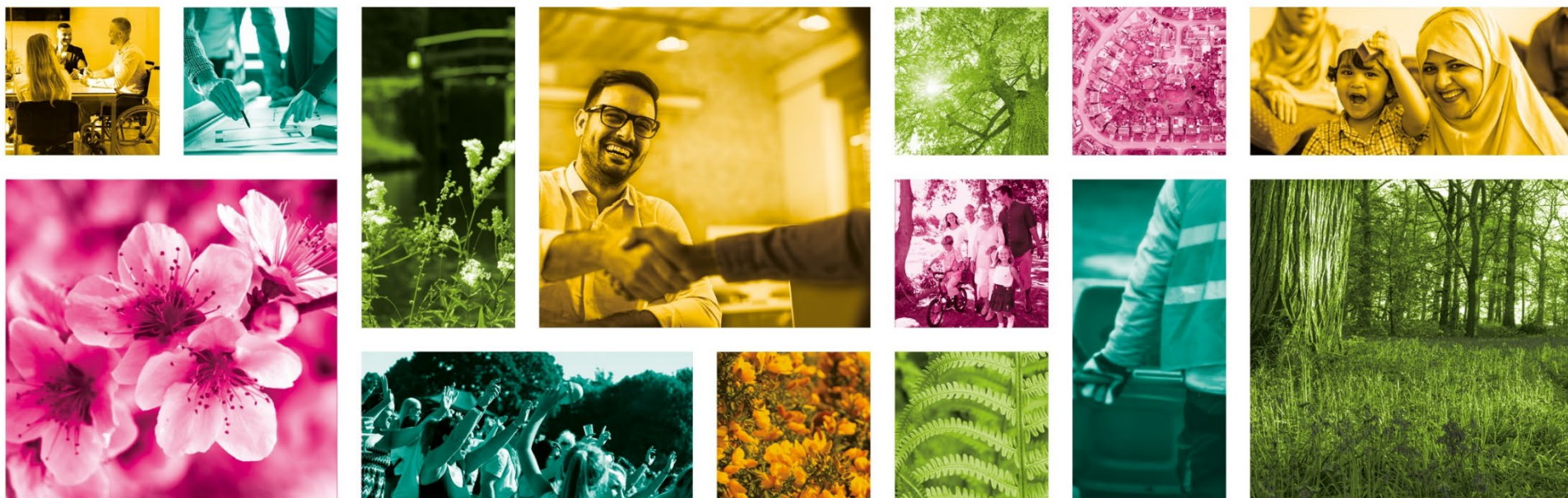


CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN – COMPLETED ACTIONS



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Council Operations – Energy Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Action completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C1	Develop and implement an Energy Strategy for the Council to deliver Energy actions, working with partners including the Surrey Energy Partnership and Surrey Climate Commission.	Energy Strategy published in 2023.	2023	The Energy Strategy passed Executive in September 2023.
C2	Become members of APSE Energy	Membership Obtained.	2020	Membership obtained summer 2022.
C3	Change electricity supply to a 100% green energy tariff for Council owned and operated buildings. Consider options for offsetting gas usage in Council owned and operated buildings.	All operational council buildings on a green electricity tariff.	2025	Council electricity is now from renewable generation through the purchase of REGOs in October 2023.



Wider Borough – Energy Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C4	Investigate the potential to survey energy uses and consumption patterns across the Borough.	Understand resident energy use in the borough.	Ongoing, deadline 2030	Data released as part of UK census data used to understand energy usage of residents in the Borough.



Council Operations – Transport Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C5	Continue to implement and develop agile working practices to reduce employee journeys and business miles. Encourage greener community and active travel for necessary journeys.	Agile working policy introduced.	Ongoing	Agile working policy created in 2021.
C6	Identify incentives that could be used to encourage sustainable modes of transport for staff, including investigating the potential for an employee car club.	# of staff using sustainable modes of transport to commute to work.	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Car club -Staff can log a ticket through ICT to add their name to a Car Share sheet. • EV Salary Sacrifice Scheme - This scheme is available to staff and there were webinars in August and September for staff. First staff member joined the scheme in January 2024.



Council Operations – Environment Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C7	Continue to minimise the use of herbicides and pesticides where possible and appropriate.	% reduction of herbicide and pesticide use.	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our greenspace operation uses around 2 litres of glyphosate for clearing invasive growth in protected areas and treating weeds on hardstanding e.g. tennis courts. We have significantly reduced the amount of pesticides that we use. We are using natural methods wherever possible e.g. hand-pulling and burning. • Kerb weed control has now been handed back to Surrey CC.
C8	Continue to encourage reduced mowing where appropriate to allow wildflower planting and growth. Review machinery used to undertake works, including increasing the use of low carbon equipment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • no. m² wildflower planting. • % m² reduction in mowing. 	2023	Grass cutting has been handed back to Surrey CC in January 2023. We will use long grass regimes, areas of wildflowers, and natural habitats in our parks where possible.



C9	Review potential to undertake a tree density assessment of the Borough, giving a clear understanding of tree cover in the borough.	Feasibility study complete.	2023	In February 2023, Friends of the Earth, in partnership with Terra Sulis, have completed the most accurate mapping of tree cover in England. This showed that Surrey Heath was the greenest local authority in the country, with a tree cover of 36.1%. This compares against a tree cover of 12.8% for the whole of England.
C10	Assess the viability of 'greening' council buildings, such as integrating green roofs and green walls into the fabric of buildings.	Costed proposals developed.	2025	Greening of buildings is typically very difficult to retrofit and is more suited to new build projects. If the council decides to construct any new buildings, then greening measures will be considered.



C11	Assess the viability of opportunities to reuse water in council buildings, such as incorporating rainwater harvesting into council buildings.	Costed proposals developed.	2025	Grey water reuse retrofitting of buildings is typically very difficult to retrofit and is more suited to new build projects. If the council decides to construct any new buildings, then greening measures will be considered.
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Wider Borough – Environmental Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C12	Work with partners to facilitate a tree planting strategy (specific to climate change), taking account of the Borough's biodiversity assets.	Tree strategy produced.	2023	Tree Strategy was signed off at March '23 Executive.



Wider Borough – Behaviour Change Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C13	Facilitate local events promoting sustainable practices, making best use of the Council's assets (e.g. using vacant units in the SQ etc).	# of events facilitated.	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surrey Heath BC organised a Cost-of-Living Event in The Square in October 2023. • Council has helped to curate a climate change exhibition with the museum. • Surrey Heath BC presented at a Surrey Chambers of Commerce business event on sustainable business in June 2023.
C14	Investigate the potential for a local award for businesses that demonstrate excellence in reducing carbon emissions or achieve net zero.	Assess the case for creating or sponsoring a local business award.	2024	We have investigated the potential for an individual award, and it was decided to instead promote various regional and national business award programmes to Surrey Heath businesses which is better value for money. Assessment complete in late 2023.



<p>C15</p>	<p>Review the implications of moving towards a low carbon economy on Surrey Heath’s jobs and skills markets.</p>	<p>Assessment of impact of moving toward a low carbon economy completed.</p>	<p>2023</p>	<p>New Economic Development Strategy now in delivery phase, as of summer 2023. The theme of Net Zero is discussed within the strategy and key actions presented. The team are implementing programmes of activity that support businesses to achieve this. For example, business events to educate businesses locally, business support schemes to encourage net zero activity, signposting to regional / national support that businesses can take advantage of.</p>
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Council Operations – Monitoring Actions

ID	Action	Progress Indicator	Completion Deadline	Progress - Dec 23
C16	Create a monitoring framework for the Action Plan to monitor progress.	Monitoring framework created.	2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A review of the CCAP was undertaken in Feb 2023 to ensure that it is still fit for purpose and that the council is on course to achieve net zero by 2030. A new monitoring framework to track actions was accepted by the Climate Change Working Group. • Annual reports are given to the Climate Change Working Group on progress in implementing the Climate Change Action Plan. Annual updates will also be shared with P&F each year.

