

MEETING OF DÚN LAOGHAIRE-RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

12 October 2020

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE
ACTION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

MEETING HELD REMOTELY ON THURSDAY 18TH JUNE 2020 AT 5.00 P.M.

Cllr. Barry Saul presided. In attendance were: Cllr. Michael Clark, Cllr. Mary Fayne, Cllr. Kate Feeney, Cllr. Hugh Lewis, Cllr. Séafra O'Faoláin, Cllr. Jim O'Leary, Cllr. Una Power, Diarmuid McAree,

SECTORIAL REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Diarmuid McAree, Elizabeth Clooney, Cynthia O'Mahoney. Orla Hogan

Apologies: John Young

Officials in attendance were: Robert Burns, Director of Services, Austin Baines (Senior Executive Officer, Infrastructure, Climate Change & Energy); Joan Deering (Clerical Officer, Infrastructure, Climate Change & Energy)

- The Committee members gave a brief description of their background

- Austin Baines outlined the role of the SPC's and procedures in place for SPC meetings.

- Robert Burns spoke on the impact of Covid 19 in relation to social distancing and road safety and active travel. There are three pillars to DLRs Council approach;

1.Safety

2.Mobility

3.Supporting the local economy

DLR are taking a pro-active approach in the management of safety issues in relation to Covid 19 challenges in the public realm.

Climate Action Regional/National Perspective - CARO

David Dodd, CARO, gave a presentation on Climate Change Regional National Perspective outlining projects on environmental issues and the Adaption and Mitigation approaches to Climate Change.

➤ **DLR Climate Change Action Plan**

This was deferred to a future meeting

➤ **Overview of District Heating and it's Potential - Codema**

John O'Shea, Codema, gave an Overview of District Heating and it's potential. District Heating is more than a heating solution. It provides on-demand hot water and better local air quality. Codema are working with DLR Planning Teams to develop District Heating policy.

Donna Gatland, Chief Executive of Codema, informed members that Codema are working CARO on climate change issues.

- The Chair, Cllr. Saul invited members to submit policies on environmental issues for forthcoming meeting.

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