Annual Governance Risk - Environment

This risk is defined within the Annual Governance Statement (AGS) as:

The human impact on our environment and our health through litter and waste minimisation, environmental pollution (land, water and air) and energy consumption.

The scope:

Transport choices and congestion, use of sustainable materials, achieving high levels of recycling of high quality, development standards for new residential areas.

Desirable outcomes:

- Use of solar and renewable energy to reduce CO2 emissions
- Supporting the expanding use of electric vehicles and alternative transport choices
- Maximise recycling and reducing contamination of that which is recycled
- Implementing a single use plastics policy across HDC services

- Maximising impact of green space by investing and expanding green spaces and their bio-diversity
- To influence Parish and Town Councils to develop sustainable neighbourhood plans
- Ensuring new developments are environmentally sustainable
- To understand community ambition for sustainability