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**SUSTAINABLE PLANET**

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## 1. Issue

To provide a report to Council on the Sustainable Planet Working Party.

## 2. Timing

Council meeting, 4 June 2020.

## 3. For Note

Council is invited to note this report.

## 4. Sustainable Planet Working Party

4.1. The IET has embarked on two ambitious strategic themes which will bring together related strands in the organisation, provide strategic direction and maximise their outputs and opportunities. The first two themes that have been chosen are Sustainable Planet and Digital Futures. The Board of Trustees has determined the initial focus of the Sustainable Planet theme should be decarbonisation. This is a crowded space, so it is essential the IET focuses on what can be unlocked through engineering and technology solutions and what role the IET can play in accelerating progress, using all its capabilities.

4.2. One of the first outputs will be a large opinion survey to build a profile of the public's understanding and willingness to adopt technology and trade-off lifestyle changes required to meet climate change targets. The audience for the survey is the general public – the aim in the UK is to get as close as possible to a fully demographic snapshot of opinions and views. Following member feedback which was received on 6 March 2020, we are working with the chosen polling company to incorporate the themes and issues into an effectively constructed survey.

## 5. Risk

No risks have been identified in connection with this paper.

## 6. Resources

No resource issues have been identified in connection with this paper.