



### **Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee**

<b>Date of meeting:</b>	<b>30.05.2019</b>
<b>Agenda item:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Title of paper:</b>	<b>1.1 DRAFT Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee Minutes 28.02.2019</b>
<b>Purpose:</b>	<b>Minutes from the Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee 28.02.2019</b>
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<b>Recommendation:</b>	<b>Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee to adopt minutes</b>

## **Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee Meeting - DRAFT MINUTES**

**Date:** 28.02.2019

**Start time:** 10:30

**Venue:** Video conference

**Present:** Mark Adamson, OPW; Laura Burke, EPA; Prof. John FitzGerald, Chair; Ciarán Hayes, CCMA; Dr Conor Murphy, Maynooth University; Eoin Moran, Met Éireann; Robert Devoy, UCC.

**Apologies:** Dr Ina Kelly, HSE.

**Secretariat:** Dr Sabrina Dekker, Dr Margaret Desmond, Caroline Donnellan, Phillip O'Brien, Sean O'Leary, Dr Tadhg O'Mahony, Harriet Walsh.

### **1. Opening of Meeting**

#### **1.1 Minutes for the Climate Change Advisory Council Adaptation Committee Meeting 13.12.2018**

The minutes of the Committee meeting held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of December 2018 were signed by the Chair.

#### **1.2 Adoption of Agenda**

The agenda for the meeting was adopted.

#### **1.3 Disclosure of Interests**

No disclosures to report.

#### **1.4 Chair's Report of Activities**

The Chair met with SEAI to discuss Heat. The Chair met with Devenish Nutrition to discuss their research on emissions mitigation within the agriculture sector. The Chair met with the Farmers Journal to discuss research and communication of mitigation options at farm level. The Chair met with Static Hydro to discuss their research and development of energy solutions. The Chair also met with Kilkenny Three Counties Energy Agency. The Chair met with the Secretary General of the Department of Communications, Climate Action and

Environment. The Chair also presented at the National Biodiversity Conference in Dublin Castle.

## **2. Council Update**

The Committee was updated on the outcomes of the last Climate Change Advisory Council meeting.

The Committee heard that the Council agreed to raise the profile of adaptation in the Annual Review.

The Committee was made aware of the Council's plans to host a seminar on the topic of decarbonisation of the transport sector.

The Committee was informed that the Council decided to give additional consideration to Heat in the Work Programme for 2019/2020.

Finally, the Committee heard that the Council was updated on its discussion of agriculture and land use.

## **3. Standing Item Sectoral and Local Authority Adaptation Plans**

The Committee discussed the upcoming sectoral and local authority plans.

The Committee discussed approaches to the draft biodiversity adaptation plan which is out for public consultation. It was agreed that two members of the Committee would assess the plan and report back via email.

Following on from this, the Committee noted the challenges faced by cross sectoral plans. The Committee discussed the need for an integrated approach in order for these plans to be successful.

The Committee agreed to review some of the draft Dublin Local Authority climate action plans to inform future work in this area for the Committee.

## **4. Agreed Outcomes and AOB**

New Secretariat member, Seán O'Leary was welcomed.

The Committee discussed the forthcoming All of Government Plan.

The Committee discussed meeting with the Department of Communication, Climate Action and Environment to discuss developments in adaptation policy.

The relationship between planning for major infrastructures and adaptation was raised.

Progress on flood forecasting by Met Éireann and OPW was raised.

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