

**Item 5 (c) – Climate Local  
Cabinet - Recommendation to Council**

**Recommendation to Council:** That Members adopt *Climate Local Sevenoaks* as District Council policy.

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The attached report was considered by the Local Planning & Environment Advisory Committee on 19 November 2013 and Cabinet on 5 December 2013.

Cabinet, 5 December, Minute 50:

“The Portfolio Holder for Local Planning & Environment referred Members to the recommendations from the Advisory Committee. The Housing Policy Manager advised Members on the background of Climate Local, which was a Local Government Association (LGA) initiative to drive, inspire and support local authority action on a changing climate. The initiative supported ‘mitigation’ measures (address the root causes by reducing greenhouse gas emissions) and ‘adaptation’ measures (lower the risks posed by the consequences of climatic changes). Climate Local superseded the Nottingham Declaration on Climate Change, which had been previously adopted by the District Council. In response to this, Kent County Council (KCC) and its public sector partners, which included all Kent district/borough councils, Kent Police, Kent Fire and Rescue, and Kent and Medway NHS Trust, had jointly developed Climate Local Kent which was subsequently supported by the Kent Forum.

Public Sector Equality Duty

Members noted that consideration had been given to impacts under the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Resolved: That it be recommended to Council, that *Climate Local Sevenoaks* Option A, be approved and adopted as District Council policy.”