

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & ENERGY STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 5.00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER

Draft Report of Chairperson – Cllr. Ossian Smyth

The Chairperson, Cllr. Ossian Smyth presided. In attendance were: Councillor Marie Baker, Councillor Jennifer Cuffe, Councillor Cormac Devlin, Councillor Mary Fayne, Councillor Hugh Lewis, Councillor Caron McKinney, Councillor Sorcha Nic Cormaic, Councillor Seamas O'Neill, Councillor Carrie Smyth, Marese Hegarty, Denis Mulvey.

Apologies: Errol Close, Diarmuid McAree.

Officials in attendance were: Frank Austin, Director of Infrastructure and Climate Change; Richard Shakespeare, Director of Municipal Services; Austin Baines, Senior Executive Officer, Gerry Concannor, A/Senior Engineer, Paul Buggy, Senior Executive Engineer; Joe Craig, Senior Executive Engineer; Barry Dempsey, Sports Development Officer; Shane McArdle, Sports Partnership Officer; Teresa Ryder, Assistant Staff Officer.

• Dr. Gerry Wardell, Managing Director of Codema gave a presentation on Climate Change Strategy for the Dublin Region. Codema is Dublin's Energy Agency for Dublin's Local Authorities. Dr. Wardell spoke about the current context and forward planning for the Dublin Region.

Following a discussion the presentation was **NOTED**.

• Rob Hartnett gave a presentation on Space for Play Sports Facilities Strategy. This proposes a new approach to sport's facilities for sports club in the County. The strategy was compiled following an online questionnaire and meetings with the various club representatives. DLR has a finite amount of land available to provide facilities and this remains a significant challenge. Improvements such as an online booking system and a more collaborative approach sharing facilities were proposed.

Following a discussion the presentation was **NOTED**.

• Austin Baines presented a report on the Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy.

Following questions from Committee members the Report was **AGREED**.

The Committee agreed to recommend to the Council that DLR become a signatory to the Covenant of Mayors for Climate Change & Energy and requested that this be brought to the next Council meeting.

• A comprehensive presentation on The Council's Role in Flooding and Water Quality Operations and Monitoring was given by Joe Craig and Paul Buggy.

The Committee thanked Joe and Paul for their input.

Following a discussion the presentation was **NOTED**.

The meeting concluded at 19.00 pm. The next meeting of the Environment, Climate Change and Energy SPC will be held on Thursday 24th November 2016 in the Council Chamber.