

**Minute Reference:**  
**HWSP.67/21 (3) ZERO CARBON CUMBRIA PARTNERSHIP**

**Meeting date:** 14<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Public

**Written response to:** Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel

**Resolution:**

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**RESOLVED - 3) That Officers consider the inclusion of Climate Change in the Corporate Implications sections of Council Committee reports.**

**Written response from:** Governance Sub Group

**Response:**

The Panel's request was considered at the Governance Sub Group (23/11/21) and it was also discussed at JMT (22/11/21).

All are agreed that the implications of climate change are important. We already have a SHE (Safety, Health & Environment) Manager (qualified to this extent) feeding climate change comments in to any Property Comments on council property reports.

The problem with having a separate Climate Change implication is that, unlike all of the other 'implications', we do not have a relevant, qualified staff member to complete the comments. When relevant to a report, climate change comments on projects should be picked up within the body of the report.

This response is not given lightly and the importance of climate change is accepted and acknowledged but it is also important that the implications on reports are completed by appropriately qualified persons.

On behalf of the Governance Sub Group

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**Date: 16/12/21**