

# HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

## Report

<b>Committee/Panel:</b>	Buildings, Land and Procurement Panel
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<b>Report From:</b>	Directors of Economy, Transport and Environment and Culture, Communities and Business Services.

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### 1. Context

1.1. The Energy Strategy was adopted by the County Council in November 2012, following approval of the Strategy at Cabinet on 29 October 2012.

1.2. The Energy Strategy specified that it would be delivered through consecutive four yearly Action Plans. This report brings the first Action Plan (ESAP1) to the Executive Member for Income and Capital Receipts for approval (see Appendix I).

1.3. It is proposed that the ESAP1 is aligned with the existing Carbon Management Plan (CMP). The ESAP1 and CMP will run alongside each other until the CMP finishes at the end of 2015. The five year CMP, approved by Cabinet on 26 July 2010 has the following targets:

- A 20% carbon reduction from the 2010 baseline, over five years until 2015;
- A 35% carbon reduction target by 2025, and;
- Becoming carbon neutral by 2050

1.4. An update of the Energy and Carbon Management Activities was taken to the Buildings, Land and Procurement Panel (BLaPP) on 8 October 2013, where progress on the CMP was provided.

### 2. Performance and Governance

- 2.1. The actions listed in the ESAP1 contribute directly to the aim and objectives of the Energy Strategy (see Appendix II) and the needs of a Council that is shaping its services for the future.
- 2.2. In response to the current economic priorities and resource pressures that the Council is facing, the majority of the actions within the ESAP1 are within existing work streams. The ESAP1 also reflects the need to generate savings and new income opportunities to support these priorities. Through reviewing and prioritising the cross-departmental actions, the plan will capture and monitor the progress of projects that contribute to the aim and objectives of the Energy Strategy.
- 2.3. The ESAP1 actions are described under eight themed areas of work:
- Energy in County Council Business Planning;
  - Energy Infrastructure Projects in County Council Assets (including Schools);
  - Energy in Building Management in County Council Assets;
  - Energy in Waste Management;
  - Energy in Schools;
  - Energy Policy and Process;
  - Energy Research, Development and Advice, and;
  - Energy in Hampshire.
- 2.4. Each action has been prioritised using the following criteria:
- ability to meet Hampshire County Council's aspirations;
  - low financial risk or sound invest-to-save proposal and;
  - ease of implementation
- 2.5. It is proposed that the implementation of the ESAP1 will be managed by a virtual Working Group, made up of officers from across the Council representing key areas of delivery within the ESAP1. This Working Group will report on progress of the actions to the existing Energy Working Group (see Appendix III for membership) on a quarterly basis, alongside a more detailed annual report and review.
- 2.6. As stated in the Energy Strategy, Action Plans will be refreshed every four years. The ESAP1 will therefore be succeeded by a further four year action plan in 2018. The content of future plans will be informed by the progress and development of the preceding plan, current priorities, and any issues that emerge through the plan period such as areas of demand, available technologies and cost implications.

### **3. Finance**

- 3.1. The ESAP1 does not have direct additional financial implications as the majority of the actions within the ESAP1 are within existing approved work streams. Staff resources required for the management of the ESAP1 will be kept to a minimal level as described in 3.5 above.
- 3.2. Some actions within the ESAP1 will require Capital or Revenue expenditure as part of their delivery. These projects are already part of approved

Departmental work streams and any authorisation required for expenditure will be taken to the relevant decision route for approval.

#### **4. Recommendations**

**That the Buildings, Land and Procurement Panel make the following recommendations to the Executive Member for Income and Capital Receipts:**

- 4.1. That approval is given for the first Energy Strategy Action Plan 1 (ESAP1), Appendix 1.
- 4.2. That the approval be given to the governance arrangements to deliver the ESAP1 and authority is given to begin implementation and monitoring.

**CORPORATE OR LEGAL INFORMATION:**

**Links to the Corporate Strategy**

<b>Hampshire safer and more secure for all:</b>	yes/ <del>no</del>
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Maximising well-being:</b>	yes/ <del>no</del>
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	
<b>Enhancing our quality of place:</b>	yes/ <del>no</del>
Corporate Improvement plan link number (if appropriate):	

**Other Significant Links**

<b>Links to previous Member decisions:</b>		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Reference</u>	<u>Date</u>
Carbon Strategy	1152	26/07/2010
Energy Strategy	4202	29/10/2012
<b>Direct links to specific legislation or Government Directives</b>		
<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>	

**Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents**

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

<u>Document</u>	<u>Location</u>
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None

## **IMPACT ASSESSMENTS:**

### **1. Equalities Impact Assessment:**

- 1.1 The proposals in this report have been developed with due regard to the requirements of the Equality Act 2010, including the Public Sector Equality Duty and the Council's equality objectives. The website contains a summary [assessment of the impacts](#) on the Objective "Ensuring that Hampshire is Energy and Climate Change Resilient".

### **2. Impact on Crime and Disorder:**

- 2.1. There is no impact on Crime and Disorder.

### **3. Climate Change:**

- 3.1. The Energy Strategy and Carbon Management Plan will have a significant positive effect on the carbon emissions of the County Council.
- 3.2. Climate change impacts are a driver in implementing reduction programmes.