



DO: GACH BALL DE CHOMHAIRLE CATHRACH AGUS CONTAE PHORT LÁIRGE

TO: EACH MEMBER OF WATERFORD CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

Re: Recommendation from Environment, Climate Action & biodiversity SPC

A Mhéara agus a Chomhairle,

Report from the December meeting of the Environment, Climate Action and Biodiversity SPC

At the meeting of the SPC held on December 16th 2021 the following motion from the PPN was considered –

“That Waterford City and County Council apply the principles of Just Transition of inclusiveness and fairness as a cornerstone of the transition to a decarbonized city and county to ensure the equitable distribution of the costs and benefits of decarbonization for all. That the SPC recognizes that social dialogue between workers, unions, employers, government and community is an essential part of a Just Transition and that the Council considers that all stakeholders, business, workers, the community and the marginalized must be central to the transition as co-creators of change and not just participants”

The motion was discussed and it was agreed by the SPC that, from a policy perspective, the Council would adopt the principles of Just Transition and that this should form part of Council core policy in the implementation of its climate action plans as it moves towards the decarbonization of energy in Waterford.

For information the principles of Just Transition in progressing the Climate Action agenda have been enshrined in both EU and National policy and are aimed at ensuring that the particular needs of those who may be adversely affected by the impact of the transition to a low carbon society are recognized and addressed.

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Fergus Galvin,
Director of Services
Roads, Water & Environment.