
REPORT TO:	ENVIRONMENTAL & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM:
DATE OF MEETING:	29 JANUARY 2004	CATEGORY: DELEGATED
REPORT FROM:	DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	CORPORATE ENVIRONMENT POLICY - CONSULTATION BY DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: All

1.0 Reasons for Urgency

- 1.1 To meet the deadline for responses set by Derbyshire County Council - the invitation to comment was received after the finalisation of the agenda.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That members indicate their views on the County Council's draft revised Corporate Environment Policy
- 2.2 That the document be circulated to all members for a draft response to be prepared in consultation with the Chair of this Committee for agreement by Council on 26 February.

3.0 Purpose of Report

- 3.1 To consider Derbyshire County Council's draft revised Corporate Environment Policy Statement.

4.0 Detail

- 4.1 Derbyshire County Council has invited comments on its draft revised Corporate Environment Policy Statement. A copy is attached at Annexe A.
- 4.2 Ideally, the County Council would have like comments by 20 February but have agreed to extend the deadline to the end of the month.
- 4.3 The policy underlines the County Council's commitment to putting the principles of sustainable development into action, in everything it does.

- 4.4 As the covering letter notes, the policy does not include objectives, targets responsibilities or timescales, at the present time. These are being developed and will be included in a separate implementation document.
- 4.5 As members will be aware, the Council's recently approved Corporate Plan includes targets and milestones relating to environmental policy and performance.
- 4.6 In view of the importance of this issue, it is suggested that the document be circulated to all members for a draft response to be prepared in consultation with the Chair of this Committee for agreement be Council on 26 February.

5.0 Financial Implications

- 5.1 None arising directly from this report.

6.0 Background Papers

- 6.1 Letter and enclosure from Derbyshire County Council dated 16 January 2004.