

REPORT TO: COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: **24 SEPTEMBER 2009**

HEAD OF SERVICE: HEAD OF ENVIRONMENT

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SUBJECT: LOW CARBON ECONOMY - REGIONAL INFORMATION

PAPERS

WARDS AFFECTED: **ALL**

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To inform and update Members in relation to regional activity and initiatives on the low carbon economy in Yorkshire and Humber and in particular the work of Yorkshire Forward, Government Office (GOYH) and the North Yorkshire Strategic Partnership (NYSP).

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION**

2.1 It is recommended that Members note the report.

3.0 **BACKGROUND**

- 3.1 At the July meeting of this committee Members recommended to Council a range of initiatives to support the achievement of the Council's CO₂ targets.
- 3.2 Attached to this covering report are three papers outlining work across the region to help to reduce CO2 emissions and promote a low carbon economy: Annex A – Low Carbon Economy Update - Yorkshire Forward: Annex B - The Climate Change Challenge for North Yorkshire - GOYH; and Annex C - A partnership approach to climate change - NYSP.
- 3.3 The reports are brought to Members principally for information and help to demonstrate how Ryedale District Council's initiatives relate to a wider regional and sub-regional context. However, if there are any issues arising from the reports that the committee wishes to explore further – either by way of a visit or a presentation – this can be brought to a future meeting.

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