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**OVERVIEW OF SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE  
PORTFOLIO**

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1. Since the last meeting of Council, the following are the main areas of work undertaken under the Sustainable Environment and Climate Change Portfolio:
  - (a) On the 29 March I attended the LSP Greener Theme Group meeting and helped present the Darlington Green Awards to the following winners:
    - (i) Sustainable Transport – Federation of Abbey Schools – Friends of the walking train
    - (ii) Greener Communities – Harrowgate Hill Primary School – habitat creation and food growing
    - (iii) Good Design – Bussey and Armstrong – West Park development
    - (iv) Tackling Climate Change – Sadberge Parish Council – Sadberge Energy Saving project
  - (b) Local Authority Carbon Management Programme - The Council submitted the final draft of the Carbon Management Plan to the Carbon Trust on 30th March. THE CMP will be assessed against the Carbon Trust's criteria and the Council will receive recognition of the work undertaken as part of the LACM process at an awards ceremony in November
  - (c) Green Fair - the 5th Darlington Green Fair took place on Sunday 18th April. The fair continues to grow each year, with over 30 different stallholders attending this year. The Fair was extremely well attended, with members of the public enjoying the entertainment on offer as well as signing up to become Street Champions, becoming Local Motion members and learning more about the new waste contract.
2. The following items relate to initiatives that are contributing to the Climate Change Agenda, details of which are covered in other Portfolio reports.

**Transport**

- a) Tees Valley Bus Network Improvement
- b) North Road Cycle Route Mayfair Road to Bensham Road; Great Burdon to Sadberge Cycle Route; Blackwell Lane to Harewood Terrace Cycle Link
- c) Traffic Management Schemes - Green Lane Resurfacing; South Park Footpath/Cycleway Link
- d) Pedestrian and cycle training activities
- e) Workplace and school travel plans

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