NOTICE OF THE PREPARATION OF THE MEATH COUNTY COUNCIL DRAFT CLIMATE ACTION PLAN 2024-2029

On display from 17 November 2023

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Notice is hereby given that **Meath County Council** has, pursuant to Section 16 of the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, prepared a Draft Climate Action Plan 2024-2029.

The Draft Plan is accompanied by an Environmental Report, prepared in accordance with the European Communities (Environmental Assessment of Certain Plans and Programmes) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 435 of 2004 as amended by S.I. 200 of 2011) for Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA) Natura Impact Report, pursuant to Article 6 of the Habitats Directive 92/43/EEC.

The Draft Climate Action Plan sets out how the local authority can promote a range of mitigation, adaptation and other climate action measures, to help deliver on the national climate obligations and the Government's overall National Climate Objective, which seeks to pursue and achieve, by no later than the end of 2050, the transition to a climate resilient, biodiversity rich, environmentally sustainable and climate neutral economy.

Public Consultation

The Meath County Council Draft Climate Action Plan, the Strategic Environmental Assessment Environmental Report and Appropriate Assessment Natura Impact Report, will be on display from 17 November 2023 to 8 January 2024, at the following locations:

- 1. On-line at https://consult.meath.ie/
- 2. The Draft Climate Action Plan may be inspected at the following civic buildings during normal opening hours for the consultation period (17 November 2023 to 8 January 2024):
 - Meath County Council, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, C15 Y291
 - Ashbourne Library, Killegland Street, Ashbourne, A84 NY73
 - Kells Library, Maudlin Street, Kells, A82 YN52

Public Information Drop-in Clinics

Council staff will be available to provide guidance on the Draft Climate Action Plan and the consultation process at the following locations:

Trim Library	Tuesday 28 November	18:00 - 19:30
Dunboyne Library	Tuesday 28 November	18:00 - 19:30
Duleek Library	Wednesday 29 November	14:00 - 15:30
Kells Library	Wednesday 29 November	14:00 - 15:30
Laytown Parish Hall	Wednesday 29 November	18:00 - 19:30
Ratoath GAA club house	Wednesday 29 November	18:00 - 19:30
Ard Boyne Hotel Navan	Thursday 30 November	12:30 - 14:00
Ashbourne Library	Thursday 30 November	18:00 - 19:30
Dunshaughlin Library	Thursday 30 November	18:00 - 19:30

Submissions/Observations

Written submissions or observations regarding the Draft Climate Action Plan, SEA Environmental Report and AA Natura Impact Report may be made in one of three ways:

- 1. **Online** via Meath County Council's Consultation Portal https://consult.meath.ie/
- 2. Via **Email** with "Draft Climate Action Plan" in the subject line to ClimateActionMCC@meathcoco.ie
- 3. **In Writing** (marked "Draft Climate Action Plan") to: Climate Action Co-Ordinator, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath C15 Y291

The closing date for receipt of submissions or observations is 17:00 on 8 January 2024.

Please note **LATE** submissions or observations will **not** be considered. You are strongly advised to make your submission or observation as early as possible.

Please consider the following in making your submission:

- 1. Please make your submission or observations by one medium only i.e. online or hard copy.
- 2. Submissions or observations should include your name and address and, where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc. which you represent.

- 3. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are particularly encouraged to make submissions or observations regarding the foregoing.
- 4. Written submissions or observations with respect to the Draft Climate Action Plan that are made within the period stated will be taken into consideration before the making of the Climate Action Plan.

Data Protection

The personal information (data) collected during the consultation process (which may include the collection of sensitive personal data) is collected for the purpose of receiving and dealing with submissions and any data collected is subject to Meath County Council's privacy statement which can be found at Department | Meath.ie

Dated: 9 November 2023

Yours faithfully,

Dara McGowan

Director of Services

Climate Action and Environment Section

Meath County Council