



COUNCIL

11th July 2022

REPORT TITLE:	WIRRAL PLAN UPDATE
REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE

REPORT SUMMARY

This report provides an update on the Wirral Plan 2021-26 following its consideration at Policy and Resources Committee on 27th June 2022.

Following feedback at the Committee, and officer clarification, the Wirral Plan (attached at Appendix 1) has been amended as detailed in Section 3 of the report.

RECOMMENDATION

Council is recommended to approve the recommendation from Policy and Resources Committee as detailed in the minute extract (Appendix 1).

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1.1 The Wirral Plan sets out the Council's ambition and priorities for Wirral. As a key document in the Council's policy framework, there is a need for the Wirral Plan to be monitored and reviewed to ensure its vision and priorities remain appropriate for the borough. The Plan reflects what people have told us is important to them and will be used to help staff understand their role in helping to deliver our corporate priorities.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 Other options were outlined in the report to Policy and Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Following comments from Policy and Resources Committee during the consideration of the Wirral Plan Update at its meeting on 27 June 2022, a number of amendments to the Plan have been incorporated as detailed below.

- 3.2 Page 8 Sustainable Environment:

Working towards a clean energy, for a sustainable borough that leads the way in its response to the declared environment and climate emergency and is environmentally friendly

Our Key Achievements:

- Wirral's climate partnership, Cool Wirral, has set a target for Wirral to be net carbon zero by 2041 and is working towards this through the Cool2 Wirral Climate Change Strategy.
- The Council declared an environment and climate emergency in 2019 and its response has committed the Council to being net carbon neutral by 2030.

Launched the new Wirral Tree, Woodland and Hedgerow Strategy and planting programme.

To achieve a clean, sustainable borough for all, we aim to:

- Respond to the environment and climate change emergency
- Continuing to improve street cleansing

To do this, we will deliver:

- The Environment and Climate Emergency Action Plan and the Cool2 Wirral Climate Change Strategy
- The Tree Woodland and Hedgerow Strategy

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

6.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

7.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 As detailed in the report to Policy & Resources Committee (Appendix 2).

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APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Minute Extract Item 21 Policy & Resources Committee, 27/06/22
Appendix 2 – Wirral Plan Update Report to Policy & Resources Committee, 27/06/22
Appendix 3 – Updated Wirral Plan
Appendix 4 – Wirral Plan Performance Update

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Council Constitution
Corporate Risk Register

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Council	6th September 2021
Policy & Resources Committee	28th July 2021
Policy & Resources Committee	27th June 2022