

# Performance Monitoring Report

## Environment Committee

<b>DATE OF MEETING</b>	3 December 2020
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<b>Members:</b> Haydn Sutton ( <i>further member to be appointed on 3 Dec</i> ) <b>Officers:</b> Brendan Cleere

<b>PERFORMANCE UPDATE</b> ( <i>please give a brief progress update on the following areas</i> )	
<b>CDP PRIORITIES</b> (see <i>Excelsis</i> )	<p><b>CDP3.11 Implement the revised Environment Strategy and develop an action plan with partners to incorporate our commitment to being a Carbon Neutral district by 2030 (CN2030).</b> The 2030 Strategy is in draft. Public consultation and council committee reviews are scheduled over autumn/winter leading to Full Council on the 25th February where it will be proposed for adoption.</p>
	<p><b>CDP3.12 Work with partners to implement the next phase of the cycling and walking strategy, focussing on routes between Dudbridge-Nailsworth; Dursley–Cam-Uley; Wotton-Kingswood-Charfield.</b>  <b>Dudbridge-Nailsworth:</b> Resurfacing of the track is now complete.  <b>Dursley-Cam-Uley:</b> SDC has earmarked £50k to carry out works on a section of footpath. CDU14 to make it suitable for cycling and re-designate it as a bridleway. The local cycling group have started a public consultation on this proposal, after which we will work with GCC to implement the proposal. Negotiations are ongoing to finalise the northern section of the route through the North East Cam development following a proposal from the developer. A finalised design for the route between Dursley and Uley also needs to be established.  <b>Wotton-Kingswood-Charfield:</b> Sustrans have commenced the design phase for this project. SDC is contributing £10k for this piece of work.  <b>Stroud-Chalford:</b> No further spending following a £600 contribution towards creating promotional material for the route to present to the public. We will continue to engage with the group leading the project and potentially make contributions to additional work as the project progresses.</p>
	<p><b>CDP3.13 In our role as statutory waste collection authority, support community groups to phase out single use plastics; whilst also reducing its use across council services</b> SDC have asked Stroud District Action on Plastic (SDAP) to contribute to a Christmas message that will be promoted to residents alongside collection alterations over the festive period. This will go in newspapers and be distributed via social media. Drafts are being produced at present.</p>

	<p><b>CDP3.14 In partnership with Stroud Town Council and Friends of the Lido submit a bid to National Lottery Heritage Fund for additional funding to refurbish Stratford Park Lido.</b></p> <p>The project has been delayed as stated in Q1. There is a meeting arranged with the Friends of the Lido and the Strategic Director of Communities.</p>
<p><b>PROJECTS / CAPITAL PROGRAMME (if not covered in CDP)</b></p>	<p><b>Establish a working group and governance structure for the development of work plans to deliver the 2030 Carbon Neutral commitment.</b></p> <p>Integral to the Environment Strategy being finalised under CDP3.11 is a strategy for consultation and ongoing governance with the community. This will be finalised on the basis of both internal and external consultation processes that are currently under way. In the meantime, the internal steering group is established and the network of neighbourhood climate action groups continues to grow.</p> <p><b>Deliver and secure the long term sustainability of the rural SuDS project in partnership with the EA, working closely with land owners and communities using innovative land and flood management techniques.</b></p> <p>This quarter is when most external contracting works can be undertaken due to weather conditions being optimal. This has enabled the project to get back on track following the delay due to Covid lockdown. A planned volunteer tree planting day has had to be postponed due to lockdown two. Application to the Environment Agency has been submitted for funding to enable the project to continue for the next 6 years. Outcome will be known in the new year. The project is currently funded to March 2021. Following the identification of the project as an exemplar in the recent Environment Agency document "National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy for England" the project officer has been invited to present at a Westminster forum conference in December.</p> <p><b>Manage the delivery of the 'Warm Homes Fund' project</b></p> <p>A further 3 installs were completed in Q2 with delays due to Covid restrictions and the generally vulnerable nature of the clients. The project deadline date has been extended with the funders to the end of May 2021 to compensate. Additional funding from Central Government through the Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery Scheme has been obtained to provide the top up funding required for renewable heating systems in off gas areas. The full Warm &amp; Well Quarter 2 report can be found on the SDC website.</p>

<p><b>Update on</b>  <a href="#">Report to S&amp;R Committee – 3 October 2019</a></p>	<p><b>USE OF LAND AT SALMON SPRINGS, STROUD FOR THE PLANTING OF WOODLAND AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A LOCAL CARBON OFFSETTING SCHEME.</b></p> <p>The Council is working in partnership with the Stroud Valleys Project charity to transform this 5 acre council owned site into woodland, from its current agricultural grazing use.</p> <p>An ecological management and maintenance plan is being drawn up and Stroud Valleys Project will start to plant the site during the current tree planting season (winter 2020/21). This work builds on the Council's existing partnership with Stroud Valleys Project, where for example many trees have been planted at Stratford Park, providing valuable opportunities for community involvement and volunteering.</p> <p>The Committee also resolved to identify other areas of land in Council ownership to provide for climate change mitigation and adaptation schemes and to bring forward proposals for a locally based offset fund to provide further opportunities. These matters are being discussed with the Gloucestershire Nature Partnership as part of plans to implement the recently approved Tree Strategy for Gloucestershire. A further report on this will come to Environment Committee in Spring 2021.</p>
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<p><b>PERFORMANCE MEASURES (see <i>Excelsis</i> where applicable)</b></p>	<p>See charts at the end of the report for more detail. To view in Excelsis select Indicators; Board Report; Environment Committee; Monthly Charts; Generate Report.</p>
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Indicator	Target	Q1	Q2	
Percentage of MAJOR planning applications determined within 13 weeks. This also takes into account Planning Performance Agreements which allow for longer than 13 weeks but will be counted positively.	100	88	100	
Percentage of MINOR applications determined within 8 weeks.	94	96	95	
Percentage of 'other' applications determined within 8 weeks	97	97	98	
Residual household waste per household. (kgs)	63	77	75	*
Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting	60	60.5	60.9	

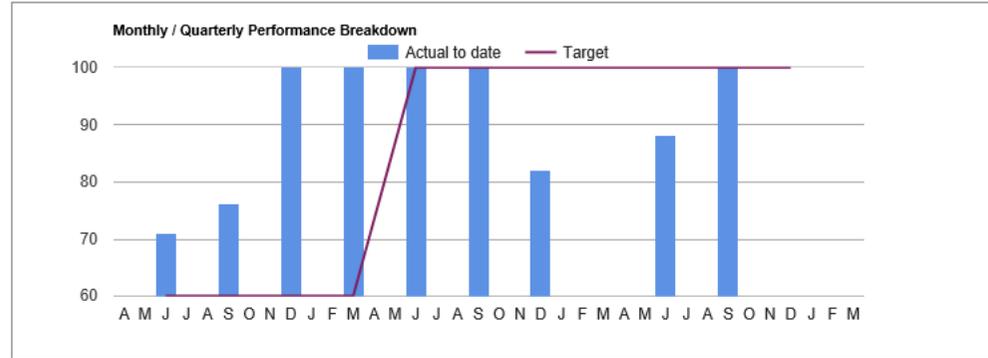
\*This increase is associated with lockdown. As a consequence of the increase in homeworking a lot more waste is entering the residential stream, rather than being picked up by commercial contracts. Clearly the amount of recycling is also increasing and has a balancing impact on the recycling figures.

<p><b>RISKS (see <i>Excelsis</i>)</b></p>	<p><b>CCR9 WASTE MANAGEMENT: Cost of providing waste and recycling services to the district currently constitutes around a third of the organisation's budget. As such any budgetary implication is of significant consequence to the MTFP.</b></p> <p><b>Risk Score - 6</b></p> <p>This risk remains unchanged. Legislative detail is still outstanding. Ubico have submitted a proposed budget for 2021 and this is being reviewed prior to agreement. Covid is having an impact on waste - residual levels have increased which will reduce the expected income from the new Residual Waste Incentive agreement between SDC and GCC. However, we expect this to be balanced against increased recycling credits; in line with increased recycling tonnages.</p>
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<b>RELEVANT FINANCE ISSUES</b>	See - Budget Monitoring Report 2020/21 Q2
<b>FOLLOW UP (any issues for consideration at the next meeting)</b>	None at the time of writing
<b>ANY ISSUES OF SIGNIFICANT CONCERN TO BE REPORTED TO AUDIT AND STANDARDS</b>	
None	
<b>ANY ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE</b>	
None	
<b>REPORT SUBMITTED BY</b>	Brendan Cleere (with input from relevant lead officers)
<b>DATE OF REPORT</b>	25 November 2020

(i) Percentage of MAJOR planning applications determined within 13 weeks. This also takes into account Planning Performance Agreements which allow for longer than 13 weeks but will be counted positively. (NI157a)

Current Performance: 



Actual to date	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018/19			71%			76%			100%
2019/20			100%			100%			82%
2020/21			88%			100%			

(ii) Percentage of MINOR applications determined within 8 weeks. (NI157b)

Current Performance: 



Actual	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
2018/19			92			85		
2019/20			84			89		
2020/21			96			95		

(iii) Percentage of 'other' applications determined within 8 weeks (NI157c)

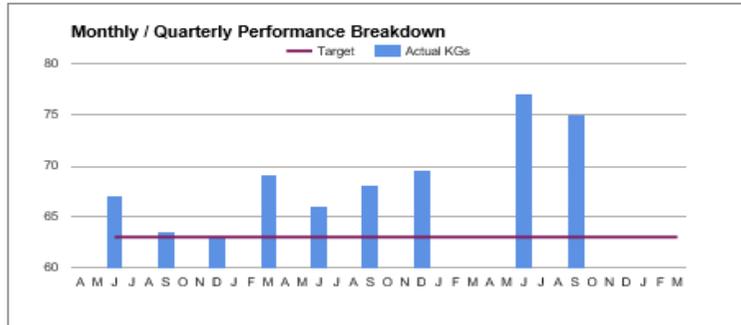
Current Performance: 



Actual	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
2018/19			95%			88%		
2019/20			92%			88%		
2020/21			97%			98%		

(iv) Residual household waste per household. (NI191)

Current Performance: ↓



Actual KGs	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
2018/19			67			64			63			69
2019/20			66			68			70			
2020/21			77			75						

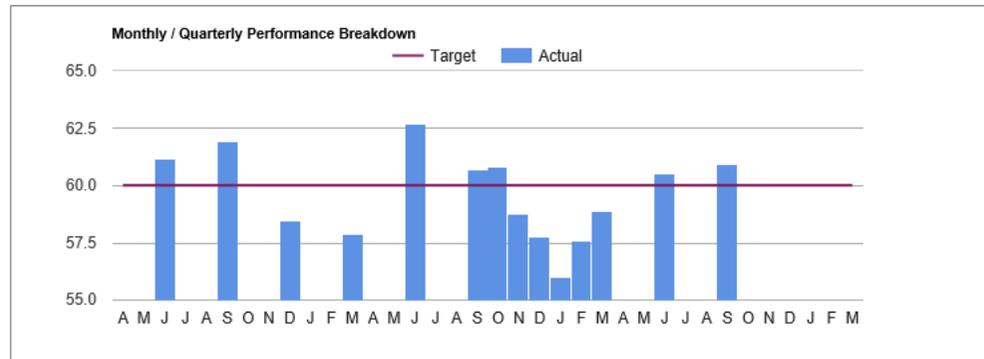
Current Performance: ↑



Actual KGs	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
2018/19			67			131			194			263
2019/20			66			134			204			
2020/21			77			152						

(v) Percentage of household waste sent for reuse, recycling and composting (NI192)

Current Performance: ↑



Actual	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2018/19			61.13%			61.91%			
2019/20			62.7%			60.7%	60.82%	58.76%	
2020/21			60.5%			60.9%			