

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

**DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: Cllr Grey**

**KEY DECISION: No**

**PORTFOLIO AREA: Environment & Climate Change**

**PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: None**

**WARDS AFFECTED: All**

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**SUBJECT: CLIMATE CHANGE ANNUAL REPORT AND ACTION PLAN  
2018**

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### **1. RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The Cabinet Member is requested to endorse the 'Cool Steps' annual progress report 2018 (Appendix 1 to the submitted report) and the Climate Change Strategy - Priority Action Plan (Appendix 2 to the submitted report) to meet the Council's Climate Local commitment.

### **2. REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Wirral Council is a signatory to 'Climate Local' and is duly committed to identify actions on climate change and the public reporting with respect to these. The Cool Steps Annual Progress Report provides a key function in demonstrating the Council's commitment and reporting publically on progress with set actions.


Wirral Council is publicly committed to setting out actions on climate change and to regularly review and report progress against them. The Council is a signatory to the Local Government Associations 'Climate Local' initiative. It has also pledged its support for the UN's Paris Agreement on climate change. In order to honour its commitment, the Council supported the creation of a climate change strategy for Wirral. This was developed through a process of wider consultation and public engagement overseen via the Wirral Climate Change Group (now Cool Wirral Partnership). The five year strategy, *Cool Wirral* (2014-2019), was subsequently endorsed by the Council in October 2014. The Council continues to support the Cool Wirral Partnership to co-ordinate local action in support of the strategy and reports publically annually on progress against such actions.

### 3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

*The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Deputy Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer has confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.*

### 4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There are no conflicts of interest.

<b>Signed:</b>  <b>Executive Member: Cllr Grey</b> <b>Date:</b> 7/6/19 <b>Also present:</b>  M J Cookburn 7-6-19	<b>Signed:</b>  <b>Chief Officer: Nikki Butterworth</b> <b>Date:</b> 10/6/19
<b>Date of Senior Policy Team Meeting(s):</b>	

**A list of background papers on this issue is held with:**

Contact Officer: Bryan Lipscombe  
Date: ... June 2019

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**Date of Expiry of Call-In Period:**

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