

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE ACTION SCRUTINY PANEL HELD ON TUESDAY, 13TH JULY, 2021

MEMBERS: Councillors Mahmut Aksanoglu, Daniel Anderson, Elif Erbil, Susan Erbil, Ayten Guzel, Lindsay Rawlings and Andrew Thorp

Officers: Susan O'Connell (Governance & Scrutiny Officer)

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Ahmet Hasan.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 March 2021 were agreed.

4. INTRODUCTIONS - PURPOSE OF MEETING

The Chair explained the purpose of the meeting was to discuss and decide on the Panel's work programme for the 2021/22 year.

5. LOCAL PRIORITIES FOR 2021/22

Councillor Rick Jewell explained to the Panel his priorities as the Cabinet Member for Environment for the 2021/22 year, as set out below:

- **Public realm and street scene**
 - Looking at the impacts of increased numbers of people working from home
 - Missed bin collections, and improving the collection rate
 - Fly tipping
 - Waste enforcement
- **Recycling**
 - Better communications to residents
 - Engagement events
 - Door knocking exercises
 - Education via school education
 - Recycling facilities in estates and flats.
- **Fleet**

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- Ongoing programme to move more of the fleet to electronic vehicles
- **Parks and open spaces**
 - To be maintained to the highest standard
- **Food risk management**

6. PLANNING THE WORK PROGRAMME 2021/22

Following discussion, it was agreed that an additional date for the Panel would be requested for January 2021. The Panel agreed the below topics would be submitted to Overview and Scrutiny Committee for approval:

ITEM	12 October 2021	9 December 2021	January 2021 (date tbc)	8 February 2021
Meridian Water Environment Strategy	X			
Review of the wetland and proposed actions (review of the wetland and tree planting work)	X			
School Streets Progress and Quieter Neighbourhoods update		X		
Update on the highway's capital programme and how effective the programme has been		X		
Recycling Performance and Fly-tipping issues – Proposed actions and pilots - how we have progress?				X
The Green and Blue Infrastructure Strategy – Update on the activity to support				X
Air Quality Data Workshop			X	
Review of Council Owned Buildings Energy Consumption			X	

All the Panel agreed it was important to focus on conducting proper scrutiny and felt it was important for officer input and reports for the above items.

7. TERMS OF REFERENCE

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The Panel noted its terms of reference as set out in the agenda pack.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The meeting ended at Time Not Specified.