

COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS
SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



Minutes of Environment Public Realm & Climate Change SPC Meeting held on 3rd May 2022

Venue: SDCC Council Chamber and MS Teams Meeting

In attendance:

Elected Members

Councillor David McManus (Chair)
Councillor Madeleine Johansson (Teams)
Councillor Dermot Richardson (Teams)
Councillor Guss O'Connell
Councillor Francis Timmons

Sectoral Members

Ms. Una Ruddock
Mr. Donie Anderson
Ms. Deirdre Mooney (Teams)

Officials

Teresa Walsh, Director of Services
Leo Magee, Senior Engineer (Teams)
Suzanne Furlong, Senior Parks Superintendent (Teams)
Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer
Fiona Hendley, Administrative Officer
Michael Heffernan, Senior Executive Engineer
Anne O'Gorman, Administrative Officer

Guests

Hugh Coughlan (DCC)
Dave O' Brien (EHO)

Apologies

Darby Mullen, Senior Executive Engineer

Councillor David McManus (Chair) welcomed those in attendance in the Council Chamber and on Microsoft Teams.

Item 1: Minutes of Environment SPC meeting held on 9th February 2022

The [minutes](#) of Environment SPC meeting held on 9th February 2022 were proposed by Councillor McManus, seconded by Councillor Timmons, and agreed.

Item 2: National Waste Management Action Plan for a Circular Economy

Hugh Coughlan, Eastern Midlands Waste Region presented an [update](#) and [presentation](#) to the committee.

Ms. Ruddock and Councillors Timmons, Johansson and O'Connell raised queries on the report. Hugh Coughlan responded to the queries raised.

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 3: Environmental Noise Action Plan 2018 – 2023

Dave O'Brien, Principal Environmental Health Officer presented the [report](#) to the committee.

Councillor O'Connell raised a query on the report. Dave O'Brien, Principal Environmental Health Officer responded to the query raised

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 4: Update on Waste Management Plan/WERLA Priorities

The [Report](#) was available to all members to view separately. There were no queries.

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 5: Initial Review of Burial Ground Strategy

Fiona Hendley, Administrative Officer presented a [report](#) on the Initial Review of Burial Ground Strategy

Councillor Timmons welcomed the review and he and Ms. Ruddock raised queries on the report. Fiona Hendley, Administrative Officer responded to the queries raised.

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 6: Local Authority EV Charging Strategy

There were apologies from Darby Mullen, Senior Executive Engineer.

The [Report](#) was available to all members to view separately. Teresa Walsh, Director of Services was available to respond to any queries. There were no queries.

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 7: Climate Change Action Plan 2019-2024

The [Report](#) was available to all members to view separately. Teresa Walsh, Director of Services was available to respond to any queries. There were no queries.

The Update was **NOTED**

Item 8: Parks and Open Spaces Strategy

Suzanne Furlong, Senior Parks Superintendent presented a [report](#) to the committee.

Councillor Timmons acknowledged the great work taking place in the Clondalkin Area and had queries on the report.

Suzanne Furlong, Senior Parks Superintendent responded to the queries raised.

The Report was **NOTED**

Item 9: Sports Pitch Strategy Update

Suzanne Furlong, Senior Parks Superintendent presented an [update](#) to the committee.

The Update was **NOTED**

Item 10: Any Other Business

Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer advised that she would circulate the EWCC and LUPT Biodiversity Action Plan to all members of the Committee once it was available.

Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer advised that the co-option of the replacement for Councillor Suzanne McEaney, Green Party will take place at the next Council Meeting

Councillor McManus and Councillor Timmons thanked Ms. Una Ruddock for all her work and time over the past number of years on the Committee as this will be her last meeting.

Teresa Walsh, Director of Services also thanked Ms. Ruddock for her input and work on the Committee and that it was greatly appreciated. Teresa Walsh extended an invitation to Ms. Ruddock to accompany the Committee on their proposed visit to the Cloughjordan Ecovillage when it takes place.

The meeting concluded at 7.04 p.m.