# INFORMATION NOTE

Title: St. John's Mitigation and Adaptation Baseline and Background

Reports

Date Prepared: May 20, 2020

**Report To:** Environment and Sustainability Expert Panel

**Councillor and Role:** Councillor Ian Froude, Public Works & Sustainabilty

Ward: Ward 4

#### Issue:

To discuss any feedback on the Energy and GHG Inventory and Climate Profile for the City of St. John's.

#### **Discussion – Background and Current Status:**

The City of St. John's strives to be a Sustainable City today and for future generations. This is a vision expressed in the City of St. John's Strategic Plan. St. John's City Council declared a Climate Emergency on November 4, 2019. On December 18, 2019 the Mayor of the City of St. John's joined the Global Covenant of Mayors. Through these and past actions the City of St. John's has re-enforced its ongoing commitment to be a sustainable city and act to mitigate and adapt to climate change. Building on knowledge and experience the Urban Sustainability Framework (USF) provides a clear picture of what A Sustainable City embodies.

The Sustainability Planning process is formed by a five milestones, which aligns with the Partners for Climate Protection and the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy. Milestone 1 has been completed. Furthermore, steps have been taken by the City to compile the background information that will enable the City and a Multi-stakeholder Working Group to complete Milestone 2. This included:

- 1: Corporate Energy Use and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory (2018)
- 2: Community Energy Use and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory (2018)
- 3: Review of Historical local Climate and Projections "St. John's Climate Profile"

#### **Key Considerations/Implications:**

- 1. Budget/Financial Implications:N/A
- 2. Partners or Other Stakeholders: N/A
- 3. Alignment with Strategic Directions/Adopted Plans: N/A



- 4. Legal or Policy Implications: N/A
- 5. Privacy Implications: N/A
- 6. Engagement and Communications Considerations: N/A
- 7. Human Resource Implications: N/A
- 8. Procurement Implications: N/A
- 9. Information Technology Implications: N/A
- 10. Other Implications: N/A

### **Conclusion/Next Steps:**

Reports have been reviewed by the Experts and the Panel concurs that it is appropriate to use these as the primary source of information to inform the discussions in the next steps of the Sustainability Plan.

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## **Report Approval Details**

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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