

Full Council – 19 June 2019

A Council of Equality and Environmental Sustainability

Motion proposed by Councillor Brenda Weston, seconded by Councillor Libby Lisgo

Recommendations:-

- (1) Somerset West and Taunton Council welcomes the reaffirmation by the new administration of the Shadow Council's commitment to tackle climate change as a priority.
- (2) Council also welcomes the revised Corporate Equality Objectives approved by the Shadow Executive on 26th March alongside the statutory protected characteristics set out in Section 149 (the Public Sector Equality Duty) of the Equality Act 2010.
- (3) Council resolves to give effect, and make transparent its commitment to these aims by ensuring that, through the scrutiny process, all new policy proposals and reviews are assessed with due regard to their impact on:
 - economic and social disadvantage
 - climate change
 - rurality
 - digital exclusion
- (4) Council will seek to mitigate any identifiable adverse impacts as far as possible within the constraints of current legislation and available resources, and record any unmet needs as these emerge.