

STATEMENT OF OUTCOMES

CLIMATE ACTION, BIODIVERSITY AND ENVIRONMENT SPC

Date: 9th July 2020

Location: Zoom

Name Of Committee:

Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment

PPN Representative:

Michelle Hayes, Solicitor - Environmental Trust Ireland

- Agenda:**
1. Minutes of previous meeting
 2. Director's Update
 3. Presentation from Planning and Environment on Waste Enforcement Activities 2019
 4. Update on European Green Leaf award
 5. Consideration of parking places draft bye-laws for Metropolitan District
 6. Consideration of parking places draft bye-laws for Newcastlewest
 7. Consideration of parking places draft bye-laws for Cappamore Kilmallock
 8. Motion by Cllr. Conor Sheehan - banning fuel fires in homes for one night in late Spring 2020 to combat poor air quality
 9. Motion by Cllr. Sean Hartigan - Review tender process on weed control re herbicide applications
 10. Motion by Cllr. Michael Sheahan re provision of toilet facility at Castletroy Public park for park users and visitors similar to those in Shelbourne Park, People's Park and Mungret Park
 11. Motion by Cllr. Michael Sheahan that OPW advance Annacotty and Mountshannon Road Flood Alleviation Scheme as stand alone project similar to Castleconnell
 12. Motion by Cllr. Conor Sheehan re writing to Minister for Agriculture to establish animal cruelty register
 13. Motion by Cllr Sasa Novak to introduce litter bin tagging system including dog waste bins

AGENDA ITEM RELEVANT FOR DISCUSSION:

Item No.	Discussion	Action	Input / Influence of PPN Representative
2	Updates on correspondence with OPW re River Deel, other local authorities re waste collection, update on mgt plan re Westfields Wetlands		
3.	Presentation on litter related prosecutions, dog fouling, waste collection, anti-dumping		
4.	Update on European Green Leaf and Grassland Management policy, delayed grass-cutting, Let it Bee programme		
8.	Cllr Conor Sheahan Motion to ban fires led to considerable discussion. Concerns were raised by MH and Cllrs in relation to impact. It was disputed by Cllrs that air quality was currently poor. Council official confirmed air quality improvement to European norms. Cllrs expressed concern at banning, impact on privacy within homes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion amended 2. Word 'Ban' removed. 3. Confirmed by Council that unenforceable. 4. Amended Motion to go to full Council meeting 	<p>Expressed concerns on impact of mandatory ban on vulnerable, sick and elderly. Asked for impact assessment on vulnerable and disadvantaged. Potential for embarrassment at being singled out. Referred to weather conditions and "Beas from the East" in March 2018 etc.</p>
9.	Motion by Cllr. Hartigan on tender process and herbicide use, Council responded that review being currently conducted.		

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10.	Motion for public toilet in Castletroy, Park similar to Mungret, Shelbourne Park, People's Park. Council official stated cost of public toilet was €26,000 rental per year plus VAT. No Budgetary provision in current year.	Council to look at cost options	1. Seconded Motion. 2. Queried if cost could be reduced by outright purchase. 3. Asked if possible to obtain cost options
11.	Motion re stand alone Flood Alleviation Scheme in Annacotty and Mountshannon Road similar to Castleconnell scheme. Discussion on boundaries, EIA assessment and if scheme could be separated from city scheme. Council official referred to Senior Counsel's opinion on separation of schemes.	Council to provide copy of Senior Counsel's Opinion through law agents	Queried why scheme can't be separated out as a stand alone scheme. Requested copy of Senior Counsel's Opinion and reasoning
12.	Council response to Motion indicating no national animal cruelty register	Council to write to Minister seeking register	
13.	Council response to Motion of Cllr. Novak re litter bin tagging and dog waste bins indicating review currently being carried out and that budgetary considerations an issue, including cost of DNA analysis of dog faeces.		

Date of Next Meeting: 13th October 2020

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Signature:



Michelle Hayes, Solicitor