

Agenda Item Introduction

Committee POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR

NEIGHBOURHOODS AND REGENERATION

Date 6 JULY 2023

Topic PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY – ADOPTION OF

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGEPOINT

INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY

BACKGROUND

Following a period of public consultation, an Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Strategy has been developed. This provides detail on the roll out of public chargepoints and associated policies to ensure that a lack of charging infrastructure does not act as a barrier to electric vehicle ownership.

The committee will review the draft strategy ahead of it going to Cabinet on 14 September 2023 for approval.

FOCUS FOR SCRUTINY

The role of the committee is not to act as a 'shadow Cabinet'. Its function is to ensure that the principles of decision making have been complied with:

- taking into account all relevant considerations and ignoring those which are irrelevant
- · compliance with finance, contract and all other procedure rules
- due consultation and proper advice is taken, and alternative options considered before decisions are reached
- impartiality and an absence of bias or pre-determination
- any interests are properly declared
- · decisions are properly recorded and published
- decisions are proportionate to the desired outcome
- respect for human rights and equality impacts
- a presumption in favour of transparency and openness
- · clarity of aims and desired outcomes
- · due consideration of all available options
- reasons are given for decisions

<u>APPROACH</u>

A presentation to be provided.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED

Scrutiny Report – EVCI Appendix 1 - Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Draft Strategy Appendix 2 - Consultation Report

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