

Action Point No.5 Could the Council provide an update on its nutrient trading proposals – when it intends to take a report to cabinet/committee, and a summary of what this will contain including any future targets/milestones? ✓

Officers intend to report formally to Cabinet on nutrient trading proposals on the 7 September 2026

1. Officers are planning a briefing for **Cabinet towards the end of July** as a lead in so this should form the basis of the formal report to Cabinet.
2. Draft outline of report:
 - Provide a detailed understanding of the Phase 1 County Farm report including an outline the mitigation opportunities available to the Authority (nitrogen and phosphorus credits)
 - Explore what a credit trading scheme (including a charge per credit), linked to mitigation opportunities on the County Farm Estate, could look like.
 - Consider implications for the County Farms Policy
 - Consider the need to prioritise development proposals against which mitigation opportunities may be offered
 - Next phases of the County Farm Report Indicate the scale of the land required for P and N nutrient neutrality
3. A further element of the Cabinet briefing session will place the nutrient neutrality approach (i.e. total mitigation) in the broader context of alternative approaches, including threshold and integrated models. It will also outline potential pathways for transitioning away from nutrient neutrality, together with the associated workstreams and indicative timescales.

Outline of lead in to reporting to 7th September 2026

- Reports required for Teams for Corporate Heads comments (send to Democratic Services to arrange) – 13 August
- Reports to be taken from Teams by Democratic Services for pre-Cabinet agenda – 20 August
- Cabinet pre-meeting = 24 August – 10:30am
- Final edits to be made to reports on Teams for the main agenda by 27 August