

**Present:** Councillor Ric Metcalfe (*in the Chair*),  
Councillor Chris Burke, Councillor Sue Burke and  
Councillor Bob Bushell

**Apologies for Absence:** Councillors Donald Nannestad and Councillor Neil Murray

**56. Confirmation of Minutes - 22 November 2021**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 22 November 2021 be confirmed.

**57. Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were received.

**58. City of Lincoln Council Decarbonisation Strategy and Action Plan Report**

Purpose of Report

To approve the City of Lincoln Council's Decarbonisation Strategy and Action Plan for the period 2021-2030.

Decision

That the Decarbonisation Strategy and Action Plan 2021-2030, as set on pages 19 – 48 of the agenda, be approved.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

None. The decision was in line with and supportive of the City of Lincoln Council's adopted policies on working towards carbon neutrality by 2030.

Reasons for the Decision

In 2019, the Council resolved to deliver a carbon neutral vision for Lincoln by 2030. The Council's carbon dioxide emissions were reviewed, and opportunities were identified to achieve a net zero carbon target for the Council's own emissions by 2030.

In September 2021 an external audit rated the Council's environmental performance at 92% for its plans in place to achieve a net zero carbon target by 2030. A Decarbonisation Strategy and Action Plan would set out how the Council intended to achieve net zero carbon for its own operations and services and contribute towards Lincoln's carbon neutral ambitions for its area.

The Council won the *Investors in the Environment's Overall Outstanding Achiever Award* in October 2021, which the Executive concluded represented an excellent achievement; and the Decarbonisation Strategy and Action Plan would further develop and consolidate the achievements already made.

**59. Exclusion of the Press and Public**

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business because it was likely that if members of the public were present there would be a disclosure to them of 'exempt information' as defined by Section 100I and Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

These items were considered in private as it was likely to disclose exempt information, as defined in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. No representations had been received in relation to the proposal to consider these items in private.

**60. Telephony Replacement**

Purpose of Report

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Decision

That the recommendations to the Executive, as set out in the exempt report, be approved.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Reasons for the Decision

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

**61. Write Outs of Irrecoverable Non Domestic Rates, Sundry Debts and Overpayment of Housing Benefit**

Purpose of Report

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Decision

That the recommendations to the Executive, as set out in the exempt report, be approved.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Reasons for the Decision

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

**62. 40-42 Michaelgate and 20-22 Steep Hill**

Purpose of Report

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Decision

That the recommendations to the Executive, as set out in the exempt report, be approved.

Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.

Reasons for the Decision

As detailed in the exempt report to the Executive.