

**EXECUTIVE  
2 APRIL 2019**

Councillors Mrs P A Bradwell OBE (Executive Councillor for Adult Care, Health and Children's Services) (Deputy Leader), C J Davie (Executive Councillor for Economy and Place), R G Davies (Executive Councillor for Highways, Transport and IT), Mrs S Woolley (Executive Councillor for NHS Liaison and Community Engagement), C N Worth (Executive Councillor for Culture and Emergency Services) and B Young (Executive Councillor for Community Safety and People Management).

Councillors B M Dobson (Chairman of the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee) and R B Parker (Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board).

Officers in attendance:-

Debbie Barnes OBE (Head of Paid Service), Andrew Crookham (Executive Director Resources), Glen Garrod (Executive Director of Adult Care and Community Wellbeing), Andy Gutherson (Interim Executive Director of Place), Cheryl Hall (Democratic Services Officer), Pete Moore (Executive Director, Finance and Public Protection), Heather Sandy (Interim Director of Education), Vanessa Strange (Accessibility and Growth Manager) and Nigel West (Head of Democratic Services and Statutory Scrutiny Officer).

**59      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor E J Poll (Executive Councillor for Commercial and Environmental Management).

The Leader welcomed Andrew Crookham (Executive Director Resources) to his first meeting of the Executive.

**60      DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

**61      ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE LEADER, EXECUTIVE COUNCILLORS AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS**

The Executive Councillor for Economy and Place was pleased to report that as part of the recent visit of representatives from China's Hunan Province, a strategic partnership agreement had been signed between the Midlands Engine and Hunan Province, which would further strengthen economic and trade cooperation.

The agreement signed would support UK companies looking to access markets in Hunan, and open pathways for investment into Lincolnshire and the rest of the country.

62     MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 5 MARCH 2019

RESOLVED

That the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2019 be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

63     CARBON MANAGEMENT PLAN 2018-2023

Consideration was given to a report from the Interim Executive Director of Place, which invited the Executive to approve and formally adopt the Carbon Management Plan 2018-2023, as detailed at Appendix A to the report, and its target of a 20% reduction in emissions from the 2016/17 baseline of 28,679 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> [Carbon Dioxide] by 2023.

The Accessibility and Growth Manager presented the summary document of the Carbon Management Plan (CMP) 2018-2023, as detailed at Appendix B to the report, and in doing so advised that the County Council had successfully implemented two previous CMPs: CMP1 and CMP2. The proposed Carbon Management Plan 2018-2023 (CMP 3) would continue to build on the success of the previous CMPs, which had included:

- CMP 1 had committed to a 20% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions on the 2005/06 baseline by March 2012; and
- CMP 2 had committed to a 22% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> emissions on the 2011/12 baseline by March 2018, with the final saving being 23.4%.

The proposed CMP 3 outlined the Council's vision for managing and reducing emissions arising from the Council's activities and operations between 2018 to 2023.

The CMP 2018 – 2023 detailed a programme of actions working towards the above mentioned target and further actions to continue embedding carbon management in the policies and practices of the County Council.

It was highlighted that by implementing an effective CMP, cost savings could be achieved for energy, water, transport and waste and would contribute to the efficient use of County Council resources.

The Chairman of the Environment and Economy Scrutiny Committee advised that the report had been considered by the Committee at its meeting on 26 February 2019. The comments of the Committee were included within the Executive report and were presented by the Chairman of the Committee.

Members were provided with an opportunity to ask questions, where the following points were noted: -

- The Executive supported the content of the report, including the proposed target and the ways in which it could be achieved. Reducing the carbon footprint for future generations was highlighted as an importance;
- Reference was made to *Diagram 1 – 2016/17 Baseline Summary All Emissions*, as detailed on page 11 of the agenda pack, which had shown that schools had comprised 36% of the energy costs in 2016/17. The complexities of working with schools to reduce bills and emissions were discussed, owing to the age of a significant number of school buildings in Lincolnshire. However, it was suggested that schools should be signposted to the relevant guidance on how to make buildings more energy efficient. It was recognised that this would be in keeping with the recent climate change protests undertaken by children and young people;
- The benefits of *Project 13 – IT Upgrades* were discussed, particularly the updating of the Council's video conferencing system, which could reduce travel. The implementation of newer technology which would help reduce the Council's printing was supported by the Executive. Furthermore, it was advised that analysis would be undertaken on the consumption of paper and whether this had been reduced in recent years. The Executive suggested that the use of paper should be reduced across the Council;
- It was highlighted that the council's carbon footprint could be further reduced through the delivery of other strands of work, for example the Lincolnshire Waste Strategy;
- It was confirmed that officers would liaise with the Council's Communication Team in the delivery of *Project 16 – Internal and External Communications*.

#### RESOLVED

That the Carbon Management Plan 2018-2023, as detailed at Appendix A to the report, and its target of a 20% reduction in emissions from a 2016/17 baseline of 28,679 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> by 2023, be approved and formally adopted.

The meeting closed at 11.05 am.