

Scrutiny Panel 24th April 2023 Item 7 – Net Zero Scrutiny Panel Draft Report	Item No 7
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OUTLINE

The climate and ecological crisis is already having visible effects on the world. Reaching the UK's net zero ambitions will require all tiers of government, businesses, institutions and communities to work closely together. In response, the Council declared a climate emergency in 2019 and has been building its vision to transition to net zero since. Hackney, and the UK generally, has made good progress in reducing emissions over the last decade, but it is recognised that faster and coordinated action will be needed to protect communities and the environment from the effects of climate change.

It is within this context that the Net Zero Review was established by the Scrutiny Panel in October 2021. It was set up to look at what is needed to meet both national and local net zero targets, and to ask how the Council could better meet its ambitions in a manner that is affordable, efficient and fair.

The review was an amalgamation of work by the overarching Scrutiny Panel and the thematic Scrutiny Commissions: Health in Hackney, Living in Hackney and Skills, Economy and Growth during the municipal year 2021/2022.

The draft report has been finalised with the recommendations and findings from the review.

Purpose

The Scrutiny Panel is asked to sign-off the draft report.

Reports attached for this item

- Net Zero Overarching Scrutiny Panel Review draft report

ACTION

Scrutiny Panel is requested to agree and sign-off the report as the final draft and send the report to the Mayor and Cabinet for an Executive response.