Corporate Scrutiny Committee – 12 April 2022

Written question from Christina Nicholson to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee

Dips2 noted the zero-carbon criticality and hence impact on global warming. Will scrutiny require all future planning applications to use a standardise software service to evaluate carbon impact of building, life and then demolition, and require offset of that carbon on the IOW prior to commencement.

Response

The Draft IPS includes a revised policy C11 that will require new development to meet certain thresholds to ensure net zero development, including an assessment of and maximum threshold for embodied carbon. Specific pieces of software will not be directed (as these may change over the life of the plan period of 15 years), however information demonstrating compliance will be required as part of a planning application and the Council will be open to exploring the most appropriate way of doing this, which could include the use of specific software.