

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

Decarbonisation – Buildings

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
1	Tree planting
2	Incentivising biodiversity in the rented sector and environmental aspects of housing

## Strategies and Policies

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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)

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

## Transport

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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

<b>TOPIC Priority</b>	<b>Item</b>
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

This page is intentionally left blank