

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT OF THE CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

A HYBRID MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

ON THURSDAY 20TH MARCH 2025

In Attendance: Cllr. Oisín O'Connor Presided; Cllr. Kazi Ahmed, Cllr. Maurice Dockrell, Cllr. Conor Dowling, Cllr. Martha Fanning, Cllr. Mary Fayne, Cllr. John Hurley, Cllr. Thomas Joseph, Cllr. Tom Kivlehan, Cllr. Hugh Lewis, Cllr. Justin Moylan, Cllr. Eoin O'Driscoll

Colin Brown, Katie Mullen, Ger Corcoran, Tamara Bulat

Apologies: Pierre Kerhascoet, Daithi Devaney

Officials in attendance: from Infrastructure and Climate Change Department; James Phelan, Director of Services, Martina Kehoe, Senior Executive Officer, Richard Fitzpatrick, Climate Action Co-Ordinator, Cynthia O'Mahony, Community Climate Action Officer, Fearghal McCollum, Acting Environmental Awareness Officer, Joan Deering, Clerical Officer

1. Confirmation of Minutes

It was proposed by Councillor M. Fayne, seconded by Councillor H. Lewis, and RESOLVED:

"That the Minutes of the Environment and Climate Action SPC held on the 21st March 2024 be **ADOPTED** and **APPROVED**."

2. Matters arising from the Minutes

A correction to be made under item D) Climate Action Plan 2024 – 2029 update to reflect 4 amendments to actions and not 20244.

3. Business submitted by the Director of Services

Overview of the Climate Action Plan

Richard Fitzpatrick, Climate Action Co-Ordinator, gave a presentation on the Climate Action Plan (CAP) 2024 – 2029. The Plan is made up of 6 Themes and 150 actions.

Following questions from Committee members the Plan was NOTED.

The Chair thanked Richard for his presentation

4. Information submitted by Members for written reply

Councillor M. Dockrell; To ask the Manager to prepare a report to be brought to this Committee and/or a full Council meeting on the feasibility of implementing an urban beekeeping project along the lines of the Bee8 urban keeping project run by the Liberties Community Project.

The reply was **NOTED**.

5. Business referred from Council

No Business

6. Business referred from Corporate Policy Group

No business

7. Correspondence

No business

8. Future Works Programme

The Chair informed the Committee members that field trips can be organised with a view of visiting areas of interest in relation to Climate Action. He invited members to forward suggestions to James Phelan or secretariat.

Suggestions were also invited for matters to be discussed at the June meeting

9. Any Other Business

Cllr. Hurley asked if the SPC could be held in a less formal setting in the Council. J. Phelan responded that an alternative venue will be examined.

J. Phelan asked if Committee members could suggest which Departments could be invited to the SPC to give an update on their actions.

A Committee member brought up the issue of how to deal with Mare's tail in Deansgrange Cemetery. J. Phelan responded that it was a Parks Department issue and would consult with Parks.

10. Conclusion of meeting

The meeting concluded at 18.30

