

Public bodies duties on Climate Change Annual report 2024/25 – Draft submission noted.

4 There was submitted and noted a report by the Executive Director of Neighbourhoods, Regeneration and Sustainability regarding the Council's 2024/25 annual report on action taken to combat climate change, advising

- (1) that between 2009 and 2015, all local authorities had signed up to the Scottish Climate Change Declaration and submitted a voluntary annual report to the Scottish Government via the Sustainable Scotland Network;
- (2) that in 2016, it had become mandatory for all public sector bodies to provide an annual report on their actions in support of the Scottish Government's public bodies climate change duties; in terms of part 4 of the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009;
- (3) that the mandatory report aimed to encourage continuous improvement and enabled consistent information to be collected across public sector organisations; and
- (4) of the report findings and of the next steps to ensure submission of the annual report by the 30th November 2025.