

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
7 SEPTEMBER 2016
DISCUSSION WITH PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR ENERGY AND SUSTAINABILITY
REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR RESILIENCE

1 Purpose

- 1.1 An opportunity to hear from the Portfolio Holder for Energy and Sustainability on his key priorities, objectives in 2016/17 and current challenges.

2 Action required

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to use the information received at the meeting from Councillor Alan Clark, Portfolio Holder for Energy and Sustainability, to inform questioning.

3 Background information

- 3.1 On 9 November 2015, the Council Plan was formally approved by Full Council and this will guide the Council's services and approach to support the delivery of its key priorities for the city over the next four years to 2019.
- 3.2 Each Portfolio Holder has been consulted on the deliverables in their area and the Portfolio Holder for Energy and Sustainability will attend the Committee to outline his overall vision for his executive portfolio.
- 3.3 In the Council Plan 2015-19, Councillor Alan Clark identified the following:

Aims over the next 4 years

- Bring low cost energy to all through the creation of the Council's own not-for-profit energy company;
- Use smart metering and remote control technology to help keep energy bills down;
- Make the Council the most customer friendly in the county with even more ways to interact with the Council than ever before.

Key things that we will do

- Tackle fuel poverty by setting up a not-for-profit energy company to sell energy at the lowest price to Nottingham people;

- Increase the number of households switching energy suppliers;
 - Increase the number of people using Council services online and ensure that more services can be accessed through self-service.
- 3.4 Since 2011, the Energy and Sustainability portfolio has achieved the following:
- 3,000 solar panels installed
 - Over 20,000 Council houses received energy efficiency interventions as part of Decent Homes Scheme
 - Most energy self-sufficient city in the UK
 - 21% reduction in carbon emissions since 2005
 - Largest District Heating system in the UK now making a profit, ensuring a sustainable alternative for delivering energy to citizens

4 List of attached information

- 4.1 Energy and Sustainability – Council Plan 2015-2019

5 Background papers, other than published works or those disclosing exempt or confidential information

- 5.1 None.

6 Published documents referred to in compiling this report

- 6.1 None.

7 Wards affected

- 7.1 All.

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