**Current Suggestions for Longlist of Scrutiny-Commissioned Reports for Consideration by the Climate and Environment Panel 2023/24**

Decarbonisation – Buildings

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Retrofit |
| 2 | Technical advice note on heritage decarbonisation |
| 3 | Building decarbonisation |
| 3 | Decarbonisation in conservation areas: conservation vs environmental aspects (solar installation, heat pumps etc.) |
| 5 | EPC ratings of Council commercial properties |
| 6 | Energy efficiency standards of HMOs |
| 6 | Environmental impacts of building sites and processes |
| 8 | Variation within interpretation of national planning policies and issues across other local authorities (e.g. HMOs and energy efficiency) |
| 9 | Lessons learned from Wolfson College decarbonisation project |

Decarbonisation – Services

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Further leisure centre decarbonisation |
| 2 | Waste management (food waste, sending waste overseas, legislative changes in terms of what councils can do) |
| 3 | Review of core Council service areas to understand gaps in existing practices/activity and influence policy |

Energy Generation

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Solar potential on Council buildings |
| 1 | Community level heating (including evaluation of Rose Hill pilot) |
| 3 | Supporting communities to achieve community solar |
| 4 | Council assets (inc land) – energy generation (environmental vs other opportunities) |

Nature and Biodiversity

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Tree planting |
| 2 | Incentivising biodiversity in the rented sector and environmental aspects of housing |

Strategies and Policies

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Council policies – strategic look from a climate/environment perspective – ensuring they are up to date/relevant, but also that they are being delivered |
| 1 | Council climate/environment policies, projects and actions – strategic look at embeddedness across the Council and identification of any possible gaps |
| 3 | Development of next waste strategy |
| 4 | City and Council Net Zero definitions e.g. how net zero definitions are applied to new build vs existing buildings (Local Plan) |
| 4 | Carbon Management Plan/shadow carbon price |
| 6 | 31 climate actions for councils (where City Council has responsibility) |
| 6 | Environment and sustainability at the city level – frameworks and leading thinking |
| 8 | Carbon Disclosure Project – how does Oxford compare to other areas |
| 9 | Lessons learned from other local authorities across England and Wales |

Pollution (including light, noise, air)

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Air pollution – controlled burning zones, correct fuel for burning, traders using diesel |
| 2 | Noise pollution from roads (particularly the ring road) |

Transport

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Progress on EV charging in car parks; electric car sharing and car clubs |
| 2 | Active travel and its impact on reducing emissions |
| 3 | Public transport, bus shelters, passenger experience etc |
| 4 | Car parks and solar canopy |
| 4 | LTNs |

Other

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| **TOPIC Priority** | **Item** |
| 1 | Council engagement with communities and community groups to enact the behaviour change needed to address climate change |
| 2 | Markets and use of single use plastics by market vendors |
| 3 | Donut economics – incentivising/penalising Council teams for meeting/not meeting targets. Theoretical frameworks being adopted by other areas |
| 4 | Keeping up to date with best practice elsewhere |

Regular/Standard Items

* Net Zero Masterplan – with a focus on actions rated as high and/or have been in the pipeline for a couple of years and ensuring these are on track/progressed
* Annual Air Quality Status Report – with a focus on whether the Council could/should go further in terms of NO2 target
* Climate Emergency Review Group Update / Zero Carbon Action Plan
* Waterways Update
* Biodiversity Strategy / Action Plan
* Environment Act (secondary legislation) reporting – if/when enacted (which may be aligned with Biodiversity Strategy / Action Plan reporting)
* Citizens Assembly on Climate Change – update on current position and has the thinking/science changed since then