

CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – THURSDAY, 22 JANUARY 2026

ITEM 6 – CABINET RESPONSE TO SCRUTINY RECOMMENDATIONS

Scrutiny comments made on: Zero Carbon Update Report

Date considered by Cabinet: 13 January 2026

	Comments/recommendations from scrutiny	Advice provided by officers at the Scrutiny meeting	Cabinet response
R1	<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>That Cabinet allocate £80,000 as required to fund stage 3 of the mine water heating feasibility study as part of the council 2026/27 budget.</p>	-	The recommendation will be taken into account as part of the wider budget proposals and cost pressures for the 2026/27 financial year. Cabinet will formally consider these matters at its meeting scheduled for 3 February.
R2	<p>Recommendation:</p> <p>a) That Cabinet allocate further funds to the zero carbon fund as part of the council 2026/27 budget; and</p> <p>b) that the Climate Change Programme Manager's salary be moved to the general fund to preserve the zero-carbon fund for future projects.</p>	-	The recommendation will be taken into account as part of the wider budget proposals and cost pressures for the 2026/27 financial year. Cabinet will formally consider these matters at its meeting scheduled for 3 February.