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Title:	Natural Resources Management Strategy	•
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Summary

1. This report invites the Committee to recommend the approval of the Strategy and related action plan.

Recommendations

2. That the Full Council be recommended to approve the Natural Resources Management Strategy and related action plan.

Background Papers

3. The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection from the author of the report.

Equalities impact assessment of the draft strategy.

Impact

4.

Communication/Consultation		
Community Safety		
Equalities	See EIA	
Finance	Resource implications are identified in the action plan	
Health and Safety		
Human Rights/Legal Implications		
Sustainability		
Ward-specific impacts		
Workforce/Workplace	Responsible posts for delivering action are identified in the action plan	

Situation

- 5. The Council adopted a Climate Change Strategy in 2007. This has now been reviewed and expanded in scope to become a Natural Resources Management Strategy.
- 6. Managing natural resources is an aspect of the Council's work that is assessed by the Audit Commission in the Use of Resources inspection that it is currently conducting.

Risk Analysis

7.

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
Resources to implement the strategy are not available	2 Actions may require more resource than expected. Actions are integrated into service delivery.	2 Unlikely to affect the majority of actions	Monitor implementation and review actions. Divisional plans to take forward actions.
Actions cannot be implemented because of changes in external context	2 Consultation, public examination and national policy may affect ability to progress some actions.	2 Unlikely to affect the majority of actions	Monitor implementation and review actions.

1 = Little or no risk or impact

2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.

3 = Significant risk or impact – action required

4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.