

# Recommendations and updates from other committees to Cabinet 22 July 2022

## Joint Audit and Governance Committee

The committee met on 5 July to discuss:

- The **pensions policy** – the committee adopted an updated policy. There are no recommendations to Cabinet.
- **Monitoring reports** from **internal audit**, the **health and safety** adviser and the **risk management** officer. The committee noted the reports and made no recommendations to Cabinet.

## Scrutiny Committee

The committee met on 28 June to discuss:

- the **Active Communities Strategy**. The committee welcomed the strategy and provided comments to officers and Cabinet members.
- a report on how **public consultations** are run currently and the next steps suggested to enable a wider reach. The committee noted the report and provided comments to officers and Cabinet members.
- the **Q4 corporate plan performance report and the annual report 2021/22** were reviewed and comments given.
- a confidential paper on the outcome of the Covid-19 **leisure support package**, which was welcomed and noted.

In each case above the committee made no direct recommendations to Cabinet.

## Climate Emergency Advisory Committee

The committee met on 11 July to receive the updates on:

- the **work the new Cabinet member** for climate emergency had been involved in since May.
- **performance against the corporate plan climate targets** during quarter 4, 2021/22 and the annual report for that year.
- **changes to the climate team** and the next steps in the climate action plan.
- early stage development of **Tiny Forest** in the Vale—up to 600 mixed species trees on an area the size of a tennis court, to increase tree cover in urban and deprived areas.

The committee made no direct recommendations to Cabinet. However, the committee suggested future topics could include rewilding, a biodiversity bank, and further data on leisure centre decarbonisation.

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