Environment and Attractive City Scrutiny Committee Low Carbon Vehicles in the Delivery of Public Services recommendations 2011/12

Ref	Recommendation	Action	Owner	Due Date	Progress Commentary
(a)	That the Scrutiny Committee be informed of the outcome of the Fleet and Transportation Review and progress in regard to implementation	The outcome of the Fleet and Transportation review will be concluded in summer 2014. Annual updates will be provided to accompany the Policy Review Recommendations Performance Monitoring report*	Head of Streetscene	October 2012	
(b)	That the Council considers implementing appropriate targets for the replacement of its current fleet cars with electric counterparts based upon the findings and recommendation of Cenex with a view to revisiting the cost benefit	Fleet and Transportation Service review to establish target numbers for electric cars. Cost benefit analysis of larger vans to be carried out annually.	Head of Streetscene Head of Streetscene	December 2012 March 2013	
	analysis for larger vans as capital costs change				
(c)	That the Council considers an electric car pool system for its staff and that the appropriateness of extending this to the wider community is investigated	Fleet and Transportation Service Review to carry out and conclude on business case for electric pool cars.	Head of Streetscene	December 2012	
(d)	That the Council commissions a comprehensive training programme for drivers should electric vehicles be utilised within the fleet	Training requirements to be established dependant on the outcome of actions (b) and (c)	Head of Streetscene	TBC	

(e)	That the impact of efforts made to establish the city as a 'Low-Carbon City' be continually monitored to ensure tangible benefits to the city.	Appropriate measures to be identified and included in monitoring for the Economic Masterplan and the Corporate Plan	Head of Performance Improvement	September 2012
(f)	That the Council considers a range of innovative methods of reducing carbon emissions from all forms of transport and keeps a 'watching brief' on the developments of technology for low-carbon vehicles.	Annual updates will be provided to accompany the Policy Review Recommendations Performance Monitoring report.*	Head of Streetscene	December 2012
(g)	That the Council explores ways in which to encourage partners to explore the use of low-carbon vehicles where appropriate.	Share the outcomes of the service review through regional networks including holding a regional conference on low carbon vehicles.	Head of Streetscene	October 2012
(h)	That the Council collaborates with NEPO to present the business case to the region's local authorities and other public sector bodies, to gain the level of commitment required to progress this agenda.	Share the outcomes of the service review through regional networks including holding a regional conference on low carbon vehicles.	Head of Streetscene	October 2012
(i)	That NEPO considers undertaking further research and analysis to ensure there is clear business case for regional procurement.	Help set up and support the sharing of outcomes of the service review, including the proposed regional conference (see (g and h)	Director NEPO	October 2012
		Carry out research on the regional interest in low carbon vehicles using the service review completed by		November 2012

		Sunderland, using the NEPO Joint Committee protocols to support development of a strategy business case for regional procurement collaboration.			
		Carry out market engagement with potential suppliers of low carbon vehicles, with Sunderland to (a) further assess the viability of a regional procurement and (b) encourage interest in the potential procurement especially from local suppliers		December 2012	
		Local Authorities in the North East formally asked to opt in or out of a regional collaborative procurement of low carbon vehicles.		December 2012	
(j)	That any procurement, whether regional or the Council acting as an individual organisation, maximises the opportunities available to local suppliers.	The outcome of the current procurement review will include a revision of policies and practices which will include how the Council can consider the maximising of opportunities available to local suppliers in all relevant procurement activity	Head of Corporate Procurement	October 2012	
(k)	That the Committee receives specific progress updates on the improvements to public transport in regard to reducing carbon emissions as part of wider annual updates given by Nexus.	To be determined and agreed within the new arrangements for the Scrutiny Commissioning Model.*	Scrutiny and Area Arrangements in consultation with Elected Members.		

^{*} Reporting arrangements to be redefined to reflect Scrutiny Commissioning Model.