.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	A Garden Town Delivery Plan is currently in production which will pick up much of the work that had begun on a Taunton Transport Strategy and recent developments as well as which continues to be progressed via the Active Travel Programme. Estimated delivery date May 22.
106	Develop Local Plan policies to require and enable delivery of infrastructure to facilitate delivery of Bus Rapid Transit scheme(s).	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	SCC have submitted a Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) to Government 'Bus Back Better' initiative. This was drafted with local operators and any new policy development will likely come from this.
142	Incorporate a sustainable hierarchy for transport within the New Local Plan.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	A sustainable travel hierarchy was included in the Issues & Options plan in 2020. Linked to transport evidence base work and SCC's work on an updated Local Transport Plan. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.
143	Develop Local Plan policy for reduced parking standards in new development.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Linked to transport evidence base work and SCC's work on an updated Local Transport Plan and Travel Planning Guidance/Parking Strategy. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this. New Local Plan policies will be delivered through a new Unitary Development Plan in due course, the timetable for which is not yet set.
144	Develop Local Plan policy to encourage and facilitate car-free developments in appropriate locations.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Linked to transport evidence base work and SCC's work on an updated Local Transport Plan and Travel Planning Guidance/Parking Strategy. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.
93	Develop Local Plan policy requiring EV charging infrastructure in all new developments in line with the EV Charging Strategy once complete.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Adopted EV Charging Strategy includes a proposed model policy for requiring charging infrastructure in new developments. This has informed the expectations of the Districtwide Design Guide, due for adoption in December 2021, and will inform updates to SCC's Travel Plan guidance including the Somerset Parking Strategy.
111	Lobbying Government and operators to electrify the mainline rail network running through the district.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Ongoing. Will lobby as opportunities arise, mostly via Wellington station project.

148	Develop Local Plan policies to require gigabit digital connectivity in new developments. In line with the Digital Strategy once complete.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Work on a Digital Strategy remains on hold at this stage.
118	Adopt the Taunton Garden Town Public Realm Design Guide as SPD and use this as the blueprint for delivering sustainable streets, cycle infrastructure and street tree planting in Taunton.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Emerging Public Realm Design Guide has a focus on sustainability and facilitating sustainable travel. Due for adoption as SPD in December 2021
	Develop and deliver upon a COVID Economic Recovery Plan with climate action integral to its vision and objectives.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	The SWT Economic Recovery and Growth Plan adopted Jan 2021 is aligned to the Industry Workstream of the CNCR Plan.
177	Prepare a district-wide workforce development strategy taking account of the skills that will be necessary to deliver on the actions set out in this plan, the skills gap, current sector activity and skills audit, skills we have that may not be needed in the future and how we will support people and businesses through this transition.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Audits of local labour requirements are ongoing through engagement with local employers, through the innovation leadership group and with potential inward investors. The preparation of a district wide workforce strategy related to clean tech and climate resilience sectors is linked to the Innovation District activity and planned for completion by March 2023.
166	Work with SCC to design, deliver and communicate a pilot small grants scheme to support businesses to achieve reductions in Scope 1 emissions (on-site and fleet).	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Work complete
170	Appoint a "Green Economy/Clean Growth Inward Investment Specialist" (potentially as a shared resource) to work with businesses to sustainably align their growth ambitions with the climate emergency and encourage businesses into the area that can help the area to achieve carbon neutrality and climate resilience.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Industry workstream priorities have been reassessed. No plans to progress.
172	Identify and deliver on opportunities for education and skills growth and job creation in the West Somerset Opportunity Area to build economic opportunities, reduce the need to travel out of the area for work and to address social mobility and deprivation issues in the area.	Current	Development and Place	SWT or Other	The West Somerset Employment Land project aims to unlock sites for job creation, and feasibility study now complete. Other projects are being delivered by SWT officers through the West Somerset Opportunity Area and Economic Development Employment and Skills Team, including Access to Employment Grants, Adult training course at West Somerset College, Employment Hubs.
174	Develop a communications campaign to market the sustainable economic development and inward investment opportunities presented by Taunton Garden Town and Somerset West and Taunton Innovation District aligned with our aspirations for carbon neutrality and climate resilience.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	A study has been completed to identify SWTs key attractors for Inward Investment including Innovation and Clean technology businesses. The development of an Inward Investment Marketing and Communications Plan is underway, delivery of a communications campaign will commence in January 2022.

179	Work with partners to grow the sector and supply chain for key technologies and products that are necessary to achieve carbon neutrality in Somerset (including in relation to heat pumps, renewables, energy efficiency and circular economy in particular) through support and directly stimulating demand as part of Council developments.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Work to develop SWT as an Innovation District is underway – this, along with the marketing and communications campaign and unlocking employment land will enable the growth of these sectors and supply chains in the District.
160	Develop a communications campaign targeting businesses within the district, engaging them in carbon reduction and climate resilience, the benefits to them of action, risks of inaction and where they can access support at present.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Campaign planned for 22/23. The work requires county wide collaboration to develop a communications campaign and climate change support for businesses programme. Possibly something Climate Team to take on.
171	Adopt the emerging Small Scale Industrial Units Local Development Order (LDO) to enable business creation, expansion and retention within the district and close to where people live, reducing the need for businesses to leave the area and to travel.	Complete	Development and Place		LDO adopted September 2020.
175	Work with local community groups and businesses to develop opportunities to foster innovation in the low carbon / sustainability sector.	Pipeline	Development and Place		AWAITING UPDATE
213	Develop Local Plan policies that support SWP Developer Guidance and the emerging Somerset Waste Local Plan and which will lead to delivery against minimum standards for sustainable waste management in development as well as developments being resource efficient during construction, occupation and eventual dismantling.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	Climate Positive Planning has been published and this includes guidance linking existing planning policy requirements across to use of the SWP Developer Guidance, and also highlighting the importance of embodied energy and carbon. The Districtwide Design Guide also has a focus on aspirational standards for reducing embodied carbon.
214	Engage with development of the Somerset Minerals and Waste Plan Reviews to understand necessary waste processing infrastructure and where it should be located (taking into account potential for use of waste heat in particular).	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Minerals and Waste planning is a County Council function, and SWT will engage as required.
210	Support the opening of a Repair Café at the Glassbox, Taunton Library.	Pipeline	Development and Place		AWAITING UPDATE
	Support the University of Exeter in bidding to UKRI for funding to co-design and deliver a Circular Regional Food System in the South West.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Complete
229	Develop Local Plan policies that protect existing and allocate land / set requirements for establishment of new orchards and allotments.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	The emerging Districtwide Design Guide refers to the importance of integrating allotments and orchards into coherent green infrastructure as part of sustainable placemaking as well as the value of existing allotments and orchards to the character of different areas.

238	Develop Local Plan policy that protects best and most versatile agricultural land and sets criteria as to when it is acceptable for its loss, protects soil quality and requires mitigation from developments to reduce detrimental impacts to soil health and carbon storage.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Existing plan policy protects best and most versatile agricultural land and sets criteria for when it is acceptable to be lost in line with national policy. Embodied carbon (which considers land-use change) is recognised and aspirational standards are identified in this regard in the emerging Districtwide Design Guide.
239	Develop Local Plan policy that may support farmers and landowners to sustainably diversify in order to build resilience to the projected impacts of climate change and change practices to more viably deliver ecosystem services.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Existing plan policy in the former West Somerset area partially covers this action in that it supports farm diversification to help support the local agricultural economy where it does not conflict with sustainability considerations. No such explicit policy exists in the former Taunton Deane area. New Local Plan policies will be delivered through a new Unitary Development Plan in due course, the timetable for which is not yet set.
241	Work with partners to map current levels of natural capital and ecosystem services and potential impacts of climate change.	Current	Development and Place	Somerset Wildlife Trust	Council working to support this via representation on the Local Nature Partnership, led by Somerset Wildlife Trust.
242	Work with partners to map carbon sequestration potential opportunities on farmland including planting trees, widening and re-connecting hedgerows and changing land management practices.	Current	Development and Place	Somerset Wildlife Trust	Council working to support this via representation on the Local Nature Partnership, led by Somerset Wildlife Trust.
245	Work with the Local Nature Partnership to complete a Nature Recovery Network Strategy including an interactive online map and user guide.	Current	Development and Place	Somerset Wildlife Trust	Council working to support this via representation on the Local Nature Partnership, led by Somerset Wildlife Trust.
	Complete a new Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy for the district drawing together opportunities to improve access to green spaces, active travel linkages, reinstate and create green landscape linkages, improve biodiversity, re-wild and regenerate the landscape and increase carbon sequestration and climate resilience.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Work on this action has been stalled for some time due to lack of resource. New Green Infrastructure Officer recently started with a focus on Taunton Garden Town means this project can now progress. It will initially focus on a Taunton Garden Town GBI Strategy, emerging out of work on the Garden Town Delivery Plan before expanding out to district-wide in future years.
284	Develop detailed plans to deliver on the Taunton Garden Town ambition to raise tree canopy cover to 20% within the town.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Public Realm Design Guide SPD due to be adopted in December 2021 includes a target to raise the tree canopy cover in the town to 30% by 2050 through growing a Garden Town Forest or "Urboretum". Further work is also underway within the climate team to map planting opportunities on Council land.

262	Develop Local Plan policies referring to the Nature Recovery Network Strategy including requiring developments to deliver against it.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	The Nature Recovery Network Strategy is being progressed by the Local Nature Partnership and officers attend and contribute to the LNP Nature Recovery Sub-group. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.
264	Develop Local Plan policies requiring retention and protection of trees within development sites and a minimum target of tree canopy cover within new developments.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Climate Positive Planning refers to the importance of trees within development sites in relation to existing policy and responding to both the climate and ecological emergencies. Future policy will draw on the proposed Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy and Nature Recovery Network Strategy as well as implementation of Biodiversity Net Gain.
246	Review and upgrade the current Service Level Agreement between the Council and the Somerset Environmental Records Centre to give long term funding certainty and enable it to oversee the Nature Recovery Network data and keep it up to date.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Revised annual SLA signed October 2021.
263	Develop Local Plan policies requiring a target level of biodiversity net gain above the proposed national minimum 10% from new developments and necessary on-site measures with mitigation to be delivered before development can occur.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	The Environment Bill is expected to mandate a minimum 10% biodiversity net gain from new developments. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.
315	Develop a Coastal Communities Strategy setting out a 30 year plan for what the coast and coastal communities will be in 2050 taking account of coastal erosion; flooding; housing; economy, highways; nature; culture; leisure; deprivation and regeneration.	On Hold	Development and Place	SWT	Discussion on-going with the EA and other partners but limited resource to progress currently.
294	Work with partners to map opportunities for delivery of nature based solutions such as tree planting, wetland creation and Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDS) to sequester carbon whilst delivering flood risk management benefits.	On Hold	Development and Place	SWT	Action closely aligned with development of a Nutrient Neutrality Strategy, Nature Recovery Network Strategy, GBI Strategy and future work responding to the Ecological Emergency. New Neutrient Neutrality Officer starting soon expected to take on some of this.
299	Develop Local Plan policies requiring integration of high quality, multi-benefit SuDS within new developments in line with the Somerset SUDS Review.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Climate Positive Planning includes reference to emerging SCC SUDS Guidance, though timing for completion of this guidance is not yet confirmed. The emerging Districtwide Design Guide and Public Realm Design Guide SPDs include information about how to integrate high quality SuDS infrastructure into new developments. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.

300	Develop Local Plan policies directing development away from areas of or which could adversely impact upon fluvial, coastal and surface water flood risk and in line with the step change promoted by the emerging National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Strategic Flood Risk Assessment Level 1 complete. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this. Work may include identifying and defining Coastal Change Management Areas; policies for development in CCMA's and relocation of settlements at risk of coastal erosion. South-west Coastal Group discussions on single definition and process for CCMA is underway.
308	Develop Local Plan policies to actively enable relocation of homes and businesses away from locations at major risk of flooding or coastal change.	Pipeline	Development and Place	SWT	Evidence including the Shoreline Management Plan Review in progress. Work to develop appropriate policies will develop from this.
301	Lobby Government to ensure that the NPPF / PPG always requires plans to be prepared and development to be managed in compliance with the flooding and coastal change implications of the latest climate projections.	Current	Development and Place	SWT	SWT will lobby as when opportunities arise.
321	Develop Local Plan policies to require compliance with the optional national water efficiency standards and set out expectations around rain and grey water harvesting.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	Climate Positive Planning equates existing planning policies in both the former Taunton Deane and West Somerset areas to a requirement to meet the optional national water efficiency standard of 110l/person/day and encourages use of water harvesting. Full Council resolved in October 2021 to "Require all new residential development to include water efficiency measures (110 litres per person per day) in line with SWT sustainability and climate change objectives, and that this will be a material planning consideration in the determination of affected proposals" following evidence showing the relationship between reduced water consumption and reduced phosphate emissions from new development. The emerging Districtwide Design Guide identifies further aspirational standards in relation to water efficiency in new development.
13	Deliver a Zero Carbon Affordable Homes Pilot which will deliver 50 net zero carbon, fabric first, modular construction new Council Homes as a pilot, with a first phase of 12 in 2020/21.	Current	Housing and Communities	SWT	This scheme has been replaced by zero carbon SWT affordable housing developments at NTWP (227)and Seaward Way (52)
10	Develop and deliver a zero carbon and climate resilient standard for new Council Housing.	Complete	Housing and Communities		The Housing service has developed and is applying to its employers requirements a zero housing standard for first letting. This standard is being used for 115 zero carbon new affordable homes. The service has also established a specification which provides an 80% zero carbon benefit on first let which is applying to phase A (227 units) at NTWP)

32	Retrofit 175 Council homes and a further 25 owner occupier/private rented homes in the district with first time central heating replacing expensive and inefficient night storage and solid fuel heating systems with Air-Source Heat Pumps together with a package of relevant fabric improvements through the Warm Homes Fund.	Current	Housing and Communities	SWT	Procurement undertaken and potential properties identified. Initial surveys being undertaken.
33	Validate and improve data on EPC ratings of all Council-owned housing stock.	Current	Housing and Communities	SWT	Accelerated programme of EPC surveys being undertaken. Aiming for completion March 2022.
35	Develop an action plan for a programme of major retrofit / disposal of our Council-owned housing stock including identifying opportunities for installation of heat pumps and other low carbon heat solutions.	Current	Housing and Communities	SWT	<p>Strategy - on target to be agreed by March 2023 with a delivery plan supported by HRA business plan. Working group set up to oversee and learn from pilots and develop the strategy.</p> <p>Bid made to the Government Decarbonisation Fund Oct 21, with view to delivery April 22 - Jan 23 if successful.</p> <p>Second bid to Decarbonisation fund Summer 22.</p>
49	Invest in local renewable energy projects.	On Hold	Development and Place	SWT	Current market conditions mean it is unlikely that local renewable energy projects would provide the necessary return to meet CI criteria. However any potential opportunities will be reviewed and assessed as they come forward.
100	Develop proposals to place the Taunton P&R service on a long term financially sustainable footing and continue financially subsidising until it reaches that point.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	<p>SCC have now found funding for the Park and Ride, therefore our status as stakeholder in the procurement and operation has ended.</p> <p>Update Oct 21. SCC have made the P&R service free for 12 months</p>
97	Re-tender Taunton P&R bus service with appropriate clauses to move service towards alternative fuel and/or electric bus fleets.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	<p>Service will be re-tendered in 2020.</p> <p>Update Feb21: See above</p>
116	Make the trial closure of St. James Street in Taunton permanent.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	The closure of St James St has now been made permanent.

117	Trial closure of East Street and Hammet Street in Taunton.	On hold	Development and Place		<p>Update Feb 21:</p> <p>The trial closure of East St will continue throughout 2021 as social distancing is required to be maintained as the vaccination programme of Covid19 rolls out and the virus is still transmissible. During the temporary closure, SWT will undertake modelling of traffic in and around the town centre to assess if any changes are necessary to accommodate change in traffic patterns.</p> <p>Update Oct 21 SCC requested the closure of East St was removed following severe congestion issues in Taunton whilst road works were preventing normal movement of traffic around town.</p> <p>Since then, SWT have held working group sessions with town centre stakeholders to work through feedback and options for a revised scheme for East St. This will then be subject to a public consultation before coming back to Members for approval.</p>
	Develop a communications campaign to publicise and expand the Taunton "P&R Perks" Scheme which incentivises use of the P&R service by rewarding users with discounts at town centre outlets.	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	this action links in with action for a sustainable footing for P&R. Could look to expand and improve offers to encourage people into the town centre to spend money locally.
94	Support and promote expansion of community EV car clubs such as Watchet Drives	Current	Development and Place	SWT	<p>Progressing a pilot for Taunton with CoCars</p> <p>Update Oct 21. Work continues on developing a pilot scheme. Completion target date Spring 22.</p>
102	Develop a staff incentive scheme to encourage use of the P&R (and other public transport options).	Complete	Development and Place	SWT	<p>On hold during pandemic and majority of staff working from home.</p> <p>Oct 21 See update above on P&R</p>
25	Work with partners to develop communications campaign effectively engaging the general population in retrofit, what is necessary, how to go about it and where to get advice, funding and support.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	The government have launched its green home grant initiative SWT are promoting and signposting homeowners and landlords to this
24	Lobby Government to make retrofit of the existing building stock a national infrastructure priority.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.

39	Commission investment-grade audits of the energy and carbon performance of the Council's offices and non-residential buildings including identifying opportunities for installation of heat pumps and other low carbon heat solutions.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	<p>Audits complete for Deane House, Crematorium and Westpark Depot Oct 2021.</p> <p>Energy efficiency measures such as LED lighting have also been implemented as part of programme with SLM in leisure centres.</p> <p>Recommendations are being evaluated and funding identified.</p> <p>Phase 2 of surveys will follow in the new year.</p>
23	Expand eligibility criteria where possible to enable more people to access ECO funding towards delivering energy efficiency retrofit to their homes.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Christian Trevelyan (Somerset Independence Partnership) progressing with CSE as a joint Statement of Intent for all four Somerset districts. Anticipating a draft of this imminently.
30	Enforce Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards for private rented housing and work with Devon, Somerset and Torbay Trading Standards to ensure enforcement of non-domestic rentals (EPC band E by 2020, D by 2025 and C by 2030). Including appointment of a full time MEES Project Officer for an initial 12 month period.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Provisional BRE data they have estimated that there are 1732 properties in the private rented sector that fall below an EPC Band E. The breakdown is 1325 Band F and 407 Band G, though will include some exempted properties (e.g. Listed Buildings) and maximum landlords can be required to spend is £3,500 which in some cases will not be sufficient to raise above an E.
42	SLM to complete roll out of LED lighting, and identify and implement further carbon reduction measures in all Council-owned leisure centres.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	<p>SLM are required to prepare an "Environmental and Energy Management Plan" to set targets for reducing CO2 emissions and projects to achieve this.</p> <p>LED lighting has been installed.</p>
43	Council air conditioning unit inspections are up-to-date, and regular checks of refrigerant leakages are undertaken.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	A/C units have been inspected and there is a schedule in place
57	Develop a programme to enable aggregated purchasing of renewable energy, insulation and other energy efficiency interventions for communities, individuals and businesses at below market rates.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	No progress to date.
45	Develop evidence base to understand low carbon and renewable energy generation and energy storage potential within the district and on Council-owned assets and support publication of a local renewable energy target.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Feasibility studies have been produced for Deane House, the Wellington Depot and the Crematorium. Reviewing these with Hydrock in early October. There will be recommendations that require PFH approval.
44	Sign up to UK100 pledge to meet 100% of the district's energy demand from clean energy sources by 2050.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	No progress as yet.
63	Appoint an Energy specialist to provide in-house specialist energy related advice and work towards meeting the Council and area-wide renewable energy targets.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Currently on hold whilst we establish if there are Council wide renewable energy targets in place to justify a dedicated officer Assumed to be a K grade role at c£70k p.a including on-costs.

78	Publicly promote rollout of smart meters.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Messaging promoting rollout and why they are important as part of transition to a cleaner, fairer energy system required from Comms. Target Q4 21/22
78	Work with partners to develop an EV Charging Strategy that identifies a pathway to rollout of EV charging infrastructure across Somerset (including consideration of current grid constraints and ways to circumvent/overcome them).	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	EV Charging Strategy completed
67	Lobby Government for a national decarbonisation of heat strategy.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.
68	Lobby Government to renew and expand incentives such as ECO and RHI as well as replacement for FiT scheme.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT is committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.
77	Work with WPD to implement the DC Share project	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Currently on schedule for delivery during Q2 2022.
65	Support town and parish councils and community groups to provide advice and raise awareness in relation to energy conservation, efficiency and generation.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT have been engaged with Town and Parish council in regards to a number of projects, these include the EV charge point grants, the free tree giveaways, and business case data on waterless urinals for public toilets. Marked as complete, but will be ongoing.
75	Establish a task force of public sector bodies, energy sector bodies and high energy users across the County to work collectively towards developing a Local Area Energy Plan for Somerset and identifying and driving forward opportunities for decarbonisation.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners.	Proposal in place for a Somerset wide Task Force, supported by the Full Council decision. request is for £59k over 3 years. Development of a Local Area Energy Plan (building on the pilot done by Energy Systems Catapult) would explore some of the bigger issues and opportunities in more detail and potentially pick up on others.
66	Deliver training on energy conservation and efficiency to all officers and Members.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Training to be rolled out to staff March 2021 and Cllrs April 2021
79	Deliver EV charge points as part of Coal Orchard development in Taunton town centre.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	The Coal Orchard EVCPs are part of the DC Share Project on schedule for Q2 2022
80	Business case for the options to implement charging points in phases across the Council's network of car parks.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	We are progressing the installation of charge points against the EV strategy, using the public sector framework ESPO we have are purchasing our charging units through the supplier SWARCO. Phase one will be delivered Q3/Q4 2021/22
85	Enable delivery of EV charge points funded through the Council's Community Charge Point Fund.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Complete, but council is keeping the grant scheme open
99	Develop a demonstrator bus subsidy for UK Green Transport Week 2021 or another awareness week annually until any regular incentive/subsidy is in place.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners.	No progress to date.

	DfT Escooter Trial	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change		EScooter trial went live in Tanton October 2020 and Minehead in June 2021 and both will run until 31st October 2022
86	Apply to the OLEV Workplace Charging Scheme and deliver EV charge points at all Council sites to enable transition of Council fleets and staff vehicles to EV.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change		We applied for OZEV funding for workplace chargers at DH and were awarded £600. We also applied for OZEV fundign for on street chargers and have been awarded £136k. Phase 1 Summer 2021, Phase 2 Q4 2021/22
137	Develop incentives for Council staff to use active travel and public transport modes for business travel.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change		Now that we have started to open up our office again this is something we can start to explore (switched from pipeline to current)
151	Lobby Government to reduce motorway and national speed limits to 50mph, and the 30mph (street lit roads) limit to 20mph.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT is committed to lobbying where opportunities arise.
157	Lobby the National Infrastructure Commission to ensure that it takes account of latest climate projections for Somerset and recognises climate adaptation as a national infrastructural issue.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT is committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.
89	Develop a staff incentive scheme to encourage transition of personal vehicles to EV.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	The "My Staff Shop" options exist but there are clarifications needed from HR / Payroll on different employment considerations, leavers, maternity, redundancies, terminations etc. Progress is dependant on HR/Payroll capacity
186	Establish a Carbon Management Board within the Council to deliver and monitor progress against our corporate carbon neutrality target.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Full Council approved that a local multii agency climate emergency task force was established to aid delivery and implementation of the Somersetwide strategy. TOR are still being negotiatiated between the four districts and the county council, with the hope to have an implemenation board in place soon
187	Deliver mandatory training in climate change and carbon literacy to all Council officers and Members, with periodic updates.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Training to be rolled out to staff March 2021 and Cllrs April 2021
188	Develop regular internal communication to ensure all officers and Members are aware of this action plan, progress being made against it, and what their role is in delivering on it.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Part 1 Cllrs - this will be via PFH updates and the rollout of training Part 2 Employees - CNCR plan progress updates provided to all directorates. Training will be rolled out to all employees. Internal weekly newsround up will be used to provide regular updates
	Publicise community-based recycling projects such as the Compass Centre #cashnottrash community teracycle project at least until Recycle More is rolled out in the district.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWP	Linked to Recycling on the Go project with its associated timeline. Pilot sites in operation by Q3 FY 2021/22

201	Improve data collection to establish the mass of each waste stream within the Council's corporate waste and how it is processed in order to better understand GHG emissions arising.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Requires change of process and database of disposals to be created and kept up to date. Will feed into SWP project considering collaborative procurement of corporate waste collection services (action 203)
223	Develop a communications campaign that encourages residents and businesses to grow their own and buy local, seasonal and climate friendly food, linking healthy eating, active lifestyles and the climate emergency.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Visible action that taps into necessary behaviour changes. Requires comms input and will need to be backed up by linking residents to opportunities to do these things. Initial message could focus on links between current COVID-19 crisis and climate change to establish new normals.
222	Work with partners to establish a baseline of the emissions and land footprint of food consumption in the county and communicate the average impacts in comparison to NHS/WHO recommended diets.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Will require considerable data that is not currently held. this could be a future opportunity for a wider delivery team across a number of authorities.
232	Work with partners to establish an accurate baseline of emissions from agriculture across the district.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Will require considerable data that is not currently held. this could be a future opportunity for a wider delivery team across a number of authorities.
236	Work with partners to develop a Land Management Strategy to protect and enhance soils through more regenerative agricultural processes.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Likely that this action will be owned and progressed by the external partners (including FWAG, the NFU and Local Nature Partnership). SWT committed to supporting where required.
228	Lobby Government to develop regulation requiring carbon footprint labelling of food products along the lines of current nutrition labelling.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT committed to lobbying where opportunities arise.
225	Deliver training to officers and members on the climate impacts of food consumption and the linked benefits of healthy and climate conscious eating and active lifestyles.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Training rolled out to staff March 2021 and Cllrs April 2021
250	Working with partners, co-create a Vision for the natural environment in Somerset, develop a strategy for implementing the Vision.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Action owned overall by Somerset Wildlife Trust and the Local Nature Partnership. SWT producing own supporting nature recovery vision document to cover land management etc.
256	Deliver a "free tree" giveaway project where town and parish councils can apply for a package of trees, stakes and tree protectors to deliver in their community.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Now in its second year, SWT have a scheme for parish and town councils can order free trees for national tree planting week every year
281	Support Wellington Transition Town and Wellington on Street Team groups to deliver on the tree planting plans for Wellington.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	The Council supported Wellington Transition Town through the 2020 free tree giveaway. Also contributing to tree planting on the WTT Foxes Field project.
292	Deliver the Maidenbrook Country Park, including tree planting and creation of active travel routes linking Monkton Heathfield and Nerrols.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT are engaged with the parish council and looking for ways to further support the delivery of their scheme wider and more ambitious scheme. The current park is in place and is an Asset owned by SWT, and therefore the initial creation is complete.
252	Lobby Government to introduce a national ban on peat extraction.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT is committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.
253	Work with partners to set out how to restore peatlands in Somerset by establishing a Peat Partnership, revitalising the Somerset Levels and Moors Peatland Task Force and working with the IUCN Peatland Programme.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Action owned overall by a sub-group of the Local Nature Partnership. Likely action requires Council to be a lead partner.

254	Work with partners to develop and deliver on an Ash Die Back Action Plan to ensure replacement of affected trees and utilisation of wood for biomass energy.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Early officer-led conversations have begun around developing a more holistic countywide action plan, but no details as yet. Council-owned trees inspected on rolling basis and currently dealt with on case-by-case basis. Any tree felled is replaced on the 3-1 basis.
261	Appoint additional Green Infrastructure Specialist to enable focus on delivery of the Nature Recovery Network Strategy and our own Green Blue Infrastructure Strategy with partners across the district.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	
303	Deliver immediate projects identified by the Taunton Strategic Flood Alleviation Improvement Scheme.	Current	external Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Officers continue to work with EA and partners to finalise schemes.
317	Work with partners to lobby Government to make the Somerset Rivers Authority a permanent body with a permanent annual Council Tax precept / other permanent funding.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Requires working with the other SRA partners to lobby Government with a specific proposal. Likely to be work in build up to Unitary.
323	Work with Wessex Water and South West Water to develop a communications campaign and signpost best practice guidance relating to water conservation and awareness.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Work underway with Hydration Stations, to be expanded to cover signposting of their existing advice. To incorporate the good work we are undertaking on waterless urinals and rainwater harvesting
309	Lobby Government to deliver national support for those communities that will be disproportionately affected by the impacts of climate change, including strategies, funding and triggers for assisted relocation.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	SWT Officers engaged with EA and the Devon and Somerset Coastal Group
	Work with the Somerset Rivers Authority to analyse sub-catchment flood-risk data across the district and develop integrated schemes for future delivery in at risk areas.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	SRA have set aside £150k for a Sub-catchment analysis and Development of Integrated Schemes. Project to analyse existing flood risk data, set it against the physical geography and see what gaps there area in protection. This will then produce factsheets for high risk areas not covered by existing schemes of works, and contain suggested solutions which could be future priority areas for SRA funding.
314	Work with partners to review the North Devon and Somerset Shoreline Management Plan in line with latest climate projections.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Remains ongoing. SWT represented on North Devon and Somerset Coastal Advisory Group
316	Fully support and play an active role at both officer and Member level in partnerships including the Somerset Rivers Authority and Somerset Catchment Partnership.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT are an active partner with Member and Officer representation
318	Deliver training to officers and members on projected climate impacts and specific local risks relating to flooding, sea level rise and coastal change.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Training rolled out to staff March 2021 and Cllrs April 2021

298	Lobby Government to develop grant funding for retrofitting of SUDS into existing communities.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT committed to lobbying when opportunities arise.
311	Lobby Government and insurance sector to ensure that insurance is fit for purpose and provides affordable cover for those in flood risk areas and supports the use of flood mitigation measures.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Likely that this action will be owned and progressed by the external partners (including FWAG, the NFU and Local Nature Partnership).
341	Develop a communications campaign to harness the carbon reduction opportunities presented by the "new normal" created by the Coronavirus pandemic and ensure there is no rebound effect once restrictions are lifted.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	This action is particularly optimistic as there appears to be considerable pent up demand for purchasing, entertainment, and travel these are activities that are traditionally high carbon producers. SWT have put in place a number of travel oportunities that we hope will live on long after the lockdown restrictions are lifted, including E-scooters, pedestrianisation
185	Establish a Climate Service within the Council	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	The Council have created a Climate Change and Environment team, with programme and project managers
330	Work to fully cost and carbon impact model the actions set out in this action plan (and others as they are developed).	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Remains an ongoing annual action as projects are developed.
331	Request budget approval for our CNCR plan	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	CNCR budget of £500k approved at Full Council 26th October 2020
336	Produce visual aids to communicate what key and familiar locations throughout the district might look like in the future with and without action to help people visualise the risks and the solutions required as part of a carbon neutral future.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	changed from pipeline to current and allocated to a project manager October 2021
	Monitor the Council's corporate GHG emissions and delivered actions on an annual basis.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	A baseline was carried out in 2018/19 this is currently being reviewed, focusing on adresssing the caveats in the first instance. No review this year as still very early for most projects.
	Monitor and review progress on delivery against this Carbon Neutrality and Climate Resilience Action Plan on an annual basis.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Commitment to an annual review with preparation of the future years activities. CNCR plan to update Community Scrutiny annually.

332	Appoint a Grant Funding Officer to specifically focus on identifying and applying to grant funding opportunities in relation to climate action.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change		Officer started 13/09/21 15 hours per week, Mondays and Tuesdays
334	Establish a local, multi-agency Climate Emergency Task Force including the Council and various stakeholders, community and interest groups to aid collaboration and delivery.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT and partners	Proposal being worked up by the Districts and County Council for the creation of an Implementation Board.
335	Disclose the Council and the district's emissions, climate risks and mitigation/adaptation plans to CDP on an annual basis, aiming to achieve a score of A (Leadership) by 2023.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SWT have submitted a return for 2021 in August SWT received a score of A- in 2020 SWT received a score of C in 2019
	Deliver 2 EV charge points at the Council's Deane House offices and Blackbrook Leisure Centre	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Blackbrook Live 23rd May Minehead Live 22nd July Dulverton Live 23rd July Deane House TBC
	Transition of pool car fleet to EV	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Phase 1 - purchase of 2 x EVs completed Phase 2 - followed by transition of reminder of the pool car fleet to occur during 2021/22
	Installation of Hydration Stations in key locations as determined by Wessex Water	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Agreements in place between SWT and WW. Minehead 04/10 to 13/10 Taunton 18/10 to 22/10 Wellington 25/10 to 29/10
	Rain water harvesting on council property	On hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Review underway to identify locations that are suitable for rainwater harvesting with the aim of reducing demand on fresh water from council operated properties. Early indication that payback periods may be prohibitive at present.
	Implement Recycling on the Go pilots within the District area and on behalf of Somerset Waste Partnership	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Grant funding bid was successful and the Commercial Services team were allocated funding towards the capital replacement of our bin infrastructure. Bin Audit carried out in July, the results of which showed that 34% of waste could be recycled. Plastic bottles and cans have been selected for segregation. Trial extended to whole of district.
	Committee report template to be updated to include climate impacts in executive summary, to enhance the visibility of climate change implications in recommendations for members	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	A new section on climate and sustainability implications has been added to the report template
	Promote the Terracycle free recycling programme	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	PR issued earlier in the year
55	Make an immediate switch to 100% renewable electricity tariff for Council grid supplied electricity linked to a Renewable Energy Guarantee of Origin (REGO) Certificate.	Complete	Internal Operations	SWT	The HH metered sites (large sites consuming over 100KVA) and the un-metered sites have switched over. However the standard sites could not be switched until April 2021.

181	Identify the Council's top ten most significant suppliers in terms of carbon emissions and proactively engage with them to establish a more accurate carbon footprint of the goods and services they supply and ways in which they can reduce emissions.	Current	Internal Operations	SWT	Work to identify top 10 based on a method from (Dan Lash Exeter University) in progress.
182	Adopt an interim procurement statement setting out an expectation that suppliers and their supply chains are actively working towards reducing their carbon footprint.	Complete	Internal Operations	SWT	Statement was agreed between officers in August 2019 Statement is being included in standard procurement templates.
180	Improve data collection and recording in relation to Council procurements by assigning each supplier to the relevant GHG reporting sector.	Pipeline	Internal Operations	SWT	Procurement officers aware of process undertaken for 2018/19. Need to set up process to capture this. *Top 10 identified as above will be surveyed to establish more detailed information on reporting mechanisms and GHG data.
58	Develop a local incentive scheme (e.g. Council Tax / Business Rates discount) to encourage local residents and businesses to install energy efficiency improvements, low carbon heat and renewable energy generation.	On hold	Internal Operations	SWT	This action is not being taken forward this year in view of resource constraints within the Revenues Team and the move to a single unitary council, which will require us to have common policies for this sort of scheme.
290	Develop a policy to enable all Council officers additional paid leave per year to volunteer in local climate action projects (e.g. tree planting).	On Hold	Internal Operations	SWT	11.10.21 - We have recently introduced a wellbeing day for all team members in light of the strain placed on the teams by Covid, this is a year long scheme. We can revert this to the climate day in future.
139	Develop a platform for staff to easily and securely arrange carpooling for business travel and commuting.	On Hold	Internal Operations	SWT	11.10.21 - we have conducted a number of surveys through the last 12 months that indicate our people prefer to work from home, we have taken a cautious approach to returning to the office and at the current time it is felt that such a service would be contradictory to this approach. As infections rates reduce we can seek to utilise the tools within ms365 to produce a tool.
140	Carry out a staff commuting survey on an annual basis and use this to develop and review a Green Travel Policy for the Council.	Pipeline	Internal Operations	SWT	Would be informed by an annual staff commuting survey which could only really be carried out once normalcy resumes.
147	Continue to improve the Council's digital conferencing facilities and wider digital transformation to reduce the need for staff, customers, Members and partners to travel, and seek to retain positive behaviour shifts achieved during COVID-19 lockdown.	Complete	Internal Operations	SWT	All staff and member technology enabled to support working from home and attend meetings remotely.
282	Produce and communicate a list of potential woodland creation grants for 2020, and forward plan bids where possible.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	This work is ongoing, and runs alongside tree planting project. Council's new bid writer post will manage this.

257	Investigate and deliver tree planting, hedgerow creation and other relevant projects on appropriate Council owned land holdings in line with the Nature Recovery Network and our own district Green Blue Infrastructure Strategy.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	<p>Council provided funding for Friends Groups Hedges for Edges project.</p> <p>Circa 700 trees planted on Council land over past 2 winters.</p> <p>Following on from pilot work, SWT has engaged consultants to identify areas on Council land for meadow creation, beginning Spring 2022.</p> <p>£100k identified in 21/22 budget to fund larger woodland creation projects. Plans for this currently being developed with partners, but land is limited. A joint EOI with SWT, ENPA, AONBs and others to the Trees for Action fund to develop a 'Somerset Forest' has been submitted.</p> <p>SWT is member of Nature Recovery Network and will contribute to other projects as they come forward from this.</p>
251	Develop a communications campaign to tell people about what the Council and partners are doing around the natural environment and how they can get involved through volunteering, attending skills and learning events and experience days.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Will involve listing out all forthcoming actions and timescales from this action plan and more detailed, specific projects and planning out general and targeted comms relating to those projects to publicise our efforts and get people involved. Concentrate on developing campaign so ready to hit the ground as projects deliver.
	Work with SLM (Everyone Active) to install combined heat and power (CHP) units at Blackbrook and Wellington Leisure Centres.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	SLM priced installation of CHP in both leisure centres at cost of £28k each. Project was on hold due to Centre closures during Covid, but can be pursued again.
	Work with SLM (Everyone Active) to replace air conditioning units at Blackbrook Leisure Centre fitness facilities and air handling units at Wellington Leisure Centre.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Air con units complete and the handling unit is currently being procured by SWT
82	Set in place improved data collection in relation to fuel usage and mileage travelled by the Council's vehicle fleet.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Mileage will be recorded through fuel cards. Installation of new sat tracking system in all vehicles will assist with identifying driver habits. New trackers order and awaiting installation
84	Conduct a Council vehicle fleet review using support provided by the Energy Saving Trust.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Requires engagement with EST on free review they offer on this. Should prioritise initial engagement with them to get ball rolling. Note, likely some overlap with DC Share project within which we have committed to transition of our fleet
0	Cleansing and maintenance of cycle routes	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Re-prioritising request has been made and is being supported
192	Work with Somerset Waste Partnership (SWP) to identify and engage with businesses utilising circular economy principles and seek to support and communicate best practice.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	Other	Carbon reduction is included in SWP business plan

219	Support and promote SWP campaigns and initiatives to increase waste reduction, reuse and recycling including the 'Slim My Waste, Feed My Face' campaign.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Campaigns were rolled out in Taunton current SWP 22/23 business plan WS paused due to Covid. Not in
198	Work with our street cleansing service provider to ensure that as much waste from public litter is recycled as possible.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Recycling on the Go project is in progress and the remainder of all waste goes to energy from waste with zero percentage going to landfill
285	investigate and deliver major urban tree planting schemes on appropriate Council-owned land.	Current	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	£100k identified in 21/22 budget to fund larger woodland creation projects to be delivered in 22/23. Plans for this currently being developed with partners, but land is limited.
266	Set a corporate policy requiring replacement of any tree that is removed on Council land or as part of a Council development with a minimum of three new saplings and encourage other organisations to adopt similar standards.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Corporate policy was adopted and implemented.
272	Develop communications campaign to explain the Council's new approach to managing open spaces.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	QR code signage with link explaining new principles featured in open spaces during 2021. Design principles to be formally adopted in 2022/23
276	Deliver and monitor five Wildflower Meadow Pilots on Council-owned land at Grange Drive, Leycroft Grove and Moorfields (Taunton); Gay Street; and at Seaward Way, and Culvercliffe (Minehead).	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	60kg of wild seeds sown in open spaces including Seaward Way, Culvercliffe, Grange Drive, Leycroft Grove...
	Promote external tree planting funding opportunities such as the Woodland Trust's "Free trees for schools and communities" project to our communities.	Complete	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Potential funding opportunities have been communicated to Friends Groups and public via social media. Complete, but will be ongoing.
271	Begin delivering on open space management plans prepared by Somerset Wildlife Trust for Council-owned open spaces at French Weir, Glasses Mead, Silk Mills P&R, Vivary, Blackbrook, Children's Wood, Hamilton Gault, Killam's, Wedlands, Weirfield, Wellsprings, Galmington.	Pipeline	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Principles of management plans now being followed. Further work where required will follow adoption of design principles.
274	Develop an information pack, standard agreement and communications campaign for community groups and parish councils who wish to manage Council-owned open spaces.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Has been previously considered but no decision yet has been taken
286	Increase capacity of Council nurseries to grow our own trees, starting with a pilot growing 2,000 whips at our Stoke Road nursery.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Review of Nursery completed. Could be incorporated into business plan. Likely to be incorporated as part of wider woodland creation projects.
275	Establish mechanism to monitor impacts of changing open space management, trees planted etc.	On Hold	External Operations and Climate Change	SWT	Awaiting adoption of design principles. Some Friends Groups trialling PlantLife app.