



Any key decision/s set below will come into force and may be implemented after 5.00pm on the fifth clear working day after publication of the decision, unless they are called-in, with the exception of any key decision on a matter dealt with under the special urgency provisions set out in the Constitution which may be implemented immediately.

1 Announcements, Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

Apologies were received from Belinda Clarke, Business Board Representative

Cllr Eley declared an interest in item 8 as he is a director of the Ethos Care Group Ltd

2 Minutes and Action Log

The minutes of the meeting on 11 September were approved as an accurate record.

The action log was noted by the Committee.

3 Public Questions

No public questions were received.

4 Combined Authority Forward Plan

RESOLVED

a) To note the Combined Authority Forward Plan

5 Director's Highlights Report

RESOLVED

a) To note the contents of the report

6 Natural Cambridgeshire

Presentation and discussion only

7 Local Nature Recovery Strategy

RESOLVED

a) To note progress of the Local Nature Strategy.

8 Climate Projects Group

RESOLVED (UNANIMOUS):

a) That the Sustainable Land Use Advice programme is used for:

- a Biodiversity Net Gain register,
- advice to farmers on accessing the Fund for Nature; and
- support for farming groups looking at landscape-scale solutions.

b) To extend the delivery period for the Care Homes Retrofit Programme to December ~~2024~~**2025** [subject to a full review in January 2024](#).

c) To extend the Doubling Nature metrics survey programme to January 2026

d) To note the progress on climate-related projects

9 Affordable Housing Programme – Update on Implementation

RESOLVED

- a) That the Environment & Sustainable Communities Committee note the report.

10 Housing Loans Update

RESOLVED

- a) To note the current position in respect of loan repayments required to fund the 2021-2022 Affordable Housing Programme.

11 GSE Net Zero Hub Board Decisions

RESOLVED

- a) To note the decisions made by the Executive Director of Resources & Performance based on the recommendations of the Greater South East Net Zero Hub Board

12 Climate Partnership Update

Verbal Update

13 Budget Performance Report

RESOLVED

- a) To note the financial position of the Environment and Sustainable Communities Division for the financial year 23/24 to September 2023
- b) To review and comment on the current Environment and Sustainable Communities budgets within the Combined Authority's Medium-Term Financial Plan and Capital Programme.

14 Environment and Sustainable Communities Committee Agenda Plan

RESOLVED

- a) To note the Agenda Plan

15 Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED

- a) To remain in public session

16 Affordable Housing Programme – Reallocation of Funds

RESOLVED (UNANIMOUS):

- a) To note the Affordable Housing Programme and the non-delivery of 4 of the 6 Garage sites, which will lead to the loss of 8-11 units in total, this is subject to design and planning.
- b) To approve the reallocation of the remaining funding for the Garage sites to the Stanground site, this sum is £332,500.

17 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 22 January 2023