

Item 9 - Net Zero 2030 update and Kent & Medway Energy and Low Emissions Strategy

The attached report will be considered by the Cleaner & Greener Advisory Committee on 9 December 2020. The relevant Minute extract is below.

Cleaner & Greener Advisory Committee (9 December 2020, Minute 45)

The Chairman introduced and the Principal Planning Officer (Policy) presented the report which recommended endorsement of the Kent and Medway Energy and Low Emissions Strategy (ELES), which would help the Council fulfil one of its stage 1 actions of its commitment to Net Zero 2030. Members took the opportunity to ask questions and there was some concern expressed with regards to fuel poverty and initial impact of costs for reduction measures, and costs and incentive measures for those not in fuel poverty for which it could still be seen as too costly. The Principal Planning Officer (Planning) undertook to feedback concerns to Kent County Council (KCC), and further advised that Officers were involved in lobbying Government to make green grants more accessible and easier to use, and the best ways to engage everyone.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That it be recommended to Cabinet to endorse the Kent and Medway Energy and Low Emissions Strategy.

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