



CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN – Current Progress Jan 2023

RAG rating key							
C	Completed	■	On track	■	Slippage	■	Significantly off track

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THEME 1- Council Leadership and influencing others						
1	Appoint, on a two-year fixed term contract a dedicated full-time post, to coordinate the Council's work on climate change	Environment & Sustainability Officer in post	March 2020	Head of Place Development	C	Two year appointment was made in 2020. Now replaced with permanent role recruited in January 2022.
2	Impact of Climate Change addressed in every Council Committee report coming forward	Climate change addressed in committee reports	May 2020	Chief Legal Officer	C	All committee reports now include details of any climate & environmental impact of recommendations.
3	The new Four Year Corporate Plan 2020-2024 to reflect the Council's commitment to Climate Change	Climate change addressed within the themes of the new Four Year Plan	Jan 2020	Head of Corporate Governance	C	Implemented. Tackling Climate Change included as a priority under Green & Vibrant theme in Four Year Plan.

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4 P R I O R I T Y (P)	Develop and deliver a Local Plan and associated policies that contribute positively and demonstrate the Council's commitment to climate change	Bring forward a Local Plan which includes planning design policies which supports the delivery of new homes that are energy efficient with minimal environmental impact. Through partnership working bring forward the borough's first carbon neutral home and gain a better understanding and knowledge of construction methods and costs. A proposal for the Council to adopt Passivhaus Trust standards (or similar)	Aligned to formal published Local Plan timetable	Head of Place Development		Part of the Local Plan process. Commissioned a Climate Change Study to feed into the development of climate policies in the Local Plan. Regulation 18 consultation due Feb 2023

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5	Actively seek opportunities to develop carbon neutral homes in the Borough	Through the Local Plan process identify potential locations and developers to build the borough's carbon neutral homes	Local Plan formally adopted	Head of Place Development		To be addressed through local Plan policy and for later years.
6	Identify how sustainability can be taken into consideration as part of the procurement process	<p>Incorporate sustainability, carbon emissions reduction and single-use-plastic elimination into Procurement Strategy.</p> <p>Work with our contractors through our procurement procedures to implement sustainable practices across our estate</p>	<p>June 2022</p> <p>Ongoing</p>	Head of Corporate Governance		<p>Procurement Strategy updated with policy on sustainable procurement and to take the impact of climate change into procurement decisions.</p> <p>All contractors written to with links to advice. Details on renewable energy & LoCASE grants shared through business newsletter and events.</p>

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7	Provide information on Council website to promote changes which residents and businesses can make to address impact on climate change	Create a dedicated section on the Council's main website with information and links which enables residents and businesses to contribute to tackling climate change.	Jan 2023	Head of Place Development		<p>The Council has a designated page on Climate Change.</p> <p>Aligned with the Climate Change Comms Plan the webpages will be reviewed and updated biannually.</p>
8 P R I O R I T Y	Increase communications on the impact of Climate Change with the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the requirement for everyone to play their part in making a difference	Use a range of communication channels and signposting on key topics.	Jun 2022 & Ongoing	Head of Place Development & Comms & Engagement Manager		<p>Climate Change Comms Plan developed. Delayed implementation due to comms team changes. Due to start roll out in early 2023.</p> <p>Borough insight, business newsletter and social media channels used to promote carbon saving schemes, including LoCASE, fuel poverty grants and solar together scheme.</p> <p>Solar Together campaign (in partnership with SCC) led to 60 residential PV installations.</p>
9	Provide practical help to vulnerable and disabled people to improve energy efficiency in their homes.	Promote and market the take up of available grants and support through the Council's Home Improvement Agency and provide energy efficiency advice through Action Surrey to	On-going	Head of Housing & Environmental Services		<p>Ongoing through Action Surrey partnership – Surrey's low carbon community.</p> <p>Delivery of Green Jump Surrey scheme & ECO funding. 1,176 grant measures implemented to date under ECO funding; 38 grant measures under LAD1 & 2 funding.</p> <p>Sustainable Warmth (LAD3) grant funding launched from Oct 2022.</p>

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		vulnerable or disabled people				
10	Review and share good practice in house building and housing management with local Housing Associations	Contact local Housing Associations to understand about what they are doing through construction of new homes and managing existing homes, to reduce CO2 emissions.	Mar 2023 Ongoing	Head of Housing & Environmental Services		Ongoing during discussions with Housing Associations. The new Strategic Housing Manager joined in November 2022 and will continue this work.
11	Promote take-up of the Borough's allotments and the benefits of local food production	Review vacancy levels of allotments and promote take up where required.	March 2023 Ongoing	Head of Operational Services		The Council continues to promote allotments through its website and contact centre. There has been a significant increase in applications for allotments. Inspections focus on empty plots & non-cultivation. Empty plots continue to be offered to those on waiting list and await agreement to proceed. Officers are focussing on allocations and ensuring allotment plots are fully utilised.

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12	Undertake an audit of Council policies to identify their impact on climate change and demonstrate that they are contributing positively to Climate Change	Complete audit of Council policies and plans to identify those that can make the greatest contribution to tackling Climate Change. Develop a programme outlining the timescale and resources for these policies to be reviewed and updated. This includes but is not limited to: Procurement Policy. Medium Term Financial Strategy. Capital Strategy. Asset Management Plan. Biodiversity Policy. Management Plans for parks and open spaces.	March 2022	Head of Corporate Governance and other relevant Heads of Service	C	All policies updated as of March 2022. The Parks & Open Spaces Management Plans come under a separate action in this plan (action 45).

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13	Increase number of sustainable planting schemes across the borough	Identify opportunities for new sustainable planting in parks, roundabouts, urban bedding etc.	March 2023	Head of Operational Services		Ongoing approach to more sustainable planting. Will link in with tree planting plans being developed under the Tree Management Plan (see action 44) and Park Management plans (see action 45).
14	Provide information to support funerals that are ecological and environmental	Provide information & material on ecological and environmental interments	March 2022	Head of Housing & Environmental Services	C	Burial of cremated remains are now in Bioboxes instead of Polytainers (plastic containers). The Council has limited influence beyond this.
15 N E W	Baseline and then monitor the Councils own operational carbon emissions and report annually	Set in place improved data collection in relation to energy usage from owned and operated Council buildings and fuel usage by the Councils vehicle fleet	Dec 22 Ongoing	Environment & Sustainability Officer		Emissions for Council operations baselined for 2019/20. Emission data now collated for 2020/21 & 2021/22 periods. Improved process for energy monitoring being set up through energy bureau service with current provider.

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THEME 2 Council building and energy use						
16	Move the Council's electricity usage to 100% renewable sources	Review current energy contracts and explore opportunity and timeline to switch to fully renewable sources as early as possible.	Dec 2020	Head of Property & Regeneration	C	All purchased electricity for Council operated buildings is REGO (Renewable Energy Guarantees of Origin) certified. Continues to be specified in renewal of energy contracts.
17 P R I O R I T Y	Identify & implement opportunities to reduce energy consumption from Council owned and operated buildings	Incorporate reducing CO2 emissions as a criterion for the Council's capital investment programme Identify the highest energy consuming buildings in estate Develop detailed feasibility studies of our top energy consuming assets to identify viable energy efficiency projects that are funding ready.	Oct 2022 On-going	Chief Finance Officer Environment & Sustainability Officer Head of Property & Regeneration		The Capital programme now includes CO2 emissions as criteria Highest energy consuming sites identified. Internal staff education on energy efficiency in the workplace (and when working from home) being provided as part of a programme of Climate Change education for Council employees. Asset review of Town Hall to be considered by S & R and then further asset review to follow. Feasibility & funding options being developed for sites not under review.

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18	Addressing CO2 emissions” to be an explicit priority for action within the Council’s new Asset Management Plan	Audit the CO2 emissions of Council buildings.	Sept 2020	Head of Property & Regeneration	C	<p>The Asset Management Plan was approved by S&R in July 2020. The Plan supports the delivery of ‘high quality, sustainable and energy efficient buildings’ with a KPI on emissions.</p> <p>Carbon emissions for each of the Councils operational buildings has been calculated, informing future decisions.</p>
19	Reduce CO2 emissions caused by gas and other fossil fuel powered heating systems	Undertake a review of our current heating systems and identify options for tackling the highest emission buildings exploring alternative technology such as ground and air source heat pumps. Report back to Strategy and Resources outlining the findings of the review and the proposed next steps.	Dec 2022 On-going	Head of Property & Regeneration		<p>Review undertaken as part of asset reviews for each property, Town Hall review is underway once there is clarity on the future of the Town Hall, Bourne Hall review will follow.</p> <p>Thermal imagery surveys undertaken at: Bourne Hall, Playhouse, Depot & Wellbeing Centre. Will inform business case for improved insulation and other measures identified to reduce heat loss.</p>

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20 P R I O R I T Y	Replace traditional lighting with energy efficient longer lasting LED lighting	Complete an energy survey of current lighting in Council occupied buildings to ascertain those that will reduce energy consumption. Then develop a programme based on business cases to switch all lighting to LED.	Mar 2023	Head of Property & Regeneration		<p>11 buildings have now had LED/energy efficient lighting installed.</p> <p>LED lighting programme being delivered in early 2023 at: Longmead Depot Auriol Pavilion King George's Field Pavilion.</p> <p>Due to increased costs for delivery several sites are on hold: Bourne Hall Old Town Hall Street lighting various</p>
21 P R I O R I T Y	Investigate the potential for the installation of PV panels and solar storage on Council operated assets and land. Implement where economically and technically viable	Appraise options for installation of solar panels on Council buildings through a feasibility study. then submit business case and planning permission for each building	Dec 2022	Head of Property & Regeneration		<p>Feasibility study conducted at Epsom Playhouse and business case developed. Bourne Hall & Wellbeing Centre feasibility studies due early 2023.</p> <p>Feasibility of Solar Car Park canopies being explored.</p> <p>PV array installed on Operation Depots Mobile Trailer.</p> <p>PV array on Operations Depot roof has to date generated over 130,000kWh of electricity and saved 35tonnes of CO2 emissions.</p> <p>Awaiting committee decision about the future of the Town Hall.</p>

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22 N E W	Investigate measures to reduce water consumption in Council owned assets	Set in place improved data collection in relation to water consumption from owned and operated Council sites Investigate the installation of water saving fixtures and fittings as part of any upgrade works	Mar 23 On-going	Head of Property & Regeneration		
23 N E W	Investigate and where appropriate implement opportunities to reduce energy consumption from our leased properties, subject to lease agreement	Compile list of leased sites and lease end/renewal dates Collate data for annual energy consumption at leased sites Undertake feasibility studies to identify energy efficiency measures in leased buildings and implement where economically and technically viable.	Mar 23 Oct 23 Mar 24	Head of Property & Regeneration		

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24 N E W	Build awareness and support opportunities for community energy projects in conjunction with other stakeholders	Promote and link to the support offered by Community Energy South East	On-going	Head of Place Development		
25 N E W	Lobby government to make retrofit of the existing building stock a national infrastructure priority	Respond in relevant government consultations	On-going	Head of Place Development		

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THEME 3 Transport improvements & switch to lower polluting vehicles						
26 P R I O R I T Y	Assess the opportunity to transition fleet vehicles to electric or low carbon options	Investigate and understand any potential opportunities to progressively switch to low or zero emission vehicles.	Mar 2023	Head of Operational Services		<p>The operational services team review low carbon fleet options on a regular basis and the current state of the technology available. A Climate Change & Transport (Fleet) report was first produced in 2019 providing detail on current fleet situation and assessing low carbon opportunities. Report is being updated for 2023.</p> <p>Most of the fleet are on long leases until 2027, therefore emphasis is towards planning ahead for renewal dates.</p> <p>The Council currently has one electric staff pool vehicle.</p>
27 N E W	Devise a plan for transitioning the fleet to electric or low carbon options	When current fleet contracts next come up for renewal and in the shorter-term, phase out use of all vehicles that do not meet at least the Euro 6 emissions standard.	Mar 2024	Head of Operational Services		

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28	Introduce more cycle racks/covers	Increase the number of cycle racks installed in the borough as part of the Plan E programme and apply for other funding to increase the number of cycle racks in other areas – particularly at key transport hubs.	Dec 2020	Head of Corporate Governance		27 cycle racks were included in the marketplace Planning conditions on planning permissions being applied – ongoing
29	Promote take up of new electric pool car	Encourage more staff from across the Council to make use of the new electric zero emissions vehicle to undertake their travel across the borough	March 2022	Chief Legal Officer	C	Implemented. Pool vehicle is being regularly used. Based on 2020/21 figures currently used for 5% of staff business travel by car = 0.5 tonnes reduction in CO2 emissions.
30	Publish DEFRA Annual Status Report with a plan of action to address areas of concerns	Publish finding and action plan and make available to the public on the council's web site.	Annually	Head of Housing & Environmental Services		Air Quality Management Plan published annually (latest June 2022). Gradual improvement of air quality for over a decade in Borough. 2021 the first year in which the levels in the existing AQMA were below the national objective.

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31	Implement public electric charging points in Council operated car parks	Explore opportunities to install electric charging points in Council operated car parks.	Oct 22	Head of Operational Services		16 charge points being installed across 6 Council owned sites. 8 of the 16 charge points installed to date. Hook Road & Ashley Centre CP's completed. Dorset House & Depot Road CP's underway. Delay at Bourne Hall due to planning issue.
32	Work with Surrey County Council to encourage a network of on-street electric vehicle charging points	Engage with Surrey County Council as the Highways Authority to develop a proposal and plan for a network of public charging points throughout the Borough for electric and hybrid vehicles to encourage the switch to hybrid and fully electric vehicles.	Mar 23	Head of Place Development		Ongoing collaboration with SCC through Surrey EV Forum. SCC currently running a procurement for an EV charge point supplier to deliver funded public charge points across Surrey highways.
33	Fine drivers who leave engine running whilst parked	Implement the #DontBeldle campaign in the borough	April 2022	Head of Operational Services		Anti-Idling powers adopted by Council. Comms campaign run in Spring 2022.

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34	Support and enable the public to transition to low emission vehicles	Understand emerging practice to promote behaviour change to driving regarding; differential parking charges and preferential parking spaces and to promote low or zero emissions vehicles.	Ongoing	Head of Operational Services		As per updates on actions 31 & 32. Produced comms & social media posts on the Surrey Interactive EV Charge point request map.
35	Facilitate new car club scheme	Explore how to establish a car club within the Borough and promote the greater take up of car clubs and car sharing in the borough.	March 2023	Head of Place Development		Part of planning process for new development. Sustainable transport policy drafted as part of the development of the local plan.
36 N E W	Investigate measures for incentivising Council employees to walk, cycle or use other lower emission modes of transport for their commute	Review of current incentives for staff. Conduct staff survey on commuting Explore options for incentives to change travel habits	Oct 2023	Head of Place Development		Electric Vehicle information event organised for staff (Nov 22)

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THEME 4 – Improvements to the environment						
37	Install water drinking fountains & refill stations around the Borough	Install drinking water fountains in the Market Place and the Harrier Centre. Develop a plan to install refill stations	Dec 2020 Dec 2022	Head of Operational Services		6 water fountains installed in 6 parks with CIL 15% funding one in marketplace.
38	Tackle use of single use plastics at Council operated buildings and venues	Cease council use of single use plastics in all Council operated venues.	Oct 2023	Head of Property & Regeneration		Removed all plastic cups from operational buildings and staff encouraged to use reusable bottles and cups. Stopped buying plastic-based refreshment supplies where possible and where it hasn't, continue to look at alternative options. Procurement strategy updated to include requirements for SuP impacts to be built into all appropriate procurement. Introduced segregated office recycling bins to enable improved recycling of plastics in our buildings.
39	Understand how the Council can increase the level of carbon capture from Council owned and managed land	Develop base line data on current level of carbon (CO2) capture by using trees on land that the Council owns and manages. Where possible increase the level of carbon capture that	Oct 2021	Head of Operational Services		Countryside Manager has undertaken a review of carbon capture from trees (Tree Cover Study 2021). Includes identifying potential locations for further tree planting which is informing the development of a Tree Management Plan.

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		can be achieved by managing and enhancing biodiversity on Council owned land				
40	Work with relevant specialist groups in the community to drive up sustainable practice both inside and outside the organisation	<p>Parks friends groups.</p> <p>Tree Advisory Board.</p> <p>Lower Mole Partnership.</p> <p>E&E Local Biodiversity Action Plan Working Group.</p>	On-going	Head of Operational Services & Head of Place Development		<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Supported Eco Fair at St Martins Church & sustainability themed Herald of Spring event</p> <p>Promoting Community Energy South support for community groups.</p> <p>Countryside Team (CT) have active involvement with local partnership groups including supporting a new wetlands project.</p> <p>CT also supporting voluntary groups on biological monitoring & utilising electric hand tools.</p>
41	Council's Biodiversity Action Plan to reflect commitment to climate change	<p>Update the Council's Local Biodiversity Action Plan 2010-2020 to cover period 2021-2031</p>	Dec 2020	Head of Place Development	C	<p>Published and action plan agreed. Reflects a commitment to tackling both climate change and biodiversity as interrelated issues.</p> <p>Biodiversity Action Plan Group, which includes external partners, are supporting implementation of the BAP.</p>

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42	Review implications and potential opportunities of the parliamentary Electricity Bill	Monitor the progress of the new Electricity Bill and identify future actions for the Council	On-going	Head of Place Development		Awaiting Bill - outside control of EEBC
43 P	Explore potential for land in the borough to be used for sustainable energy production	This may include locations for solar panels or wind turbines	March 2023	Head of Place Development		A high-level renewables opportunity study was commissioned by Surrey County Council with feed-in from Borough Council's. Focused on land in ownership of Borough or County Council for large scale Solar PV projects. Limited opportunities were identified from this study in Epsom & Ewell. Sites would need to be allocated through the local plan.
44 P	Increase tree cover in the borough to enhance the Borough's biodiversity and increase carbon capture	Develop a plan to increase tree cover in the borough where appropriate	Jan 2023	Head of Operational Services		Tree Cover Study demonstrated the high tree cover the Borough already benefits from. Tree Management Plan being developed which includes plans for further planting where appropriate.
45	Park management plans reflecting climate change priorities	Promoting greater biodiversity. Sustainable planting.; carbon capture.; coping with more extreme weather conditions; sustainable approaches to land management.	Dec 2023	Head of Operational Services		To be progressed from 2023/24.

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46	Contractors – removal of the use of single use plastics at Borough buildings and venues by contractors	No single use plastic in use by Council Contractors	Dec 2023	Head of Property & Regeneration		To be progressed from 2023/24
47	In line with current Council Policy, secure National Nature Reserve status on Epsom Common Local Nature Reserve as directed by the 2016-2116 management plan	Work with Natural England and the Epsom Common Association to secure National Nature Reserve status for Epsom Common LNR as directed by the current management Plan	Dec 2025	Head of Operational Services		The Council continues to liaise with Natural England on progressing this.
THEME 5 – Tackling and minimising waste						
48	Increase recycling by private companies in the borough	Through new Business Bins Recycling Service. Targeted business marketing to expand take up of the new service. Provide branding that businesses can use to promote their recycling practice.	Mar 2023	Head of Operational Services		Business Bins have been re branded and promoted to businesses. A further targeted mailshot campaign is planned for 2023.

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49	Utilise the new Epsom Market Place to promote sustainable practice	<p>Promote use of sustainable packaging and LED lighting by market traders.</p> <p>Build on the success and embed Vegan Market to promote further behaviours that support and encourage low carbon living.</p>	April 2024	Head of Operational Services	.	<p>All market traders to use LED lights.</p> <p>All non-food stalls and dry foods greengrocers are no longer permitted to use single use plastic carrier bags.</p> <p>Market traders have encouraged customers to use reusable bags by giving out Epsom Market Jute bags.</p> <p>Commitment made that from April 2024 the Market Place will be a single use plastic free, sustainable zone; all food waste, cardboard, paper and glass must be recycled and no residual landfill waste collection required or provided.</p>
50	Increase the rollout of recycling bins in key high footfall areas of the town	Install recycling bins in the Town Centre as part of the Plan E scheme and identify other locations after assessment of performance	June 2020	Head of Operational Services	.	Town Centre bins all now include recycling. Clear labelling is attached to all public bins in order to reduce contamination.
51	Establish a “Library of Things” in the Borough	Undertake a review to understand what other councils have done in this area, what is required and best practice to operate a “Library of Things”.	Dec 2023	Head of Corporate Governance	.	<p>Epsom Repair Café has launched.</p> <p>Zero Waste Shop opened on Ewell High Street and have a stall on Epsom Market.</p> <p>Officers approached a social enterprise company who run LoTs but received a limited response.</p>

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52	Increase recycling in the borough to 60% by 2025	Increase recycling in the borough to 60% by 2025 through: More public and business communications about the value of recycling publishing information about what happens to recycled materials put into bins.	Dec 2025	Head of Operational Services		To be considered as part of response to national waste strategy.
THEME 6 Use of technology & information systems						
53	Reduce need for staff to travel to meetings	Utilise conference technology to enable staff and partner organisations to meet virtually and reduce journeys	Dec 2020	Head of Digital & Service Transformation		Office 365 rolled out improving ability for virtual meetings. Main meeting rooms provided with conference facilities. 3 additional rooms at Town Hall created for Teams Meetings. Staff business travel for the most recent period 2021/22 sore a near 75% reduction from 2019/20 figures.
54	Rollout new low energy thin client infrastructure	Install thin client technology reducing power use	Dec 2020	Head of Digital & Service Transformation	C	Implemented

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55	Utilise technology to change working practices, promote digital skills and improve and make the Council more paper free	Utilise electronic systems and change the working practices to significantly reduce our reliance on paper	Dec 2020	Head of Digital & Service Transformation / Head of HR & OD		Office 365 roll out increased functionality for sharing and working on documents digitally, supporting a significant reduction in paper use.
56	Move council service information and transactions on-line	To reduce journeys and postage launch an on-line portal and customer account to enable residents and businesses to complete and track their transactions on-line	By March 2023	Head of Digital & Service Transformation		Ongoing project - Starting phase 2. My Council Services - aim to make it as easy as possible for customers to make requests/transaction etc online.
57	Implement high speed Wi-fi & digital connectivity in Council's main public buildings	To reduce journeys and improve the ease of performing online work from Council buildings improve the speed and reliability of the Wi-fi	March 2022	Head of Digital & Service Transformation	C	Implemented.

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58	Progressively move Council's systems to more energy efficient cloud solutions	Develop and implement a road map for migrating systems to the cloud and ensuring that cloud solutions are using renewable sources of energy	2025/26	Head of Digital & Service Transformation		Begun the process of moving servers on to cloud system. Will continue to be delivered under the new IT Strategy
59	Wi-fi in the Town Centre	Identify the mechanism to secure free wi-fi in the Town Centre. Report back on the options and next steps	June 2023	Head of Corporate Governance		The BID chose not to progress this initiative in its first term. Will be considered again in second term.

Annex – actions outside of direct control of the Council

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1	Encourage more sustainable transport options for visiting the Town Centre and trips to schools	<p>Work with Surrey County Council Highways Authority to explore options to further encourage a switch to more sustainable transport options into the Town Centre.</p> <p>Work with Surrey County Council Highways Authority to discourage the build-up of traffic outside schools such as piloting a “School Streets” type programme.</p>				<p>The Council has promoted cycling and work on Anti Idling outside schools.</p> <p>We have also promoted walks within the Borough. EEBC will comment on consultations from SCC recommending need for a school travel plan.</p> <p>SCC role to work with schools.</p>

2	Increase number of safe cycle routes throughout the borough	Work with Surrey County Council to identify opportunities to improve cycling routes in the borough and /or introduce new ones reporting on progress to Environment & Safe Communities.				EEBC has fed into SCC Infrastructure Plan a requirement for a Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan to develop proposals for routes and networks. This will inform the local plan, CIL programmes and SCC and developer delivery of walking and cycling infrastructure.
3	Encourage fewer cars per household	Investigate options to improve public transport. This action is also linked to a number of other actions outlined in Theme 3.				LTP4 and parking standards and ongoing in Year 2 and 3.
4	Introduce Electric Buses	Understand recent policy change from Surrey County Council and promote the idea of the borough taking part in any pilot schemes. Contact local bus operators regarding piloting the introduction of low or				This is a SCC policy decision (as are the bus contracts) and therefore outside control of EEBC. Target not being progressed.

		zero emissions electric buses, starting with a smaller hopper bus.				
5	Promote the use of more sustainable materials in packaging	<p>Contact / lobby local supermarkets regarding phasing out single use plastics and reducing food miles.</p> <p>Promote how to reduce waste, by shifting to more sustainable packaging, greater recycling to local businesses (including retailers and restaurants).</p>				<p>Council officers wrote to all major supermarkets regarding sustainable packaging.</p> <p>Awaiting more information on packaging in National Waste Strategy</p>
6	Devise opportunities to shift away from reliance on cars to travel in the borough	Work with the Surrey County Council as the Highways Authority and other relevant providers to look at local transport infrastructure and develop a plan to				LTP4 and parking standards.

		support moving away from car use. Embed a culture of sustainable travel in new housing developments using sustainable travel locations.				
7	Increase walking as an alternative to car use	a) Installation of new pedestrian signs and street maps to encourage walking as part Plan E. b) Encourage residents to walk through a range of initiatives and events.				Plan E signage The EAFRD – Epsom & Walton Downs and Wayfinding project will encourage the use of safe walking routes on the downs and linking with the Town Centre. The project is underway. Walking tours/ events in place and part of Health & Wellbeing initiatives
8	Enable more people to switch from car to bus travel	Work with Surrey County Council to complete the rollout of real time bus passenger information displayed on bus shelters to make bus travel an easier option				Realtime passenger displays in bus shelters LTP4, SCC bus policy - outside EEBC direct control although EEBC has commented on LTP4