

AGENDA

CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Wednesday 12th May 2021

10am – 12noon (2 hours maximum)

Venue: MS Teams

- 1. To note the draft Minutes of the Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee held on 10th February 2021 & Special Meeting of 15th April 2021 (copies attached)
- 2. To consider any matters arising from the minutes
- 3. To note finalised Workplan (copy attached) (Peter Hamilton, Chair)
- 4. To note proposed appointment of a Graduate to progress climate activation initiatives in the community and to consider the scope of this work (Paula O'Rourke, Climate Action Officer)
- 5. To note submission made to KCC County Development Plan from the Climate Action Linkage Group (copy attached)
- 6. To receive update on proposed guidelines for the forthcoming Climate Action Plan per Climate Amendment Bill (Paula O'Rourke, Climate Action Officer)
- 7. To consider approach to Decarbonising Zone Implementation Plan (Alan Dunney, Regional Coordinator)
- 8. To receive presentation from Lorraine Benson, National Peatlands Council regarding a proposal to create a National Peatlands Park in County Kildare
- 9. To receive update from Energy Management Team (Peter Mulhern, Energy Efficiency Officer)

10. Notice of question:

- a) Glyphosate: Can an update on the work to remove glyphosate be provided to the SPC. What is the current status of the pilots and is there an anticipated date for a countywide ban? (Judith Browne) [Paula O'Rourke, Climate Action Officer]
- b) Hedgerows: Can an update be provided to the SPC on ongoing work to ensure hedgerows are not cut after March 1st and what practices are in place to monitor hedge

cutting activity and increase awareness of the biodiversity values of hedgerows. (Judith Browne) [Paula O'Rourke, Climate Action Officer]

11. To note date of next meeting -8^{th} September at 10am, arrangements to be confirmed

NB: Attach

Draft Minutes of Meetings of 10th February 2021 and 15th April 2021 Finalised SPC workplan
PPN submission
Main provisions of Climate (Amendment) Bill