

New Development									
		2030 Objectives, CO2 Target, Actions, Interim Actions					Performance Monitoring		
Action No.	Emissions Sector	Borough or Operational (Council) Emissions	2030 Aspirational Objective	Carbon Reduction Target	Areas of Action up to 2030	Interim Actions up to 2025	Measure of Progress	Target	Action Status/ Progress to Date
2.1	Local Planning criteria	Borough	Planning conditions set by The Council encourage low carbon and sustainable development across the borough:  1) All <b>major developments</b> are deemed net zero operational emissions. CE statements assessed where required.  2) All <b>minor developments</b> strongly encouraged to follow major development criteria.  Zero-carbon heat networks serve 13,000 homes, 10% of the borough's heat demand.	<i>Future emissions potential</i>  (approx. 50kt CO2e/yr 2030)	<b>Establish carbon recording process</b> via S106 Payments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Process map of payment collection, carbon savings and carbon remaining for offsetting.</li> <li>Develop master record document of payments and carbon savings</li> </ul>	Carbon savings per development recorded and CO2 equivalent for offsetting also recorded.	Process map established  Master document produced	<b>Started</b>  Strategy, Process Map Master Document Map drafted
2.2	Local Planning criteria	Borough			<b>Produce Carbon SPD</b> and scope/evaluate options for Local Plan review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Appoint consultant to produce carbon SPD.</li> <li>Consult Sustainability Team as required.</li> </ul>	Qualitative description of progress evaluation complete	SPD produced, aligned to Carbon Neutral Plan.  Scoping activity complete, for new Local Plan to address 'carbon neutral agenda'	<b>Ongoing</b>  Consultant Appointed.
2.3	Local Planning criteria	Borough			<b>Strengthen Local Plan</b> to deliver zero carbon development – including requiring heat network connections, (or buildings ready for heat network connections), in Heat Network Priority Areas or prioritising low carbon communal or individual heat systems in all buildings where it is technically feasible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure any progress/developments to the Borough's district heat network studies are reflected in local planning guidance given</li> <li>Continue to progress to detailed project design for DH networks</li> <li>Manage the planning dimensions of District Heat Network Development</li> <li>Include local EV charge point criteria</li> <li>Increase planning officer understanding and capacity to negotiate higher standards</li> <li>Investigate tiered offset price for S106 contributions in Local Plan proposals</li> <li>Ensure Biodiversity Net Gain processes and submissions are collected</li> <li>Public consultation</li> </ul>	Policy published	Total energy use intensities for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>residential buildings</b> of 35 kWh/m2,</li> <li><b>educational buildings</b> of 65 kWh/m2</li> <li><b>all other non-residential buildings</b> of 55 kWh/m2.</li> </ul>	<b>Ongoing</b>  Consultation feedback currently being assessed prior to next stage.
2.4	Planning Criteria: Carbon Sequestration	Borough	Green and resilient borough	95 kt CO2e/yr  Residual emissions for offsetting	<b>Biodiversity Net Gain Policy</b> enforcement mitigates ecological loss from development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify Officer capacity to review S106 and biodiversity statements. Establish statement review process.</li> <li>Draft positioning statement on adoption of BNG criteria, including justification on any requirements considered above the minimum threshold placed therein.</li> </ul>	Policy Drafted and Adopted  BNG Criteria followed	Policy Drafted and Adopted	<b>Started</b>  Additional information on legislation to be released in Jan 2024

All proposals and initiatives outlined within this Action Plan are subject to funding availability.  
 All proposals funded by RBG will be subject to a carbon saving assessment.