**Draft Environment and Climate Strategy consultation Representation Form**

**Your representation**

Your representations should cover all of the supporting information and evidence necessary to justify your response.

**Our Vision**

“Our vision is to be a borough where the community collectively works together to achieve a sustainable future, protecting and enhancing our natural environment and achieving net zero carbon emissions 2050.”

***Question 1: Do you have any suggestions for improving our vision for the borough?***

**Themes**

The strategic framework has been based on focussing our action around four key themes.

* Circular Economy - ‘Reduce waste and consumption, increase material re-use and increase recycling rates in the borough’
* Energy - ‘Reduce energy consumption and decarbonise supply’
* Natural Environment - ‘Cleaner air, higher water quality and increased biodiversity’
* Transport - ‘Enable sustainable transport choices’

***Question 2a: Do you agree with the Circular Economy Theme?***

Yes

No

***Question 2b: Do you agree with the Energy Theme?***

Yes

No

***Question 2c: Do you agree with the Natural Environment Theme?***

Yes

No

***Question 2d: Do you agree with the Transport Theme?***

Yes

No

***Question 2e: If not, do you have any suggestions for improving the themes?***

**Theme Objectives**

Each theme has 3 objectives.

Do you agree with the objectives for each theme?

***Question 3a: Circular Economy - Reduce residual waste***

Yes

No

***Question 3b: Circular Economy - Improve recycling rates***

(Definition: Residual waste refers to the waste that is not recycled or composted. It will typical end up in your black bin)

Yes

No

***Question 3c: Circular Economy - Promote more sustainable food choices***

Yes

No

***Question 3d: If you do not agree with the Circular Economy theme objectives, what would you replace?***

***Question 3e: Energy - Reduce energy demand***

Yes

No

***Question 3f: Energy - Decarbonise supply***

Yes

No

***Question 3g: Energy - Increase renewables generation***

Yes

No

**Question 3h: If you do not agree with the Energy theme objectives, what would you replace?**

**Question 3i: Natural Environment - Protect and enhance our natural environment**

Yes

No

***Question 3j: Natural Environment - Green our towns and urban areas***

Yes

No

***Question 3k: Natural Environment - Increase awareness of biodiversity***

Yes

No

***Question 3l: If you do not agree with the Natural Environment theme objectives, what would you replace?***

***Question 3m: Transport - Improve health and wellbeing and reduce environmental impact through active transport (cycling and walking)***

Yes

No

***Question 3n: Transport - Enable the transition to more sustainable transport use***

Yes

No

***Question 3o: Transport - Support integration of transport options and support innovative smart mobility solutions***

Yes

No

Question 3p: If you do not agree with the Transport theme objectives, what would you replace?

***Question 4: Are there other areas you would consider a priority to tackling climate change in the borough that fall outside of these?***

**Trajectory to net zero**

The Council has committed to reviewing the trajectory set out in the Strategy to ensure it is as ambitious as possible whilst remaining achievable.

***Question 5: Is there a specific approach or issue to consider when devising a revised Paris-agreement aligned trajectory?***

***Question 6: Please provide links to further evidence you believe the council should consider when reviewing the trajectory.***

**Initial Action Plan 2020-25**

Actions have been assigned to each of our four themes. Each of the four themes contains a key action.

***Circular Economy - To review household waste collection regime to deliver increases in recycling***

***Energy - To work with residents/businesses to enable them to reduce carbon emissions in their buildings and review planning policy to improve the energy efficiency of new builds***

***Natural Environment -To implement a new Natural Capital programme to deliver 10% biodiversity net gain***

***(Definition: Natural Capital refers to the physical, natural resources such as forests, land and the benefits that these resources provide)***

***Transport - To prepare a new Local Transport Plan to support carbon reduction targets***

***Question 7a: Do you agree with the key action of the Circular Economy theme? (To review household waste collection regime to deliver increases in recycling)***

Yes

No

***Question 7b: If you do not agree with the key action for the Circular Economy theme, then what should it be?***

***Question 7c: Do you agree with the key action of the Energy theme? (To work with residents/businesses to enable them to reduce carbon emissions in their buildings and review***

planning policy to improve the energy efficiency of new builds)

Yes

No

***Question 7d: If you do not agree with the key action for the Energy theme, then what should it be?***

***Question 7e: Do you agree with the key action of the Natural Environment theme?***

***(To implement a new Natural Capital programme to deliver 10% biodiversity net gain***

***(Definition: Capital refers to the physical, natural resources such as forests, rivers, land and the benefits that these resources provide))***

Yes

No

***Question 7f: If you do not agree with the key action for the Natural Environment theme, then what should it be?***

***Question 7g: Do you agree with the key action of the Transport theme? (To prepare a new Local Transport Plan to support carbon reduction targets)***

Yes

No

***Question 7h: If you do not agree with the key action for the Transport theme, then what should it be?***

***Question 8: Are there actions that the Royal Borough could undertake in the next five years you believe are vital to the success of the strategy that have not been included?***

**Prioritising Actions**

Actions will be evaluated against 5 criteria to determine their degree of priority and the order in which they will be carried out.

**Criteria 1: Those with the highest potential to meet the aims set out in the strategy (e.g. contribute most to carbon reduction, contribute to biodiversity net gain) will be prioritised.**

**Criteria 2: The feasibility of the action (e.g. availability of internal funds)**

**Criteria 3: The opportunity for accessing external funds to carry out the action**

**Criteria 4: The risks/costs of inaction**

**Criteria 5: The compatibility with council function**

***Question 9: Are there any additional criteria you would like to see included to improve our approach?***

**Action on Climate Change**

Question 10: What are you already doing to tackle climate change?

Question 11: Please tell us what you/your organisation would be willing to do to help deliver the objectives set out in the strategy?

Question 12: Do you have any suggestions as to how we can involve more local people in tackling climate change?

Question 13: What do you think will be the biggest benefit to residents of the Royal Borough in acting on climate change?

**Tackling climate change is recognised to have many co-benefits, which, if any, do you find most compelling?**

***Question 14a: Tick each Economic co-benefit you find most compelling***

Clean and inclusive growth in the local economy

Reduced energy costs

Increased energy security

High quality employment

Reduced congestion

Social co-benefits

Question 14b: Tick each Social co-benefit you find most compelling

Improved air quality

More active, outdoor lifestyles

Healthier diets

Warmer, healthier homes

Quieter, safer streets

Environmental co-benefits

Question 14c: Tick each Environmental co-benefit you find most compelling

Protection against biodiversity loss and environmental degradation caused by climate change

Healthier water

Reduced risk of flooding, heatwaves and extremes

***Question 15: Do you have any other comments you would like us to take into consideration?***

**Please indicate if you would like to remain updated on progress or to get more involved in tackling climate change in the borough?**

Yes

No

**If yes, please provide contact details below:**