Report of Chairperson – Cllr. Ossian Smyth


Officials in attendance were: Frank Austin, Director of Services; Austin Baines, Senior Executive Officer; Sarah Cassidy, Energy Officer and Architect; Joan Deering, Clerical Officer;

Councillor Ossian Smyth advised that this was his first meeting as Chairperson of the SPC committee. Councillor Cormac Devlin resigned as Chair on the 13th June 2016.

- Sarah Cassidy gave a presentation on Energy Management. Sarah informed the committee DLR are required to reduce in-house energy by 33% by 2020. The Energy Team was established in 2010.

  Following a discussion the presentation was NOTED.

- The Climate Change Overview – Introduction to the body of works to be done was presented by Austin Baines.

  Following questions from Committee Members the presentation was NOTED.

- Frank Austin gave a presentation on Pay By Weight. This is a National Programme and is to be introduced countywide on the 1st July 2016. The objective is to encourage recycling and segregation of waste.

  Following questions from Councillors and Committee members mainly relating to Pay By Weight charges the Report was NOTED.

- A Submission by Cllr. Seamus O'Neill – Council's role in flooding and water quality operations and monitoring; will be considered for Items for consideration for future work programme in the Environment, Climate Change and Energy SPC meeting in September 2016.

Meeting concluded at 18.35 pm.