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Ref No	Meeting Date	Recommendation / Action / Referral	Description	Progress Update	Member / Officer	Status
E&PP 01-19/20	17th May 2019	Recommendation	 6. REPORT ON PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER CONSULTATION 6.1 the duration of the Carmarthenshire County Council (Dog Control) Public Spaces Protection Order 2016 be extended for a further period of 3 years with effect from the 1st July 2019; 6.2 the Council makes an Extension Order to give effect to the above extension and endorses the 2016 Order with suitable wording to reflect the fact that the duration of the 2016 order has been extended. 	6.2 Due for completion 30th June 2019. New orders commence on 1st July 2019.	Ainsley Williams	Complete
E&PP 02-19/20	17th May 2019	Recommendation	6. REPORT ON PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER CONSULTATION The Chair and Vice Chair of the Scrutiny Committee to meet with the Environmental Enforcement Manager to discuss proposed future controls.	E&PP Scrutiny Committee, the Head of Waste and Environmental Services and Environmental Enforcement Manager has been arranged for 4th	Ainsley Williams	Complete
E&PP 03-19/20	17th May 2019	Recommendation	7. CORPORATE STRATEGY 2018-23 - DRAFT UPDATE JUNE 2019 Action 2 of Well-being Objective 8, - Air-quality, Members noted that the action did not appear to be ambitious in relation to the corporate ambition to develop a clear plan for a route towards being net zero carbon within 12 months, and to be a zero net carbon local authority by 2030. Members were critical of the lack of specific targets, and encouraged the alignment of targets. It was agreed that this should be fed back to the Executive Board following a meeting with the Head of Homes and Safer Communities. RESOLVED that following a meeting with the Head of Homes and Safer Communities, the Executive Board Member for Public Protection to feedback to the Executive Board in relation to greater ambition and alignment of environmental targets.	Meeting has taken place and agreed that new measures will be developed for air quality for 2020/21	Jonathan Morgan	Complete

E&PP 04-19/20	10th June 2019	Recommendation	5. ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION TASK & FINISH GROUP 2019/20 PLANNING AND SCOPING DOCUMENT The membership of the Task and Finish Group be as follows:- • Councillor Joseph Davies • Councillor Karen Davies • Councillor Karen Davies • Councillor Penny Edwards • Councillor Jeanette Gilasbey • Councillor John James • Councillor Dai Thomas	The Chair of the Task and Finish Group, Councillor John James, was decided at the group first meeting held on 12th July 2019. A project plan has also been agreed in that a number of meetings have been diarised with a view to provide a final report to E&PP Scrutiny Committee in April/May 2020.		Complete
E&PP 05-19/20	10th June 2019	Recommendation	UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO THE EXECUTIVE BOARD:- 4.2 that a representative from the Environmental and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee attend the Toilet Strategy Study Group.	The matter was discussed at the Executive Board meeting on the 29th July 2019 [Minute 19 refers] - 'The Executive Board noted the request from the Environmental and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee, that a representative from the committee should attend the Toilet Strategy Study Group. However the Board advised that the Study Group should remain an officer led group. Updates from the group should be presented to the Environmental and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee as required.'	Ainsley Williams	Complete
E&PP 06- 19/20	5th July 2019	Action	4. DRAFT - CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT 2018/19 In regard to Well Being Objective 12 [Healthy and Safe Environment] the Head of Transportation and Highways agreed to ascertain the reason why there had been a delay in sowing seeds and planting out flowers in some areas where beds had been prepared;	A check has bene undertaken with the respective service areas, for areas within the remit of County Council services , we have been unable to find any delay in the programme for planting.	Steve Pilliner	Complete
E&PP 07- 19/20	5th July 2019	Action	5. REVENUE & CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING REPORT Officers agreed to ascertain the current situation regarding the leases of the Livestock markets and the bad debt provision.	Information on the Council owned livestock markets was emailed to Committee Members on 5th July 2019. A further e-mail providing the current position regarding the lease of Nantyci Livestock Market was forwarded to Committee Members on 16th July 2019.	Jonathan Fearn	Complete

E&PP 08- 19/20	5th July 2019	Action	6. UPDATE ON PROGRESS IN DELIVERING CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S ENVIRONMENT ACT FORWARD PLAN • Concern was expressed that there was no reference in the Plan to the eradication of Japanese Knotweed. Members were advised that the Authority had a duty to treat Knotweed on its property but on private land it was the owner's responsibility The Head of Homes and Safer Communities agreed to ascertain from the Legal section as to whether the recent Network Rail case regarding Japanese Knotweed had any implications for the Authority.	Update as follows:- "The case re-affirms that once the required knowledge of Japanese knotweed is established on any land, the landowner has a duty to do all that was reasonable in the circumstances to prevent or minimise any damage and/or the interference with the adjoining landowners' use and enjoyment of their properties."	Jonathan Morgan/	Complete
E&PP 09- 19/20	5th July 2019	Recommendation	8. ACTIVE TRAVEL ACT UPDATE Unanimously resolved:- 8.2 that the Chair liaise with the Executive Board Member for Environment to compose a letter to the Deputy Minister for Economy and Transport along the lines referred to above. [minute 8 refers].	Letter from Councillor Hazel Evans and Councillor John James has been sent to Lee Waters AM 12th February 2020.	Cllr J. James; EBM Member for Environment; Steve Pilliner	Complete
E&PP 10- 19/20	30th September 2019	Recommendation	9. FORTHCOMING ITEMS Unanimously resolved:- 9.2 the Business and Consumer Affairs Annual Report should be circulated outside of the committee process;	Following the meeting the Chair considered the Draft Agenda for the next meeting scheduled to take place on 15th November 2019. The Chair requested that the Business and Consumer Affairs Annual Report remain on the agenda as the report may contain relevant information in relation to the current Task and Finish Review. In order to reduce the number of items on the agenda, the Chair requested for the Environmental Protection Annual Report 2018/19 & Service Delivery Plan for 2019/20 and the Budget Monitoring (for this meeting only) to be circulated to Committee Members via e-mail. Forward Work Program 2019/20 has been updated to reflect the above.	J. Owen	Complete

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E&PP 11- 19/20	30th September 2019	Recommendation	9. FORTHCOMING ITEMS Unanimously resolved:- 9.3 that an update on the Ash Dieback programme be circulated to Members outside of the committee process.	A verbal update was provided to the Committee during the Environment Act Forward Plan Agenda item at the meeting on 15th November 2019. At its meeting on 15th November 2019, the Committee resolved that a seminar on Ash Dieback disease be arranged.[see action number E&PP 13- 19/20].	Jonathan Fearn / Rosie Carmichael	Complete All-member seminar to be arranged (See Action E&PP 13-19/20)
E&PP 12- 19/20	15th November 2019	Recommendation	4. CLLR J. JAMES - SCRUTINY AGENDA ITEM REQUEST - DOG BREEDING IN CARMARTHENSHIRE Unanimously resolved:- 4.2 dog breeding in Carmarthenshire be the subject for Committee's next Task and Finish review. proposed that dog breeding in Carmarthenshire be the subject for Committee's next Task and Finish review.	This matter shall be the subject for the next review undertaken by the Committee's Task and Finish Group upon completion of the current review. This will be taken into consideration and planned for at the Committee's Forward Work Programme 2020/21 Development session.	Cllr J. James; Janine Owen Roger Edmunds	Complete
E&PP 13- 19/20	15th November 2019	Recommendation	7. REVIEW OF CARMARTHENSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL'S ENVIRONMENT (WALES) ACT FORWARD PLAN 2016-2019 Unanimously resolved:- 9.3 that a member seminar on Ash Dieback disease be arranged	Provisional date of 1st April has been secured. Notice of the arrangements will be forwarded to all members in due course.	Jonathan Fearn / Rosie Carmichael / Cllr. P. M. Hughes	In progress
E&PP 14- 19/20	15th November 2019	Action	8. NET ZERO CARBON ACTION PLAN 'With a view to relay the plan to communities, it was requested that a more accessible version be created including a version suitable for a young person to understand.'	Following the adoption of the Net Zero Carbon Plan by full Council on 12th February 2020, an accessible version of the Plan including a version suitable for a young person to understand will be created in the coming months.	Jason Jones/ Kendal Davies	Completed
E&PP 15- 19/20	13th January 2020	Action	6.ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS PLAN 2020-23 'It was suggested that it would be beneficial to include the Environment Departmental structure within the plan in order to provide Councillors with a visual representation of departmental roles. The Director of Environment agreed'	Single reference sheet will be prepared and distributed to Councillors to include visual representation of the divisonal responsibilities/services within the Environment department.	Jackie Edwards	Complete

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E&PP 16- 19/20	13th January 2020		The Committee received the Executive Board's	An Executive Board Forward Work Programme which includes reports within the Environment section is available for viewing on the website.	Ruth Mullen / Gaynor Morgan	Complete
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