

## Environment and Place O&amp;S Committee



Report subject	<b>Resourcing the Climate and Ecological Emergency</b>
Status	Public Report
Wards	Council-wide
Executive summary	<p>In recognition of the pace of delivery required for the Climate and Ecological Emergency, and the ambition to put sustainability at the heart of the new Corporate Strategy, the Council has made some organisation changes to reinforce the urgency in combating Climate Change, Ecological collapse, and making mitigation efforts to protect the population.</p> <p>Understandably, many councils are facing challenges on delivering against the UK's ambitions to be Net Zero, including a difficult financial environment and changes to national policy.</p> <p>With now only 6 years to be a Carbon Neutral Council by 2030, BCP Council is reviewing and focussing its efforts to increase the pace of delivery, secure funding and to put clear plans in place and help deliver against our ambition, including raising climate awareness, setting interim targets and SMART objectives.</p> <p>We also need to set clear targets and work collaboratively and at speed with external partners and the public to achieve our area-wide ambitions by 2050.</p>
Meeting date	28 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Portfolio Holder(s):	Councillor Andy Hadley, Portfolio Holder for Climate Mitigation, Environment and Energy
Presentation	We will present an overview of our approach, what's changed and plans for the future, the governance and structure needed to ensure delivery with consistency and greater impact.
Classification	For Noting
Corporate Director	Graham Farrant, Chief Executive
Report Authors	<p>Isla Reynolds, Director of Marketing, Communications and Policy</p> <p>Gail Scholes, Interim Head of Policy, Sustainability and Inclusion</p> <p>Neil Short, Strategic Lead: Climate, Resources and Sustainability</p> <p>Becky Beaumont, Sustainability Officer</p>

