

**To Each Member of the
Environment Strategic Policy Committee**

Progress Report:

At its meeting on 23rd September 2015, the Environment SPC agreed that a sub-committee should be established to develop a new Climate Change Strategy for the City for the period 2016 – 2020 in compliance with EU directives and National policy / legislation. The sub-committee is chaired by Cllr. Claire Byrne and the other members are:

Cllr. Michael O'Brien

Dr. Gerry Wardell, Codema

Mr. Nicholas Cloake, Dublin Docklands Business Forum

Ms. Helen McNamara, Environment & Transportation Dept. DCC

The Sub- Committee has met on four occasions since it was established - on the 30.11.2015, 21.12.2015, 25.01.2016 and 29.02.2016. The key activities undertaken by the sub-committee to date have been:

- Terms of Reference for the committee drafted and agreed.
- Climate Change Strategy for Dublin City 2008-2012 reviewed.
- Presentations received from key personnel on main topic areas for new strategy:
 - Development Plan** – Myles Farrell, Senior Executive Planner, DCC
 - Traffic** – Mary Hussey, Senior Executive Engineer, DCC
 - Biodiversity and Parks** – Maryann Harris, Senior Executive Parks Superintendent
 - Public Transportation/Road** – David King, Head of Public Transport Investment , National Transport Authority.
- Dublin local authorities contacted to consider benefits of a regional strategy.

There has been a positive response from the other Dublin local authorities to a regional approach. Following discussions with Codema, it was agreed that a high level Climate Change Strategy for the Dublin Region 2016-2030 would be completed in 2016 with more detailed Climate Change Action Plans being developed in 2017/2018 for each authority. The preparation of the Strategy will be carried out by Codema with input as necessary for the relevant personnel in the local authorities and will be funded through the core funding provided by the councils to Codema in 2016. A draft strategy plan for this proposal is attached and has been circulated to Director of Services in the other Dublin authorities.

The sub-committee recommends that the SPC approve the draft strategy plan and agrees that the membership of the sub-committee can be extended to include personnel from within and without the City Council with expertise in areas relevant to the new Climate Change Strategy.

Cllr. Claire Byrne
Chair

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Strategy Outline

Shared Vision

- Statement of **shared vision** and/or **mission statement** for Dublin

Overview

- Detail the **context and purpose** of the Strategy
- Reference relevant **EU and national** targets and legislation in the area of climate change, as well as links with other local authority plans (e.g. Corporate Plans, Development Plans)
- Identify **opportunities**, including the economic benefits, of a Climate Strategy for Dublin

Common Targets

- Identify **common high level targets** under the Strategy themes -Energy, Planning, Transport, Biodiversity, Waste Management
- Targets to be informed by **EU and national requirements**

Implementation Plan

- Develop common templates for use by each local authority for their **Action Plan**, including a section for identification of local authority specific **mitigation and adaptation actions**
- **Annual Statement** to Minister for the Environment
- Five yearly **Action Plan Review** carried out by local authority
- Five yearly **Strategy Review** carried out by Strategy Steering Group

Governance

- Outline **Strategy Steering Group Members** and their role
- Outline Local Authority **Working Group Members** and their role
- Identify **strategy approval mechanisms** for each local authority
- Escalation measures?

Finance

- **Preparation of Strategy** included in annual contribution *to Codema
- **Data Gathering** for Fingal and DLR included in annual contribution to Codema. Ongoing energy monitoring for DCC and SDCC included in annual contribution to Codema
- **Potential additional costs** (e.g. publicity, printing) may apply
- *Annual Contribution to Codema also covers other work including Codema Annual Report and SEAI Public Sector Report

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Timeline

2016

Climate Strategy for Dublin Region Published



Five Year Progress Reviews

Action Plans reviewed & updated

2022 2027



2030

Targets Achieved 2050



2017

Action Plans for four Dublin Councils
Drafted & Agreed



2028

Climate Strategy for Dublin Region
Review



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2016 & 2017 Milestones

2016	Strategy	Action Plans
February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agree Strategy format and timeframes [SG] 	
March/April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Codema to liaise with 4 local authorities to develop shared vision and mission statement [Codema] Background research for Strategy to be undertaken [Codema] Establish Working Groups in each LA with appropriate representation across relevant Departments [SG] First draft of Strategy to be prepared [Codema] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commence gathering baseline data for Fingal and DLR with a view to preparing Action Plan targets & objectives for 2017 [Codema]- including Mitigation and Adaptation Measures
May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Strategy to be issued to the Steering Group and local authority working groups for review [Codema/SG] 	
June/ July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendments to be made to draft Strategy (if required) following review by Steering Group and local authority Working Groups [Codema] Draft Strategy to be issued to the Steering Group/ each local authority for pre-consultation approval [Codema/SG] Upcoming consultation period to be agreed/advertised [SG] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional resources deployed to ongoing data gathering exercise [Codema]
August/ September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation period (4 – 6 weeks, timeframe TBC) [Codema] 	
October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review submissions received during consultation period [Codema/SG] Amendments to be made to draft Strategy (if required) [Codema] 	
November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strategy to be approved/adopted by the 4 local authorities and [SG/LAs] 	
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publish Strategy and engage Public communication of Strategy [SG/LAs] 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalise baseline data for use in Action Plans [Codema]
2017	Strategy	Action Plans
January/March		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify key mitigation and adaption actions in place and additional measures required [LA/Codema]
April		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Action Plan(s) Completed [LA/Codema]
May/August		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Action Plan(s) to be circulated to each local authority for comment and review [LA] Amend draft Plans following review Public consultation Plan agreed [LA]
September		Commence public consultation
October		Review submissions on drafts
November		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publish Plans Preparation of Annual Statement to Minister (if applicable) [LA/Codema]

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2016 & 2017 Milestones

Responsibility: SG – Steering Group; LA – Local Authority; Codema - Codema