

ACTION PLAN: Review of Home Energy Efficiency and Green Jobs for the Future

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1	<p>That correspondence is sent to the relevant government minister to urge that legislation is passed regarding delivering increased energy efficiency/ energy production standards on new housing through more stringent building regulations.</p>	<p>Report and letter sent to local MPs and the Secretary of State for Energy and Climate Change signed by Cabinet Member and Select Committee Chair.</p>	<p>Support secured.</p>	<p>Rebecca Saunders-Thompson/Judy Trainer</p>	<p>September 2023</p>
2	<p>That a communications package is implemented to raise awareness amongst residents of new home efficiency initiatives and grants.</p>	<p>All campaigns which include those covering new home efficiency initiatives and grants are captured as part of the directorate communications plans which are agreed each year.</p> <p>Each campaign is then considered and a communications package is developed which could include; social media (bespoke posts or shares from the lead organisation for the scheme), press release if it is an SBC led scheme, uploaded to the SBC website under the ‘Energy Saving Schemes’ webpage linking to the most appropriate page, inclusion in the My Council Newsletter, inclusion in Stockton-on-Tees News if timescales line up with the magazines distribution dates. We also share internally with staff via KYiT, intranet banners, noticeboards, and toilet door posters.</p> <p>Plus, with other teams who can share amongst suitable networks e.g., Community Partnerships. We can also</p>	<p>Monitoring engagement.</p>	<p>Communications Team</p>	<p>March 2024/Ongoing</p>

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		share with partners such as Catalyst who can add into their weekly newsletters.			
3	That Stockton-on-Tees Borough Council’s (SBC) Employment and Training Hub, and the Business and IP Centre, continue to work with external businesses and agencies to deliver ‘green jobs’ workshops, training and host recruitment events aimed at all levels including entry level jobs.	<p>Launch the Hub Portal to advertise green jobs and promote training and events.</p> <p>Deliver a Green Skills construction course in partnership with Centre Point, for young people (16+), including site visits and interviews.</p> <p>Encourage representation at future recruitment events from companies with green jobs/with a focus on delivering the green agenda.</p> <p>Develop relationships with businesses to understand opportunities for green jobs and work with them to recruit into roles.</p> <p>Support business start-ups through the Business and IP Centre, incorporating information and guidance on how to be more green/sustainable. Make businesses aware of funding to support to become greener.</p>	Support secured.	Julie Marsden	March 2024/Ongoing
4	That there is continued delivery of the four high-level objectives outlined within SBC’s Environmental Sustainability and Carbon Reduction Strategy. This	The strategy requires an action plan which enables service areas to understand their commitments and responsibilities. The action plan is a live document and concentrates on the	Monitoring and evaluation.	Neil Mitchell	March 2024/Ongoing

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	<p>includes an overall aim for the authority to be Net Zero* by 2032 and the wider borough by 2050. *Net zero means cutting greenhouse gas emissions to as close to zero as possible, with any remaining emissions re-absorbed from the atmosphere, by oceans and forests for instance</p>	<p>authorities' operations. This plan is monitored and evaluated which is scrutinised by a Senior Management Oversight Group.</p> <p>In addition to the above, four climate coalitions have been developed to bring together leaders from wider Borough to develop plans to achieve Net Zero.</p>			