

Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee draft work programme

25 September 2023 report deadline 15 September 23

Topic and Objectives	Evidence required	Attendees*
<p>River water pollution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the factors contributing to the pollution of rivers and watercourse. - Examine the council’s duties and powers to address river pollution. - Scrutinise how the council fulfils its duties and exercises its powers. - Identify key partners and their roles and responsibilities 	<p>Map of rivers and watercourses in Herefordshire</p> <p>Appraisal of nature and extent of pollution in rivers and watercourses</p> <p>Outline of council powers and duties</p> <p>RePhokus report on River Wye</p> <p>Cabinet commission on phosphates reporting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Director, Economy and Growth • Service Director, Environment and Highways • Head of Environment Climate Emergency and Waste Services • Wye and Usk Foundation • Farm Herefordshire

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<p>Implementing the Environment Act 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the targets, duties and powers conferred to the council and its partners by the Environment Act 2021. - Scrutinise how Herefordshire Council is implementing the duties of the act - Further scrutinise partnership working relating to the act. 	<p>LGA briefing – Environment Act 2021</p> <p>Analysis of consequences for the council in implementing the Act.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Environment Climate Emergency and Waste Services • Sustainability and Climate Change Manager

22 January 2024 report deadline 12 January 2024

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<p>Meeting net zero-carbon in Herefordshire</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appraise current carbon emissions in Herefordshire and the work required to achieve the goal of net-zero carbon by 2030. - Scrutinise how the council contributes to the work of the Herefordshire Climate and Nature Partnership Board - Assess the partnership's achievement to date 	<p>Herefordshire Climate and Nature Partnership Board Terms of Reference Herefordshire Council net zero strategy and delivery plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Environment Climate Emergency and Waste Services • Sustainability and Climate Change Manager
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25 March 2024 report deadline **15 March 2024**

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<p>Nutrient Management Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scrutinise the effectiveness and achievements of the Nutrient Management Board, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o governance arrangements o terms of reference o agreed objectives and o its role as river champion o agreed targets and key performance indicators 	<p>Nutrient Management Board terms of reference Minutes from previous meetings Board action plan</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair of Nutrient Management Board • Other members of the board

*The Corporate Director, Economy and Environment, and Portfolio Holder, Environment, both have a standing invitation to the meeting. It is assumed that the portfolio holder will attend each meeting.