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Report by: Building and Contracts Manager

Other Officers

involved:

Climate Change Group

Director Director of Neighbourhoods

Relevant Councillor D. Kelly, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Climate

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RELEVANT CORPORATE AIMS

ENVIRONMENT – Promoting and enhancing a clean and sustainable environment REGENERATION – Developing healthy, prosperous and sustainable communities STRATEGIC ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT – Continually improving our organisation.

A corporate approach to energy management requires challenges to the current ways that assets are managed by the Council.

TARGETS

- Eb1 By 2011 reduce fuel consumption of the Council's vehicle fleet by 10% from 2009
- Eb3 Reduce CO² emissions from our Council buildings and transport used to deliver our services by 3 % year on year
- Eb4 Contribute to the reduction of the per capita CO² emissions across Derbyshire by 3% year on year
- Eb5 Implement action plan on Adapting to Climate Change to Level 1 by March 2010 and to Level 2 by March 2011
- Eb6 Work towards the public sector 10:10 campaign to cut CO² emissions by 10% in 2010
- NI 185 reduce emissions from LA operation by 3.02% per year to 2011 (9.06%) from 2005 levels
- LAA NI 186 reduce per capita emissions in the LA area by 3.02% per year to 2011 (9.06%) from 2005 levels
- NI 187 Reduce Fuel Poverty

LAA – NI 188 – Planning to adapt to climate change by reaching level 3 of a self assessment criteria by 2011

VALUE FOR MONEY

Adopting the principles of the policy will contribute to reducing energy consumption, costs and carbon emissions. Some of the proposals contained in this policy include partnership working at various levels to enable greater value for money through the pooling of resources and expertise to deliver beneficial outcomes in responding to the challenges of climate change

THE REPORT

It is now generally acknowledged that climate change represents one of the greatest threats facing mankind, with impacts at the global and local level. The potential seriousness of this threat is emphasised by the number of key targets that the Council has previously committed to (targets summarised above). The task facing not only the Council but the communities of Bolsover district is immense if irreversible damage to our current way of life is to be avoided.

As a step towards consolidating the Council's approach to this challenge an Energy Management Policy has been prepared outlining the various issues and impacts of climate change and proposing how the Council will respond.

A copy of the Policy is appended for Member's consideration.

IMPLICATIONS

Financial : None Legal : None

Human Resources: None

RECOMMENDATION

That the Energy Management Policy is considered and if appropriate is recommended to Executive for approval.

ATTACHMENT: Y

FILE REFERENCE: Building and Contracts Managers File

SOURCE DOCUMENT: Various published documents on climate change