

**Comhairle Contae Fingal
Fingal County Council**

Minutes of Climate Action, Biodiversity, Environment Strategic Policy Committee

Tuesday, 27th June, 2023

PRESENT

Attending Remotely:

Councillor David Healy, Councillor Joe Newman, Councillor Pamela Conroy, Councillor Paul Mulville, Councillor Aoibheann Tormey, Seamus McGrath, Edward Stevenson, Joe Hayden Codema, Neil O'Leary Codema

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillor Mary McCamley

The Area Chairperson, Councillor David Healy, Presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

David Storey, Director of Services; John Daly, Senior Engineer; Catherine O'Donovan; Senior Executive Officer, Ronan O'Reilly, Senior Executive Engineer, Hans Visser, Executive Parks Superintendent; Maria Hand, Senior Staff Officer, Noreen Wright, Staff Officer, Gillian Lynch, Assistant Staff Officer

CABE/6/23 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of the Climate Action, Biodiversity, Environment SPC meeting held on Tuesday 28th March 2023

The minutes of the meetings of the 28th of March 2023, were **AGREED**.

The minutes were proposed by Councillor D. Healy and seconded by Councillor J. Newman.

CABE/7/23 (Agenda Item No 2)

Local Authority Climate Action Plan (LACAP) Update

Presentation given by Mr Ronan O'Reilly on the update of the plan. which was followed by discussion and questions from the members. Presentation **NOTED**.

CABE/8/23 (Agenda Item No 3)

District Heating Presentation

Presentation was given by Joe Hayden and Neil O'Leary, Codema on the Blanchardstown District Heating Scheme. Presentation to be circulated to members following meeting. Presentation **NOTED**.

CABE/9/23 (Agenda Item No 4)

Councillor A. Tormey - Biodiversity CRMs

"That the Chief Executive outlines the process through which biodiversity CRMs are responded to and actioned."

Response

Biodiversity CRMs are directed to the Biodiversity Officer for response and are actioned if required.

Proposed: Councillor A. Tormey

Seconded: Councillor D. Healy

Following discussion, it was noted that there are difficulties with CRM items not being reported back to citizens as resolved and also difficulties knowing who to assign an issue to and when an issue is relevant to more than one Department of the Council. It was agreed to refer this issue to the OP&F Committee. **Report noted**

AOB

Councillor Newman requested an update on the Biodiversity Forum meeting which was held on the 22nd of June. Mr Visser read out the minutes of this meeting and shared a presentation which showed the Priority Actions of the Fingal Biodiversity Plan 2023-2026.

The Meeting concluded at 18:05

AREA CHAIRPERSON

DATED