



**North East
Derbyshire**
District Council

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Date: Friday, 7 November 2025

To: **Members of the Environment Scrutiny Committee**

Please attend a meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Committee to be held on Monday, 17 November 2025, at 3.30 pm in Council Chamber at the District Council Offices, 2013 Mill Lane, Wingerworth, Chesterfield, S42 6NG.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sarah Skeneberg".

Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

<u>Members of The Committee</u>	
Councillor C Smith (Chair) Councillor R Beech Councillor A Dale Councillor T Lacey Councillor C Renwick	Councillor F Adlington-Stringer (Vice-Chair) Councillor K Clegg Councillor L Deighton Councillor F Petersen

Any substitutions must be notified to the [Governance Manager](#) in advance by midday the working day before the meeting.

A G E N D A

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Declarations of Interest

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interests and/or other interests, not already on their register of interests, in any item on the agenda and withdraw from the meeting at the appropriate time.

3 Minutes of Last Meeting (Pages 4 - 7)

To approve as a correct record and the Chair to sign the Minutes of the Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 1 September 2025 and the Informal Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 27 October 2025.

4 Performance Management (Pages 8 - 15)

Council Plan Targets Performance Update.

Kath Drury, Information & Improvement Manager/Amar Bashir, Improvement Officer

5 Fly-Tipping

To receive an overview on fly-tipping and to hear about the issues faced by the Authority and what is being done to combat the issue.

Gill Halliwell, Service Manager (Commercial & Environment)/Thomas Rush, Team Manager (Environment Enforcement)

6 Wingerworth Lido (Pages 16 - 22)

For Committee to confirm their position on the Motion from Council on 22 September 2025.

Cllr Caroline Smith, Chair of Environment Scrutiny/Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer

7 Cabinet Business (Pages 23 - 30)

To inform Committee of recent and forthcoming Cabinet business.

A digest of Cabinet decisions taken since May 2025. This information is published by Cabinet meeting on the Council's website. Cabinet Agendas, Decisions and Minutes can be viewed at: [Cabinet](#)

The Forward Plan of Executive decisions.

[Plans](#)

These plans are updated to include new business.

Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer

8 Policy Development

To contribute to major Policies being considered by the Council.

9 Work Programme (Pages 31 - 37)

To consider the Committee's Work Programme, and to also consider and contribute to potential changes in the operating environment which may include legislation, regulation and key projects being undertaken by the Council, for example, that could form potential topic items for the Work Programme in the future.

Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer

10 Additional Urgent Items

To consider any other matter which the Chair of the Committee is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

11 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Committee is scheduled to take place on 23 February 2026 at 3.30 pm.

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ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2025

Present:

Councillor Caroline Smith (Chair) (in the Chair)

Councillor Graham Baxter MBE
Councillor Lilian Deighton
Councillor Fran Petersen

Councillor Richard Beech
Councillor Tony Lacey
Councillor Carolyn Renwick

Also Present:

D Thompson	Assistant Director of Planning
A Bashir	Improvement Officer
J Hayden	Senior Scrutiny Officer
T Fuller	Governance Officer

ESC/ Apologies for Absence

11/2

5-26 Apologies for absence were received from Councillors F Adlington-Stringer and A Dale.

ESC/ Declarations of Interest

12/2

5-26 There were no declarations of interest.

ESC/ Minutes of Last Meeting

13/2

5-26 RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Environment Scrutiny Committee held on 21 July 2025 were approved and signed by the Chair.

ESC/ Performance Management

14/2

5-26 The Improvement Officer presented a report to the Committee summarising progress on the strategies underpinning the Council Plan objective 'A great place that cares for the environment' for the period ending 30th June 2025.

Some Members requested more information on how the Warm Homes scheme would be advertised and how many homes it would reach. It was agreed that the appropriate team would be invited to a future meeting to share information on the Warm Homes Local Grant scheme (private sector).

RESOLVED – That progress against the Council Plan "A great place that cares for the environment" objective was noted.

ESC/ Biodiversity Net Gain Update

15/2

5-26

Committee received a presentation that updated them on what the Council are doing to achieve biodiversity net gain (BNG). The presentation highlighted the sites that had been identified for biodiversity offsetting through the call for sites process, as well as the next steps in regard to achieving BNG in the district.

Some Members requested further details on the sites shortlisted for biodiversity offsetting. Committee were informed of how the sites had been through the call for sites process. It was shared that at least 2 of the locations that made the shortlist were Council owned. Some Members requested clarification as to how biodiversity offsetting would scale to the size of development. In this context, Committee heard how biodiversity offsetting is likely to work in practice and Members discussed the benefit to the district of having a bank of available sites.

Members were informed that there was still a lot of work to be undertaken within this area in terms of assessing site suitability, working closely with relevant land owners, S106 Agreements, developing the Local Plan for Nature and forming a Biodiversity Action Plan that aligns with the Derbyshire-wide Local Nature Recovery Strategy, the Local Plan, and the Council's Climate Change Strategy/Action.

RESOLVED –

That Committee noted the presentation.

ESC/ Planning Infrastructure Bill/Planning Reform

16/2

5-26

Committee received a presentation on how Planning Reforms will impact the Council. The presentation gave an overview of the aims of the Planning and Infrastructure Bill as well as a detailing of how the Bill will impact the Council in practice. This included in areas such as critical infrastructure, nature recovery, decision making and planning fees, Compulsory Planning Orders and strategic planning.

Some Members had questions around the role of Parish Councils in the planning process going forward. Similar questions were raised the around the role of Planning Committee going forward. Members heard that the current trajectory was for more decisions to be made by officers, where development is within the Local Plan. The need for a Planning Committee was clarified and Members heard that the Reforms were in an effort to streamline the planning process. In this context, the pressure to have an up to date Local Plan was reiterated.

RESOLVED –

That Committee noted the presentation.

ESC/ Local Plan Update

17/2

5-26

Committee received a presentation updating them on the new Local Plan for North East Derbyshire. The presentation gave an overview of the ongoing work around the creation of a new Local Plan. This included the establishment of an

evidence base, the first round of the call for sites process and the consultations that had taken place. The presentation also included the priorities for the next few months and detailed the timeline for further consultation.

Committee also received an overview of the issues pertinent to Environment Scrutiny Committee. These included renewable energy development, biodiversity net gain, public transport, cycling and walking infrastructure, and recreation and green space.

RESOLVED –

That Committee noted the presentation.

**ESC/
18/2** **Cabinet Business**

5-26 The Senior Scrutiny Officer presented Members with the Forward Plan of Executive Decisions for the period up to 15 September 2025.

RESOLVED –

That the update was noted.

**ESC/
19/2** **Policy Development**

5-26 The Senior Scrutiny Officer informed the Committee that there were no major policies for Members to consider.

RESOLVED –

That the update was noted.

**ESC/
20/2** **'Horizon Scanning'**

5-26 The Senior Scrutiny Officer updated Members on potential significant changes in the Council's operating environment, including changes to national legislation and regulation.

The Senior Scrutiny Officer explained that Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) remained on the radar. In this context, Members discussed how different recycling systems would be combined into a single unitary authority under LGR.

RESOLVED –

That the update was noted.

**ESC/
21/2** **Work Programme**

5-26 The Senior Scrutiny Officer presented the draft Work Programme 2025/26 for the Committee to consider.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Work Programme 2024/25 be approved.

ESC/ Additional Urgent Items

22/2

5-26 None.

ESC/ Date of Next Meeting

23/2

5-26 The next meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Committee was scheduled to take place on 17 November 2025 at 3.30 pm.

North East Derbyshire Council

Environment Scrutiny Committee

**Council Plan Objective – A Great Place that Cares for the Environment -
Update July to September 2025**

17th November 2025

Report of the Information and Improvement Manager

Classification: This report is public

Report By: Kath Drury, Information and Improvement Manager

Contact Officer: As above

PURPOSE / SUMMARY

To report progress on the strategies underpinning the Council Plan objective - “A great place that cares for the environment” for the period ending 30th September 2025

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That progress against the Council Plan “A great place that cares for the environment” objective be noted.

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes ☐ No ☒

Details

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
Is the decision a Key Decision? A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds: NEDDC: Revenue - £125,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £310,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	N/A
District Wards Significantly Affected	None
Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details:	
Stage 1 screening undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 	N/A - information only report
Stage 2 full assessment undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report 	No, not applicable
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes Details:

Links to Council Plan priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A great place that cares for the environment A great place to live well A great place to work A great place to access good public services
A great place that cares for the environment council plan objective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing carbon emissions and pollution across the district Increasing biodiversity across the district

REPORT DETAILS

1 **Background**

1.1 The Council plan 2023-27 has four objectives:

- A great place to work.
- A great place to access good public services.
- A great place to live well.
- A great place that cares for the environment

Information on the work undertaken this quarter under the environment objective is contained at appendix one.

1.2 Under the environment objective there are two strategies - Reduce carbon emissions and pollution across the district and Increase biodiversity across the district. Underneath those sit tactics - our approaches to positively influence the strategies.

2. **Details of Proposal or Information**

2.1 The Council advanced its environmental agenda through a range of sustainability campaigns, including Plastic Free July and Organic September, and supported positive behaviours to reduce waste. Progress was made on decarbonisation projects, with new air source heat pumps operational at Eckington Active Leisure Centre and solar panels installed at Baileys Square, Clay Cross. The Warm Homes Local Grant scheme launched, and the Council continued to reduce its own emissions by approving temporary vehicle storage to cut travel distances and ordering electric pool cars. Community engagement remained strong, with litter picks, climate change grants, and successful prosecution for fly-tipping. Biodiversity initiatives included seasonal awareness campaigns and ongoing hedgerow planting under the Biodiversity Net Gain programme all contributing to a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable district.

2.2 The report was taken to Senior Management team on 20th October 2025 for consideration and oversight.

3 **Reasons for Recommendation**

3.1 This is an information report to keep Members informed of progress against the council plan objective for the environment.

4 **Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

4.1 Not applicable to this report as providing an overview of progress against the council plan objective for the environment.

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DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
1	A summary of progress for the Council Plan objective – A great place that cares for the environment – for the period ending September 2025
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	



North East
Derbyshire
District Council

Council Plan 2023 - 2027

A summary of progress for **a great place that cares for the environment** for the period July to September 2025 (Q2)





This quarter, the following progress has been made on ***reducing carbon emissions and pollution across the district***

Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to reduce their carbon emissions.

- **Between July and September, a series of sustainability-focused campaigns were promoted to encourage positive environmental behaviours.**

These included Plastic Free July, which aimed to reduce single-use plastics; the Big Butterfly Count, which supported biodiversity awareness; Second Hand September, promoting reuse and sustainable consumption; Organic September, featuring an interview-style piece on organic practices; and Forest Week, which highlighted carbon sequestration and biodiversity. Across these initiatives, the organisation promoted actions such as reducing waste and composting, helping to lower carbon emissions and support long-term environmental goals.

- Encouraging new members at Clay Cross Active to be paperless. Introduction of the Just Do More App has replaced the need for plastic membership cards across all leisure sites.
- Warm Homes Local Grant scheme now live. Governance assurance assessment is still underway but the scheme can progress. Our local delivery partners, SBS, is managing the customer journey with staff and Environmental Health involved in the assessment and approval process. 136

enquiries received with 104 applications in progress and no grants awarded during this quarter. Total scheme allocation is £5.2m between April 25 to March 2028.

- Following national reviews of Government-funded insulation schemes, the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero carried out sample audits using independent surveyors. Twelve of our completed homes were inspected in April and May 2025. We've received feedback for five properties so far, with no major concerns reported. The remaining seven reports are expected soon, and no issues were raised during site visits. Work has now started on Wave 3 of the Social Housing Decarbonisation Scheme, with 111 homes identified for improvement. Progress updates will be shared from Quarter 3 onwards.
- Derbyshire County Council (DCC) is progressing with the rollout of on-street residential electric vehicle (EV) charging following the approval of £6.6 million LEVI (Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure) funding. While planning is underway, the specific rollout schedule across Derbyshire has not yet been agreed, and therefore no confirmed figures are available for provision in North East Derbyshire at this stage.





This quarter, the following progress has been made on ***reducing carbon emissions and pollution across the district***

Continually reduce the Council's own carbon emissions.

- Temporary vehicle storage for Streetscene refuse collection vehicles has been approved at Mill Lane. This initiative will reduce travel distances for service delivery, helping to lower emissions and improve operational efficiency.

- **The new Air Source Heat Pump system at Eckington Active Leisure Centre is now fully operational.** Work is underway to connect a new electrical cable that will allow enhanced monitoring of energy usage. This will help fine-tune the system for maximum efficiency, supporting our commitment to reducing carbon emissions and improving sustainability.

- Solar panels to units at Baileys Square, Clay Cross installed.
- Two electric pool cars have been ordered to support low-emission travel. In parallel, work is underway to assess the cost implications of expanding the use of Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO) fuel across the fleet.

Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to reduce pollution.

- Planning approval has been granted for the installation of solar panels at Clee Hill Plant Ltd (Ref: 25/00592/FL), supporting the transition to cleaner energy.

Develop policies and plans which require and encourage alternatives to car usage.

- Planning permission has been granted for the expansion of the coach and bus repair facility in Killamarsh (Ref: 25/00264/FL). This

development supports local employment and sustainable transport infrastructure.

Directly and with partners and residents, reduce litter and pollution from waste.

- Climate Change Action NED has received funding to support attendance at outdoor events such as galas, where they'll engage residents with practical advice and national campaigns on climate action. Their focus is on promoting everyday actions that contribute to sustainability, in partnership with organisations like Marches Energy Agency, aligning with the Council's commitment to informed and active community involvement.

- **Delivered a community litter pick at Clay Cross social centre** to support the work of the Active neighbourhood Pilot scheme around the theme of taking pride in the community.



- We successfully prosecuted one individual for tipping resulting in offender receiving a custodial sentence.



This quarter, the following progress has been made on ***increasing biodiversity across the district***

Assist and influence other public partners, residents, and businesses to utilise their assets to improve biodiversity

- A series of articles were published to support seasonal sustainability themes, including Sustainable Holidays (25 July), Gardening for Wildlife (August and September), Sustainable Halloween (25 September), and a joint piece with Streetscene for Second Hand September (25 September). These articles aimed to raise awareness and encourage practical actions around reuse, biodiversity, and environmentally conscious celebrations.

- The proposal to promote Wingerworth Lido as a biodiversity hub is currently undergoing a full review by the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
- Organic September encouraged residents to support organic practices at home.
- As part of the development approved off Deerlands Road, Wingerworth (Planning Ref: 25/00592/FL), adjacent land has been secured for biodiversity offsetting. This supports environmental sustainability and enhancing local ecological value.



Where appropriate, utilise Council assets to improve biodiversity

- As part of the 2025-2028 Biodiversity Net Gain delivery plan, three-quarters of the hedgerow whip planting targets have already been achieved.

North East Derbyshire District Council

Environment Scrutiny

17 November 2025

Wingerworth Lido

Report of the Scrutiny Chair for Environment

Classification: This report is public

Report By: Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer

Contact Officer: Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer (01246 217155 / joe.hayden@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk)

PURPOSE / SUMMARY

For Committee to confirm their position on the Motion from Council on 22 September 2025.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Environment Scrutiny Committee progress with the Motion as put forward by Council on 22 September 2025.
2. To note that a consultation would run from 3 November to 23 November 2025.
3. To note that a drop-in session would be held on 12 November 2025, during the consultation period, to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation.
4. To prevent any delay in determining recommendations for submission to Cabinet/Asset Management Board the proposed timetable would be:
 - 3 Nov – Online consultation goes live and key stakeholders to be contacted for written representations
 - 12 Nov – Drop-in session to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation and complete a survey if they wish
 - 17 Nov – Formal Environment Scrutiny – already in the diary and this meeting will be to inform the public of the current position
 - 23 Nov – Consultation closes, written representations will also need to be in by this date
 - Dec – Formal Environment Scrutiny – date TBC, this will be for evidence/consultation results to be reviewed with a view to making recommendations

IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes ☐ No ☒

Details:

N/A

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
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Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
District Wards Significantly Affected	Wingerworth

Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) details:	
Stage 1 screening undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 1 to be appended if not required to do a stage 2 	No, not applicable
Stage 2 full assessment undertaken <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed EIA stage 2 needs to be appended to the report 	No, not applicable
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	No, not applicable

Links to Council Plan priorities, including Climate Change, Economic and Health implications.
A great place that cares for the environment A great place to live well

REPORT DETAILS

1 Background

- 1.1 At full Council on 22 September 2025 a Motion in respect of the Wingerworth Lido was referred to the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.2 The resolution was to:
1. Invite the Environment Scrutiny Committee to review the decision of the Asset Management Board regarding the future use of Wingerworth Lido
 2. Ask that Committee to seek the views of stakeholders, including those of local residents and groups, the Parish Council, ward members and the Clay Cross Angling Club before reaching a decision.
 3. Submit its conclusions and any recommendations to the Asset Management Board for consideration.
 4. To require Asset Management Board to report its conclusion and any action it proposes to take back to the Environment Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.3 Following the Council meeting on 22 September 2025 there has been a lot of social media interest in the Lido, as well as numerous emails being sent to Members and officers setting out individual views on the Lido.

- 1.4 Given the level of attention the Lido was attracting, the Chair of Environment Scrutiny requested an informal meeting to seek the views of the members of the Committee on whether or not to proceed with the Motion. The informal meeting took place on 27 October 2025. This meant that the initial discussion on whether to take forward the Motion, and where this would fit into the Committee's Work Programme, did not have to wait until the next meeting of the Committee on 17 November 2025.

2. Details of Proposal or Information

- 2.1 At its informal meeting on 27 October 2025 the Environment Scrutiny Committee Members accepted that the Motion put forward should be a topic for review, given its level of interest amongst stakeholders, local residents and anglers.

Consultation

- 2.2 The Motion clearly set out the need to seek views of stakeholders, the local community, the Parish Council, Ward Members and the Angling Club on the future use of Wingerworth Lido.
- 2.3 In response, and as part of the Senior Scrutiny Officer's role, in conjunction with the Chair, preliminary work was undertaken with the Information and Improvement Team to develop a draft survey. This draft was circulated to Committee Members prior to the informal meeting for consideration.
- 2.4 The Committee felt the draft survey aligned with the objectives of the Motion, focusing on the future use of the site and providing a framework to guide subsequent discussions and decisions.
- 2.5 Committee Members were keen to see a public drop-in session to allow residents the opportunity to complete the survey, written representations could also be accepted at this session.
- 2.6 The consultation would run from 3 November to 23 November 2025, with a drop-in session arranged for 12 November from 3pm to 7pm at the Council offices.

Proposed Timeline

- 2.7 To ensure timely formulation of recommendations for submission to Cabinet/Asset Management Board, the following timetable is proposed:
- 3 November – Online consultation goes live and key stakeholders to be contacted for written representations
 - 12 November – Drop-in session to allow members of the public to take part in the consultation and complete a survey if they wish
 - 17 November – Formal Environment Scrutiny – already in the diary and this meeting will be to inform the public of the current position

- 23 November – Consultation closes, written representations will also need to be submitted by this date
- December – Special meeting of Environment Scrutiny (date to be confirmed), this will be for the review of evidence/consultation results with a view to then make recommendations.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 The Environment Scrutiny Committee felt that given the level of interest and public views on the Lido, it would be prudent to move forward with the Motion without delay.
- 3.2 Any proposals put forward by the Committee at its informal meeting on 27 October 2025 are in line with the Motion, and any preparatory work prior and after that meeting reflect this.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

- 4.1 Not progressing with the Motion - this would not best serve the stakeholders and members of public interested in the matter.

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
1	Notes of Informal meeting of the members of the Environment Scrutiny Committee – 27 October 2025
Background Papers (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	
N/A	

ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

NOTES OF INFORMAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2025

Present:

Councillor Caroline Smith (Chair) (in the Chair)
Councillor Frank Adlington-Stringer (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Richard Beech
Councillor Fran Petersen

Councillor Tony Lacey
Councillor Charlotte Cupit

Also Present:

J Hayden Senior Scrutiny Officer
T Fuller Senior Governance Officer

Other Attendees:

Councillor Ross Shipman Observer

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A Dale, C Renwick and L Deighton.

Councillor C Cupit attended as a substitute for Councillor A Dale.

2 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3 Wingerworth Lido

The Chair welcomed everyone and explained the informal meeting was to facilitate an initial discussion on whether to take forward the Motion on Wingerworth Lido that had been agreed at Council on 22 September 2025. The Chair advised that this was a confidential meeting and requested that procedures for “closed” meetings were followed.

The Motion had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

The Committee Members considered the Motion and accepted that as it was creating significant interest that it should form part of its work programme.

The Senior Scrutiny Officer stated that in case the Committee should take this Motion forward then some preparatory work had started. This included looking at what evidence would need to be gathered, and which stakeholders should be invited to participate. An initial draft survey to seek views of stakeholders and residents etc. had been drawn up with the assistance of the Information and Improvement Team.

The Committee Members discussed how to proceed and how best to engage with as wide a demographic as possible. Members were keen to hold a drop-in session during the consultation period, with the date confirmed before the consultation went live. It was noted that all evidence gathered would be considered at a formal meeting of the Committee.

A draft timeline for progressing the Motion was discussed. This included having the consultation live in time for the next formal meeting on 17 November 2025. At the November meeting an overview of the preparatory work would be provided, as well as an update on the consultation. The Committee considered that it may then need to hold an additional meeting, once the consultation had closed to consider all responses and evidence.

4 Date of Next Meeting

This item would be picked up at the next formal meeting of the Committee on 17 November 2025 at 3.30 pm.

CABINET DECISIONS 2025/26

Date	Title	Portfolio Holder	Status	Decision	Reasons for Decision
11 Sept 2025	<p>Simpler Recycling</p> <p><i>Relevant to Environment Scrutiny</i></p>	Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment & Place	Key & Open	<p>(1) That the statutory changes to waste collection including Simpler Recycling, Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) and Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) be noted.</p> <p>(2) That the recommended option for Simpler Recycling, as outlined in the report, be approved. This included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) production of a TEEP (Technical, Economic, Environmental and Practical) Assessment. b) noting the Head of Paid Service's recommendation to seek approval from full Council to recruit and establish 19 FTE for food waste service operation. c) providing first roll of compostable caddy liners to residents to encourage behaviour change 	The recommendation provides a robust option to meet the statutory changes to waste collection introduced by the Government.

Date	Title	Portfolio Holder	Status	Decision	Reasons for Decision
	Continuation of Management Agreement – Housing Services <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance	Non Key & Open	(1) That a five year extension of the management agreement (in accordance with clause 2 of the Management Agreement) to RHL for the provision of housing services, effective from 1 April 2026, be agreed. (2) That the appointment of Managing Director, as required by Clause 19.1 of the Management Agreement, be ratified	Continuity of service provision for a major front line service such as Housing was hugely important. Rykneld Homes Limited had demonstrated high levels of service provision across all areas.
	Equality Plan & Duty Review 2025 <i>Relevant to Communities/Services Scrutiny</i>	Councillor J Barry, Portfolio Holder for Growth & Assets	Non Key & Open	That progress against the objectives set within the Equality Plan 2023-2027 and ongoing compliance with the Equality Duty be noted.	This was an information report to keep Cabinet informed of progress against the objectives set in the Equality Plan 2023-2027 and to demonstrate continuing compliance with the Equality Duty.
	Council Plan 2023-2027 Performance Report – April to June 2025 <i>Relevant to All Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance	Non Key & Open	That progress against the Council Plan 2023-2027 objected be noted.	This was an information report to keep Cabinet informed of progress against the Council Plan objectives.

Date	Title	Portfolio Holder	Status	Decision	Reasons for Decision
23 Oct 2025	Digital Strategy <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Open	That Cabinet approved the Council's Digital Strategy 2025-2030 which sets out a five year roadmap for digital transformation, aligned with the Council Plan. The strategy aims to improve service delivery, increase efficiency, promote digital inclusion and enhance resident engagement through innovation, data driven decision making and collaborative leadership.	<p>The strategy provides a comprehensive, forward-looking framework for digital transformation.</p> <p>It supports the Council's priorities and addresses challenges such as digital exclusion, service complexity, and resource constraints.</p> <p>Endorsing the strategy enables coordinated delivery and accountability across services.</p>
	Supported Housing Lease Agreements <i>Relevant to Communities Scrutiny</i>	Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Open	<p>(1) Cabinet noted and agreed to the intended use of the properties highlighted in this report.</p> <p>(2) Cabinet agreed for the properties to be leased under a full repairing and insuring arrangement, and at a peppercorn rent / lease charge.</p>	<p>To increase the amount of good quality supported housing in the district, exclusively to fulfil the needs of the Councils Housing Options service.</p> <p>To fulfil the Councils housing strategy objectives in delivering supported housing and increasing the quality of housing in the district</p> <p>To re purpose valuable Council social assets for the benefit of residents.</p> <p>To further the Councils commitment to reduce the use of hotels for people at risk of or experiencing homelessness.</p>

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	<p>Planning Policy Annual Monitoring Reports for Publication</p> <p><i>Relevant to Environment Scrutiny</i></p>	Report of Councillor S Pickering, Portfolio Holder for Environment and Place	Non Key & Open	Cabinet noted the contents of the Annual Monitoring Reports for the 2024-2025 monitoring period and approve their publication on the Council's website.	This report sets out the key findings of the 2024-2025 Authority Monitoring Report, Brownfield Land Register Update and Infrastructure Funding Statement. This enables the Council to understand the effectiveness of its policies and trends over time. Publication of these documents on the Council's website will fulfil the Council's statutory duties to prepare and publish the required annual monitoring datasets.

Date	Title	Portfolio Holder	Status	Decision	Reasons for Decision
	Derby and Derbyshire Strategic Leadership Board - Revised Terms of Reference and Hosting Relevant to Services Scrutiny	Report of Councillor N Barker, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Non Key & Exempt	<p>(1) approved of the revised terms of reference set out in Appendix 1.</p> <p>(2) agreed that South Derbyshire District Council (SDDC) acts as Host Authority in place of Derbyshire County Council (DCC).</p> <p>(3) approved of the annual payment to SDDC of £34,500 per annum for the purposes of hosting and providing hosting support. The sum to be paid from the Retained Business Rates (held by Derbyshire County Council as the Accountable Body) and to be uplifted by 5% per annum.</p> <p>(4) approved of the payment of £2,000 to SDDC from the Retained Business Rates (held by Derbyshire County Council as the Accountable Body) for the purpose of obtaining advice and assistance in relation to the transfer of hosting of the Board and the revised terms of reference.</p>	<p>The D2 SLB in part at least, is a merger of two (now dissolved) successful Joint Committees, the workstreams and roles of which is to support effective and efficient decision making across a range of themes in Derbyshire. In addition to this, the D2 SLB is now the recognised mechanism to make nominations to the EMCCA Board.</p> <p>The D2 SLB is not a legal entity and therefore to establish and operate the Joint Committee, a host organisation is required. The host authority will be responsible for the administration of meetings of the Joint Committee and hold funding on behalf of the Joint Committee. The host authority's Statutory Officers will act as the Statutory Officers for the Joint Committee.</p> <p>Following the recent decision of DCC to withdraw funding and withdraw from being the host authority of the D2 SLB, it has been necessary to reflect, establish the impact of the current situation, consider the implications of this decision, and to consider a potential alternative proposal.</p>



North East Derbyshire
District Council

Forward Plan of Executive Decisions for the period 15 October 2025 – 15 November 2025

This Forward Plan sets out all of the decisions that are expected to be taken over the next four months by either: (i) The Cabinet, or (ii) an officer on an Executive function of the Council.

Some of the decisions listed in this plan are 'Key Decisions'. A Key Decision is one that is likely to:

- (a) Result in the Council spending or receiving income of over £125,000 revenue or £310,000 capital, or
- (b) Have a significant impact on two or more wards in the Council's area.

At least 28 calendar days' notice must be given before they are due to be taken by the Cabinet or an officer under delegated powers.

The Cabinet can make urgent decisions which do not appear in the Forward Plan. A notice will be published at the District Council Offices and on the Council's website explaining the reasons for the urgent decisions. Please note that the decision dates are indicative and are subject to change.

The Forward Plan also lists those 'Exempt' Decisions which are going to be taken over the next four months. Exempt Decisions are those decisions which have to be taken in private. This is because they involve confidential or exempt information which cannot be shared with the public.

The contact details for the officers or senior employees responsible for producing the reports and reports for these decisions are included in the plan. Please contact them if you would like more information. If you have any queries about why something is a Key Decision or is going to be taken in private then please contact the Governance Team on 01246 217391 or email: amy.bryan@ne-derbyshire.gov.uk.

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Cabinet members and their responsibilities

Member	Portfolio of responsibilities
Councillor N Barker	Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance
Councillor P R Kerry	Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership & Finance
Councillor J Barry	Portfolio Holder for Growth & Assets
Councillor J Birkin	Portfolio Holder for Council Services
Councillor K Gillott	Portfolio Holder for Local Government Reorganisation
Councillor S Pickering	Portfolio Holder for Environment & Place
Councillor K Rouse	Portfolio Holder for Health & Leisure

DECISION TO BE TAKEN	DECISION-MAKER	DATE OF DECISION	KEY DECISION	EXEMPT DECISION (INCLUDING GROUNDS FOR EXEMPTION)	RESPONSIBLE PORTFOLIO HOLDER	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
Award of Contract - Revenues Cloud Based Software <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer)	Not before 24th Oct 2025	Key	Fully exempt Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information)	Portfolio Holder for Council Services	Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer)
Local Government Reorganisation Submission <i>Relevant to Services Scrutiny</i>	Cabinet	6 Nov 2025	Key	Open	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Managing Director
New Homes Opportunity (RHL) <i>Relevant to Communities Scrutiny</i>	Cabinet	27 Nov 2025	Key	Open	Leader of the Council & Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership and Finance	Director of Finance and Resources (Section 151 Officer)

ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2025/26

CHAIR: CLLR CAROLINE SMITH

VICE CHAIR: CLLR FRANK ADLINGTON-STRINGER

AGENDA ITEM	BRIEF DESCRIPTION	LEAD OFFICER/ORGANISATION
Meeting Date: 21 July 2025		
Electrical Car Charging Points	Overview of the plans for installing charging points across the District	David Broom, Facilities & Contracts Manager / DCC— ACCEPTED
	Outcomes: Understand the work being done to roll out EVCP across the district. ACTION: Monitor decisions made by DCC on this topic and try and get overview on what is being done, especially in terms of residential charging	
Cabinet Business	Cabinet Decisions and Forward Plan	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: Learned about the Cabinet Decisions made to date and upcoming reports going forward to Cabinet	
Policy Development	To contribute to major Policies being considered by the Council	Lead Officer
	Outcomes: To have contributed on new/revised policies and strategies	
Horizon Scanning	To consider and contribute to potential changes in the operating environment which may include legislation, regulation and key projects being undertaken by the Council, for example	Lead Officer
	Outcomes: To have considered and contributed to potential changes in the operating environment that may arise	
Work Programme	To consider the Committees' work programme	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: Agreed a Work Programme going forward for the year	

Meeting Date: 1 September 2025		
Biodiversity Net Gain Update	Update on what the Council are doing to achieve biodiversity net gain	David Thompson, Assistant Director of Planning — ACCEPTED
	Outcomes: Gained further knowledge on what the Council are doing to achieve biodiversity net gain	
Planning Infrastructure Bill/Planning Reform	To hear about changes to Planning and how this impacts the Council	David Thompson, Assistant Director of Planning — ACCEPTED
	Outcomes: Heard about the impact of the Planning Bill/Reform	
Local Plan Update	Update on the Local Plan	David Thompson, Assistant Director of Planning — ACCEPTED
	Outcomes: Heard about the work done so far on the Local Plan and any changes/issues that have arisen	
Performance Management	Council Plan Targets Performance Update — Quarter 1	Kath Drury — Information and Improvement Manager / Amar Bashir — Improvement Officer
	Outcomes: Gained insight into the quarterly targets to date, and how areas are performing	
Cabinet Business	Cabinet Decisions and Forward Plan	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: Informed of Cabinet Decisions made to date and what topics are due to be presented in the future	
Policy Development	To contribute to major Policies being considered by the Council	Lead Officer
	Outcomes: Contributed on new/revised policies and strategies	
Horizon Scanning	To consider and contribute to potential changes in the operating environment which may include legislation, regulation and key projects being undertaken by the Council, for example	Lead Officer

	Outcomes: <i>Considered and contributed to potential changes in the operating environment that may arise</i>	
Work Programme	To consider the Committees' work programme	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: <i>Agreed the Work Programme for the year. ACTION: Add Warm Home Grants—Private Sector Housing to WP</i>	
Meeting Date: 27 October 2025 (INFORMAL)		
Wingerworth Lido	For Committee to consider the Motion from full Council on 22 September 2025	Cllr Caroline Smith, Chair of Environment Scrutiny
	Outcomes: <i>To determine Committee's decision on whether to progress with the Motion, and if so, how?</i>	
Meeting Date: 17 November 2025		
Fly-Tipping	To receive an overview on fly-tipping and to hear about the issues faced by the Authority and what is being done to combat the issue	Gill Halliwell, Service Manager (Commercial & Environment) / Thomas Rush, Team Manager (Environment Enforcement) – REQUESTED
	Outcomes: <i>To understand the issues/concerns and to find out what the Authority are doing to combat the issue</i>	
Wingerworth Lido	For Committee to confirm their position on the Motion from full Council on 22 September 2025	Cllr Caroline Smith, Chair of Environment Scrutiny / Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To inform Committee/Public of the decision on how the Motion is being taken forward</i>	
Performance Management	Council Plan Targets Performance Update – Quarter 2	Kath Drury – Information and Improvement Manager / Amar Bashir – Improvement Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To gain insight into the quarterly targets to date, and see how areas are performing</i>	
Cabinet Business	Cabinet Decisions and Forward Plan	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer

	Outcomes: <i>To identify Cabinet Decisions made to date and see what topics are due to be presented in the future, and determine if any require further follow-up by Scrutiny</i>	
Policy Development	To contribute to major Policies being considered by the Council	Lead Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To have contributed on new/revised policies and strategies</i>	
Horizon Scanning	To consider and contribute to potential changes in the operating environment which may include legislation, regulation and key projects being undertaken by the Council, for example	Lead Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To have considered and contributed to potential changes in the operating environment that may arise</i>	
Work Programme	To consider the Committees' work programme	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To agree a Work Programme for the year</i>	
Meeting Date: 23 February 2026		
Tree Strategy	Overview of the Strategy and the Council's plans for implementation	Joy Redfern, Assistant Director of Streetscene / Cate Harris, Streetscene Coordinator – ACCEPTED
	Outcomes: <i>To understand the strategy and how this impacts the Council</i>	
Update on Waste Reforms	Update on the new legislation and future plans for the Council	Joy Redfern, Assistant Director of Streetscene – (invite sent)
	Outcomes: <i>To understand the impact of the Reforms on the Council, and plans going forward</i>	
Performance Management	Council Plan Targets Performance Update – Quarter 3	Kath Drury – Information and Improvement Manager / Amar Bashir – Improvement Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To gain insight into the quarterly targets to date, and see how areas are performing</i>	

Cabinet Business	Cabinet Decisions and Forward Plan	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To identify Cabinet Decisions made to date and see what topics are due to be presented in the future, and determine if any require further follow-up by Scrutiny</i>	
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	Outcomes: <i>To have considered and contributed to potential changes in the operating environment that may arise</i>	
Work Programme	To consider the Committees’ work programme	Joe Hayden, Senior Scrutiny Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To agree a Work Programme for the year</i>	
Meeting Date: 11 May 2026		
Climate Change Action Plan Update	Update on achievements to date against the Action Plan	Steve Lee, Assistant Director of Regeneration & Programmes / Tris Burdett, Programmes Manager and Interim Economic Development & Regeneration Manager - TBC
	Outcomes: <i>To gain an insight into the work that has been undertaken against the Action Plan</i>	
Performance Management	Council Plan Targets Performance Update – Quarter 4	Kath Drury – Information and Improvement Manager / Amar Bashir – Improvement Officer
	Outcomes: <i>To gain insight into the quarterly targets to date, and see how areas are performing</i>	

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NOTES

- Warm Home Grants (Private Sector) – Feb/May 2026
- Waste management and disposal – implication of processes and stats in terms of recycling etc (to look at further once embedded)
- Biodiversity Net Gain Update / Call for Sites Update

HORIZON SCANNING (topics to be aware of going forward including legislation, regulation and key projects)

- Local Government Reorganisation
- Local Plan

