

COMHAIRLE CONTAE ÁTHA CLIATH THEAS
SOUTH DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL



Minutes of Environment, Public Realm & Climate Change SPC Meeting held on 3rd February 2026.

Venue: Council Chamber & online (MS Teams)

In attendance:

Elected Members

Councillor David McManus (Chair)
Councillor Francis Timmons
Councillor Dermot Richardson
Councillor Roisin Mannion
Councillor Lynn McCrave
Councillor Linda de Courcy

Sectoral Members

Mr. Benedict Chukwurah

Officials

Sharon Conroy, Senior Executive Officer
Anne O' Gorman, Senior Executive Officer
Juliene Helbert, Senior Engineer
Damien McNulty, Senior Engineer
Lorcan Brennan, Acting Senior Engineer
Fionnghuala Ryan, Climate Action Coordinator
Damien Wildes, Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer
David Morrissey, Administrative Officer
Lorraine Beirne, Environmental Awareness Officer

Apologies

Councillor Trevor Gilligan
Mr. Peter Lantry
Ms. Teresa Walsh

The Chair welcomed all in attendance, in the Chamber and online.

Item 1 Draft Minutes of Environment SPC meeting held on 3rd November 2025

The [minutes](#) of the Environment SPC meeting, held on 3rd November 2025 were proposed by Cllr Timmons and seconded by Cllr Mannion. The minutes were agreed.

Item 2 Review of Litter Management Plan (LMP) 2023-2025 & LMP 2026-2029

Mr David Morrissey, Administrative Officer, gave a [presentation](#) on the review of the Litter Management Plan (LMP) 2023-2025 & on the new LMP 2026-2029.

Cllr Timmons & Cllr De Courcy had queries in relation to bin companies, big belly bins, pizza & vape shops, dog fouling and pizza bins. The manager responded to the queries.

The Report was **NOTED**.

Item 3 Draft Tree Policy Living with Trees 2026-2031

Damien Wildes, Senior Executive Parks and Landscape Officer gave a [presentation](#) on the Draft Tree Policy Living with Trees 2026-2031.

Cllr Timmons and Cllr McManus had comments and questions on tree planting in particular outside residential homes, trees that have been knocked down and survey of estates and planting the right trees in the right place. The manager responded to the queries.

The Report was **NOTED**.

Item 4 Climate Action Plan 2024-2029 - report

Ms Fionnghuala Ryan, Climate Action Coordinator presented a [report](#) on the update of the climate action plan 2024-2029.

Cllr De Courcy, Cllr Mannion, Cllr Timmons and Benedict Chukwurah had comments and questions in relation to solar panels, timeline for work interdepartmentally in relation to planning re rainfall to prevent floods, water tanks in new houses, target emissions and air quality.

The manager responded to the queries.

The Report was **NOTED**.

Item 5 A.O.B

Cllr Timmons asked could the subgroup be set up for the Circular Economy. This is in relation to the Litter Management Plan.

Cllr De Courcy requested that a researcher attend the SPC to present on their findings on District Heating.

There was no further business.

The Chair, Cllr McManus concluded the meeting at 18.58