CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COUNCIL

19th July 2017

Climate Change Advisory Council welcomes the publication of the National Mitigation Plan.

The Climate Change Advisory Council welcomes the launch of the National Mitigation Plan by Minister Denis Naughten. The Council acknowledges the importance of the Plan in laying the foundation for Ireland to transition to a low-carbon and environmentally sustainable economy in 2050.

On the 12th July, the Council formally submitted their Periodic Review Report 2017 to Minister Naughten in line with the requirements of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015. The Periodic Review Report will be launched on the 26th July 2017.

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Editor Notes
The Climate Change Advisory Council is an independent, statutory body established under the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015. Its role includes the provision of advice to Government on national policy relating to climate change. It was formally established in January 2016.

The Periodic Review and Report is mandated under Section 13 of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development Act 2015.

The Council submitted the Periodic Review Report 2017 to Minister Naughten on the 12th July 2017. Due to the timings of the release of the National Mitigation Plan, the Council’s Periodic Review Report does not comment on the finalised version of the National Mitigation Plan. The Periodic Review Report will be launched on the 26th July 2017.

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