



**Havering**  
LONDON BOROUGH

**ENVIRONMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY SUB  
COMMITTEE  
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**Subject Heading:**

Climate Change Topic Group - Scope

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To agree the scope of the Climate  
Change Topic Group**

**Policy context:**

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Change Topic Group**

**Financial summary:**

**No impact of presenting information  
itself.**

**SUMMARY**

This report gives details of the scope of the Sub-Committee's Climate Change Topic Group.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Sub-Committee agrees the scope of the Climate Change topic group as shown below.

**REPORT DETAIL**

Following the recent decision to establish a climate change topic group, the scope of the topic group is required, under the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, to be presented to the Sub-Committee for approval. The proposed scope is as follows:

- a. To recommend what should the Council Policy be on Carbon Emissions in light of tackling change?
- b. In view of other Councils having declared a Climate Emergency, to consider what action, if any, Havering should take in light of this trend.
- c. To consider if the Cabinet should have a lead portfolio holder for climate change or if should it be added to an existing portfolio or be part of every Cabinet Member role?
- d. To recommend what Council policies may need to be reviewed and refreshed?
- e. To investigate whether the themes of the overall Sustainability and Efficiency Policy are the correct ones or whether anything should be added and to consider if the proposed actions under each theme are robust and measureable?
- f. To consider how the Council can develop a narrative with the community on the actions being taken by Havering Council to tackle climate change?
- g. To review any other related issues that may emerge as a result of the topic group's scrutiny.

**IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

**Financial implications and risks:** None of this covering report.

**Legal implications and risks:** None of this covering report.

**Human Resources implications and risks:** None of this covering report.

**Equalities implications and risks:** None of this covering report.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None.