

RESOURCES AND PERFORMANCE SELECT COMMITTEE

6 DECEMBER 2024

MEMBER QUESTIONS

M1	<p>Question from Cllr Catherine Baart:</p> <p><i>“In the draft budget for EIG there is a line for Land & Property which states “all individual service estate transformation projects should be stopped”.</i></p> <p><i>Please can more detail be provided on what these service estate transformation projects were aiming to achieve? Were the projects aiming to reduce carbon emissions?”</i></p> <p>Response from Diane Wilding, Director - Land & Property:</p> <p>Transformation projects can be estate driven, service driven or both and the transformation benefits are also the non-financial / service-related benefits depending on the nature of the project and the service it accommodates.</p> <p>The ongoing transformation of the operational estate, particularly where community services are provided, will be reviewed from a customer, community and Place perspective. The aim is to consolidate and optimise services in modern settings to improve local services, deliver efficiencies and meet the needs of the community.</p> <p>Reducing carbon emissions is a key element of all estate projects i.e. new builds, disposals and maintenance and applications for government funding continues to support this.</p> <p>This contributes to SCC’s long-term goals to deliver quality and accessible customer and community space and help SCC meet its budget commitments, avoid long-term liabilities, maximise space utilisation and contribute to the net-zero targets.</p>
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