

Cabinet

Decision list

Leader's Urgent Decision

The call-in has expired and the decision can now be implemented.

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1. **TITLE:** Leader's Urgent Decision - Hammersmith & Fulham's response to the climate emergency

2. **DECISION MADE BY:** Leader of the Council

3. **DECISION:**

1. That the council adopt a target to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions to zero by 2030 and undertakes a full carbon audit to inform our activities and strategy.
2. That the council establish a dedicated corporate Climate Change Unit tasked with developing and enacting policies to achieve this target including undertaking a full carbon audit.
3. That the council launch an independent commission on climate change, drawing on local and expert knowledge to develop boroughwide action to reduce net carbon emissions.
4. Following this that the council develop a 'zero carbon strategy' outlining its route to net zero emissions by 2030.

4. **REASON FOR URGENCY:**

H&F recognises the current trends in global heating as a 'climate emergency'. The proposed recommendations allow the council to pursue a course to mitigate the causes and effects of this crisis with the requisite pace and vigour.

5. **ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED:**

A 'do nothing' option is not considered viable given the nature of the climate emergency. Insufficient coordinated action to date at national and local levels has seen per capita carbon emissions in the UK gradually decrease in recent years, but at a rate that, if continued, would fall far short of H&F's 2030 net zero target and the level needed to avoid catastrophic climate change.

6. **CONFLICTS OF INTEREST DECLARED AND DISPENSATIONS GRANTED:**

None

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14 August 2019

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