

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT CITY COUNCIL – 12 JANUARY 2021

LEAD MEMBER REPORT: WEST MIDLANDS POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

RESOLVED:-

That the report be noted.

ROUTE TO ZERO REPORT

RESOLVED:-

To endorse the Action Plan and the priority areas set out within it.

To note that the Council is committed to delivering additional resources to the Route to Zero R20 work including the establishment of a Climate Change and Sustainability Team led by a new Assistant Director for Climate Change and Sustainability, the resources for which will be sought through the Medium-Term Financial Plan at February 2021 City Council.

The City Council's desire to be Net Zero Carbon by 2030 and support the reduction of carbon emissions across Birmingham is reliant upon National Government and the Combined Authority adopting a more ambitious approach to tackling the climate change emergency.

Currently neither are demonstrating the required leadership having set targets to be net zero carbon by 2050 and 2041 respectively.

The City Council will require support in both the provision of resources and changes to national policy to allow for the full delivery of the items contained within the Action Plan to reach the target of carbon neutrality by 2030.

By not doing so National Government and the Combined Authority will be failing in their duty to take seriously the existential threat that climate change poses and will be failing to grasp the economic opportunities that de-carbonisation of our local economy can bring. In the context of Covid-19, this is of greater significance as we seek to rebuild and renew the City once the coronavirus pandemic has finally passed.

The Council resolves to write to the Government to set out the necessary asks (in both resource and policy terms) in order to facilitate our transition to net zero carbon.

ROUGH SLEEPING ADDENDUM TO BIRMINGHAM HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION STRATEGY

RESOLVED:-

That the Rough Sleeping Addendum (Appendix A) is approved and the Interim Director of Neighbourhoods be authorised to publish and

disseminate the document as appropriate, as part of the City's overall Homelessness Prevention Strategy.