

Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment

Strategic Policy Committee Work Programme 2025-2029

Introduction

The Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee has been constituted in accordance with the Strategic Policy Committee (“SPC”) Scheme 2024-2029 adopted by Limerick City County Council (“the Council”) on the 25th of November 2024.

Function of this SPC

The function of an SPC is to consider matters connected with the formulation, development, monitoring and review of policy in relation to the functions of the SPC and the Local Authority and to advise the Authority on those matters. (Local Government Act 2001, Section 41).

The Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee

Membership of the Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee comprises of the following Council members and sectoral representatives.

Sectoral Representatives	Pillar
Sean Lavery	Agriculture/Farming
Barry Murphy	Agriculture/Farming
Conor Joy	Business/ Commercial
Michelle Gallagher	Business/Commercial
Seán Mcilpatrick	Environment
Caillum Hedderman	Community/Voluntary
Bruce Harper	Community/Voluntary
Vacant	Environment

Elected Members	Political Party
Cllr Joe Leddin - Chairperson	Labour
Cllr Kieran O'Hanlon	Fianna Fail
Cllr P.J. Carey	Sinn Fein
Cllr Bridie Collins	Fianna Fail
Cllr Joe Pond	Fine Gael
Cllr Sarah Kiely	Fine Gael
Cllr Francis Foley	Fianna Fail
Cllr Noreen Stokes	Fine Gael
Cllr Tommy Hartigan	Independent Ireland
Cllr Sean Hartigan	Green Party
Cllr Liam Galvin	Fine Gael
Cllr Elena Secas	Labour
Cllr Eddie Ryan	Fine Gael
Cllr John Sheahan	Fine Gael
Cllr Shane Hickey O'Mara	Social Democrats
Cllr Frankie Daly	Independent

Council officials working within remit of the Climate Action, Biodiversity & Environment Strategic Policy Committee

Name	Position
Kieran Lehane	Director of Service, Environment, Climate Action and Fire
Aidan Finn	Senior, Engineer, Environment, Rural Water & Climate Change
Sonja Reidy	Senior Executive Officer, Environment, Climate Action & Fire
Phillipa King	Regional Waste Plan Coordinator
Sinead Hourigan	SPC Administrator
Oliver Enright	SPC Admin Support

Multi Annual Work Plan for Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Support Strategic Policy Committee, 2026-29

Policy Area	Policy Area	Expected Outcomes	Timeframe	Notes
Waste and Litter	Litter Management Plan 2024-2026	Review and Update Litter Plan with targeted area-based measures	2027	Litter Management Plan
	Segregation, Storage and Presentation of Household and Commercial Waste Bye Laws	Update New Draft Byelaws	2027	Storage and Presentation of Waste Byelaws
Climate Action	Limerick Climate Action Plan	Monitoring and Review Plan Implementation and Objectives.	2026	Limerick Climate Action Plan Climate Action Plan 2025
	Energy Policy	Consider Limerick Energy Policy	2026-29	
Water Quality	Water Action Plan (2024)	Updated Draft Water Action Plan	2026-2027	water-action-plan-2024.pdf
Parks	Public Parks Bye Laws	Draft New Parks Bye Laws approved	2026 - 2027	Limerick City Public Parks Bye Laws 2010 signed.pdf
Cemeteries	Cemeteries Bye Laws	Draft New Cemeteries Bye Laws Approved	2026/ 2027	LCCC Cemeteries Bye Laws 2015.pdf