

**Comhairle Contae Fine Gall
Fingal County Council**

Minutes of Marine and Coastal Management Strategic Policy Committee

Thursday, 19th June, 2025

PRESENT

Councillor A. Donnelly
Councillor P. Mulville
Councillor C. Boland
Ms. Alison Regan
Mr. Charles Sargent

Councillor D. Mulligan
Councillor C. Johnston

Ms. Maire O'Brien

Apologies for inability to attend were received for Councillor G. Maguire

The Area Chairperson, Councillor A. Donnelly, presided.

OFFICIALS PRESENT

Catherine O'Donovan, Senior Executive Officer, John Daly, Senior Engineer, Grainne Carroll, Administrative Officer, David Leslie, Senior Communications Officer, Jennifer Muscheidt, Environmental Awareness Officer, Maria Hand, Senior Staff Office, Anne Browning, Statkraft, Shane O'Donohue, Statkraft, Erin Snaith, Statkraft, Lisa Enright Statkraft

Sunni Bean, Reporter from Dublin Inquirer also joined the meeting.

MCM/43/25 (Agenda Item No 1)

Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of the Minutes of Marine and Coastal Management SPC meeting held on the 20th March 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th March 2025 were agreed. The minutes were proposed by Councillor P. Mulville and seconded by Mr. Charles Sargent.

MCM/44/25 (Agenda Item No 2)

Presentation on the Shore to Sea Project

A presentation was given on the Shore to Sea project, a litter awareness campaign which highlights the impact of litter in particular cigarette butts, on marine life. The presentation was given by Jennifer Muscheidt, Environmental

Awareness Officer, Environment, Climate Action, Active Travel & Sports Department.

The presentation was **NOTED**.

MCM/45/25 (Agenda Item No 3)

Presentation on Off-Shore Windfarms

A presentation was given by Anne Browning, Statkraft updating the members on the NISA Offshore Wind Energy project (North Irish Sea Array). This was followed by a discussion and questions from the members. A copy of the presentation was requested to be forwarded to all members.

The presentation was **NOTED**.

MCM/46/25 (Agenda Item No 4)

Marine and Coastal Management SPC 2025 Works Programme

Councillor Donnelly requested a discussion be held regarding the Works Programme for 2025 and to agree a number of projects/policies on the workplan for prioritisation in 2025. Following a discussion amongst the members on a number of topics it was agreed to look at policies around Coastal Erosion and Flooding. It was suggested that a follow-up presentation on the prevention of Coastal Erosion be made to this committee at the next SPC meeting.

The item was **NOTED**.

AOB

Grainne Carroll advised members of a Public Engagement Event – Blue Flag for Balbriggan beach which is being held on Thursday 26th June, 7-9pm at the Bracken Court Hotel, Balbriggan.

The Meeting concluded at 17:59.

CHAIRPERSON

DATED