

AGENDA

CLIMATE ACTION STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Wednesday 8th July 2020

10am – 12noon (2 hours maximum)

Council Chamber, Kildare County Council

The agenda for the meeting of the Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee to be held in the Council Chamber, Level 2 Áras Chill Dara, Naas on Wednesday 8th July 2020 at 10am is set out below:

1. To note the Minutes of the Climate Action Strategic Policy Committee held on 11th March 2020 (copy attached)
2. To consider any matters arising from the minutes
3. Declarations of Interest
4. To further consider work programme for 2020 (summary of key climate related issues from draft programme of government attached)
5. To receive a presentation from Paul Regan of Eastern and Midlands Climate Action Regional Office on Sustainable Energy Communities
6. To consider draft guidance as to how the Municipal Districts can shape/influence community involvement in climate action (currently work in progress by CARO).
7. To receive an update on the Midlands Just Transition Plan
8. To consider Notices of Question:

7.1 Dr Judith Browne, PPN Representative

The Climate Action Linkage Group request that the questions asked below be answered at the next Strategic Policy Committee meeting on 8/7/20:

Please confirm if Kildare County Council has applied for a share of funding offered by the DTTAS/National Transport Authority to develop walking and cycling infrastructure as a result of social distancing requirements and altered travel patterns.

If not, please provide (1) an estimate of when an application will be lodged, (2) an indicative value of the funding sought and (3) if the views of stakeholders such as the Public Participation Network will be taken into account.

If yes, please provide (1) information on the level of funding applied for, (2) the projects identified to be completed, (3) an update on the progress of identified projects to date and (4) whether the views of stakeholders such as the Public Participation Network will be sought in the identifying of these projects.

Reference: <https://irishcycle.com/2020/05/28/councils-around-ireland-told-to-apply-for-walking-and-cycling-funding/>

7.2 Ms Ali Sheridan, Environmental/Conservation Representative

- Glyphosate Update -
 - a request for an update on the glyphosate alternative trials in Kildare
 - whether the budget for alternatives has been drawn down by each MD
 - when we will know the results
 - when a decision will be made on whether to expand the trial to a county level.

9. To note date of next meeting: Wednesday 7th October 2020 at 10am – Council Chamber

NB: Attach

Minutes of Meeting of 11th March 2020

Summary of key climate related issues from draft programme of government attached

Corporate documentation re COVID Protocols