

Single Member Cabinet Decision

**Executive
Forward Plan
Reference****E3425****Adoption of Waste Strategy – Towards Zero Waste 2030**

Decision maker/s	Cllr Tim Ball, Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services
The Issue	The adoption of the new Waste Strategy – Towards Zero Waste 2030, will build on the work of the previous strategy, focusing on managing our resources to reduce the impacts of climate change and outline our key drivers and priorities for the period up to 2030.
Decision Date	19th March 2024
The decision	The Cabinet Member agrees that the new Waste Strategy – Towards Zero Waste 2030 is adopted.
Rationale for decision	<p>The previous Waste Strategy covered the period from 2005 to 2020, a new waste strategy is required, reflecting that the UK is striving to achieve higher levels of recycling and a more circular economy and taking into consider new legislation and changing economics.</p> <p>Since the previous Strategy was produced the Council has announced its Climate Emergency declaration, and Towards Zero Waste - 2030 recognises the escalated priority of the climate and nature emergency.</p> <p>Future actions are structured around the waste hierarchy, which informs the thinking about how to prioritise our efforts when tackling waste, alongside this there are activities that focus on improving place.</p> <p>The themes in the future actions section provide the strategic framework up to 2030, these will be taken forward by the development of more detailed annual service plans that reflect local needs and the financial situation at the time.</p>
Financial and budget implications	Towards Zero Waste 2030 documents the themes and priority areas, with the financial impacts of introducing the detailed actions to support the strategy being considered as part of the annual service plan process
Issues considered	Customer Focus; Sustainability; Equality (age, race, disability, religion/belief, gender, sexual orientation); Corporate; Other Legal Considerations
Consultation undertaken	Cabinet colleagues; Parish Council; Town Council; Overview & Scrutiny Panel; Staff; Other B&NES Services; Service Users; Local Residents; Community Interest Groups; Section 151 Finance Officer; Chief Executive; Monitoring Officer
How consultation	Voicebox 28 contained specific waste & litter questions, the results of

<p>was carried out</p>	<p>which were considered as part of the development of the strategy.</p> <p>A six-week public consultation took place on-line in Spring 2020 on the Key Emerging Themes in the strategy and feedback has been built into the final version.</p> <p>A report was taken to the Climate Emergency and Sustainability Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel on the 16th of March 2020 where the Emerging Themes in the document were discussed in detail.</p> <p>The development of the strategy involved face to face engagement and reviews of the documentation, with waste services staff and key staff in other B&NES services.</p>
<p>Other options considered</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Declaration of interest by Cabinet Member(s) for decision:</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Any conflict of interest declared by anyone who is consulted by a Member taking the decision:</p>	<p>None</p>

<p>Name and Signature of Decision Maker/s</p>	<p>Councillor Tim Ball Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood Services Bath and North East Somerset Council</p>
<p>Date of Signature</p>	<p>19 March 2024</p>

Subject to Call-in until 5 Working days have elapsed following publication of the decision