

LONDON BOROUGH OF HAMMERSMITH & FULHAM

Report to: Climate Change and Ecology Policy and Accountability Committee

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Subject: Climate Education in Hammersmith and Fulham 2023

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SUMMARY

These are incredibly challenging times for our climate and ecology, yet they also present a great opportunity for schools and young people to engage with a climate education curriculum.

In the government document “Sustainability and Climate Change – a strategy for the education and children’s systems,” the government set out their vision for all children to be taught about the importance of conserving and protecting the planet. The document emphasises that all teachers will be supported to deliver a world-leading climate change education through a model science curriculum, which will be in place by 2025, to teach children about nature and their impact on the world around them.

In offering access to climate education within LBHF schools the council also offer, with key partners, the chance for children & young people to champion a variety of related initiatives.

The attached presentation showcases the current and future work taking place in Hammersmith and Fulham schools to support and promote climate education within the borough.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. For the Committee to note and comment on the attached presentation.

Wards Affected: All

Our Values	Summary of how this report aligns to the H&F Values
Building shared prosperity	Promoting initiatives on green skills with school stakeholders.

Creating a compassionate council	Developing active citizenship with young people. Creating a community of environmentally aware residents to support the council's ambition for well-being and carbon reduction targets.
Doing things with local residents, not to them	Inter-generational work and co-production of activities with stakeholders for youth and older residents.
Being ruthlessly financially efficient	Funding secured for the Pier for 2 years. Planning for income generation prioritised by the steering group.
Taking pride in H&F	Bespoke climate education programme co-produced with schools.
Rising to the challenge of the climate and ecological emergency	Delivery of climate education networks to inform school partners on initiatives to reduce carbon reduction and promote sustainability.

Background Papers Used in Preparing This Report

Government document: [Sustainability and climate change: a strategy for the education and children's services systems - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/100000/sustainability_and_climate_change_a_strategy_for_the_education_and_childrens_services_systems.pdf)

DETAILED ANALYSIS

1. To note and comment on the work taking place in the Hammersmith and Fulham to engage with school partners on climate-related initiatives.

LIST OF APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Presentation on Climate Education 2023.