

**CLIMATE ACTION AND PLANNING
STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Minutes of Climate Action and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meeting
held via Microsoft Teams on Wednesday, 21st October 2020
at 3.00 p.m.**

PRESIDING: Councillor Gerard Hagan, Chairperson.

PRESENT: Councillor - Uruemu Adejinmi, Garry Murtagh, Peggy Nolan.
Andrew McHugh, Francesca Pawelczyk, Anna Delaney

APOLOGIES Sharon Devlin
Marcella O Connor

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. John Brannigan, Director of Services.
Mr. Tom Murtagh, Senior Engineer.
Mr. Donall Mac An Bheatha – Senior Planner
Ms. Nora O’Farrell – Senior Executive Officer
Ms. Lorraine McKee – Environment
Ms. Aoife Moore – Regeneration

MEETINGS
ADMINISTRATOR: Claire McNabola (Acting)

ADOPTION OF MINUTES.

On the proposal of Councillor Garry Murtagh seconded by Mr Andrew McHugh, it was unanimously agreed to adopt Minutes of Climate Action and Planning Strategic Policy Committee meeting held on the 21st July 2020, as circulated.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES.

Cllr Garry Murtagh proposed the question that following the outcome of the Presentation on the Uses of Lanesboro Power Station, had anything been identified? John Brannigan advised that there was no definite plan that everyone was very anxious that an alternative use was found.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

None

CEMETERIES – PROPOSAL WITH REGARD TO (A) COLUMBARIUM WALL AT BALLYMACORMACK AND (B) PRICING FOR THE USE OF THIS NEW FACILITY TOGETHER WITH REVISED PRICING FOR BURIAL PLOTS.

Tom Murtagh gave an overview of both proposals in detail.

Cllr Peggy Nolan – Queried the price per plot? Tom confirmed price for a single plot currently stands at €250 which is very low when compared with other counties, the proposed change would mean this would increase to €400. Cllr Nolan asked Tom to clarify if a plot could be purchased in advance. Tom advised that as per the Bye Laws, it wasn't possible. The proposals discourage the purchase of triple plots. The experience from Ballymacormack Cemetery is that many triple plots remain unused after many years as generally just one or two plots of the three are used.

Francesca Pawelczyk, asked if consideration had ever been given to a “Green Burial facility” in the County, or if any request had been submitted for one? John Brannigan advised that there had been no requests but it is something that could possibly be considered

Cllr Peggy Nolan proposed both items and they were seconded by Francesca Pawelczyk”

PRESENTATION ON EPA WATER QUALITY REPORT 2019.

Tom Murtagh presented the EPA Water Quality Report and answered any questions that was raised by the Committee Members

PRESENTATION RE. PRE-DRAFT COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021 – 2027.

Donall Mac An Bheatha gave a high level overview of the Pre-Draft County Development Plan 2021-2027. Andrew McHugh complemented Donall for the very informative presentation and complemented him and his team for all the hard work that has gone in to the Draft.

Donall answered and addressed any queries or questions raised by the Committee Members


REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS - TIME OF MEETING –

On the proposal of Cllr Peggy Nolan and seconded by Francesca Pawelczyk Climate Action and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meetings will commence at 3.00 P.M.

NEXT MEETING

3rd February 2021

This concluded the business of the meeting.

Signed: 
Claire McNabola,
A/Meetings Administrator.

**Confirmed and adopted at Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on the
3rd February 2021.**

Signed: _____
Chairperson.