

MEETING OF DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

12 JUNE 2017

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & ENERGY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 30TH MARCH, 2017 AT 5.00 P.M.
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

Report of Chairperson – Cllr. Ossian Smyth

The Chairperson, Cllr. Ossian Smyth presided. In attendance were: Cllr. Marie Baker, Cllr. Cormac Devlin, Cllr. Mary Fayne, Cllr. Hugh Lewis, Cllr. Seamus O'Neill, Cllr. Barry Saul, Cllr. Carrie Smyth.

Officials in attendance were: Frank Austin (Director of Infrastructure and Climate Change), Therese Langan (Senior Executive Officer, Corporate, Communications and Governance), Austin Baines, (Senior Executive Officer, Infrastructure and Climate Change) and Joan Deering (Clerical Officer, Infrastructure and Climate Change)

- Hugh Coughlan, Regional Co-Ordinator, Eastern Midlands Regional Waste Office presented the First Annual Report of the Energy Midlands Regional Waste Management Office. Hugh spoke about the key highlights, Pay by Weight Issues; Waste Disposal Capacity Issues; Construction and Demolition Waste challenges; Re-launch of the EC Circular Economy Action Plan. There are 8 strategic objectives under the Plan.

Following questions from Committee members the presentation was **NOTED**.

- Austin Baines, Senior Executive Officer, spoke on the Brown bin/Food Waste Awareness Campaign. Austin informed the Committee Members that the more people use their brown bins for food waste, less waste will go to landfill. DLR through its education and environmental awareness programme will continue to promote food waste reduction.

Following questions from Committee members the presentation was **NOTED**.

- Therese Langan, Senior Executive Officer, Corporate, Communications and Governance Department gave a detailed presentation on the proposed Customer Engagement Centre and Council Chamber; The aim is to improve Customer service for all citizens. The proposal will also deliver efficiencies in Energy Management in line with DLR's Public sector commitment to deliver 33% energy savings by 2020. The proposed Council Chamber will increase the public attendance capacity at Council Meetings 5 fold and increase the efficiency of Council business with new technologies.

Following questions from Committee members the presentation was **NOTED**.

- Austin Baines, Senior Executive Officer, I.C.C. Department gave a presentation on the Litter Plan 2017. Austin spoke about initiatives such as waste minimisation, recycling, road sweeping, litter enforcement, anti – litter and environmental awareness.

Following questions from Committee members the presentation was **NOTED**.

- Austin Baines, Senior Executive Officer, gave an update on Climate Change work plan and advised work is commencing on the preparation of Climate Change Mitigation Plans and an Adaption Framework

Following questions from Committee members the update was **NOTED**.

- The Draft SPC 2017 work programme was presented. Members were invited to bring any further ideas for the programme to the next Strategic Policy Committee meeting.

Following questions from Committee members the Draft Work Programme was **AGREED**.

The meeting concluded at 7 p.m.