

CABINET MEMBERS REPORT TO COUNCIL

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For the period January to February 2024

1 Progress on Portfolio Matters.

Carbon Literacy training

The Corporate Leadership and Management Teams have received their carbon literacy training. This has been well received. This training is being conducted in-house by our Climate Change Project Officer.

Environmental tips

“Green tips of the week” have been going out on various council social media channels. These are on a range of topics, from energy & home retrofitting grants to thinking about consumption & the circular economy. These videos have received good feedback.

During the Christmas period NNDC gave “12 Sustainable Days of Christmas” at staff briefings. This internal awareness on environmental impacts was well received by staff members.

New waste/recycling facilities

New waste and recycling facilities have been implemented at the Cromer office.

Tree giveaway projects

Further trees from Norfolk County Council’s one million tree project were given away at Sheringham Market as well as promotion of the trees for connectivity project which has had good take up in North Norfolk.

2 Forthcoming Activities and Developments.

Green Business Event featuring electric vehicles and business support being planned for the springtime - details to be confirmed shortly.

Carbon Literacy training to be rolled out next for Members and relevant officers.

Review to be undertaken of carbon emissions, energy efficiency, energy management etc. at the Cromer office.

Development of business case and project plan for further photovoltaic cells on high energy consuming building in the Council's estate.

3 Meetings attended

NCCP portfolio holders meeting
"Seal of Approval" motion catch up meeting
Catfield industrial units
Norfolk Strategic Flooding Alliance
North Norfolk Flood meeting
RSN seminar: Rural Net Zero
Climate Emergency UK CICF