

PPN information event - Climate Action & Community Supports Community Climate Action Programme Sligo County Council

Background to Community Climate Action Programme



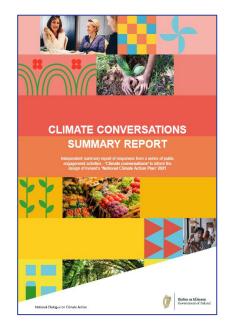
Climate Action Charter

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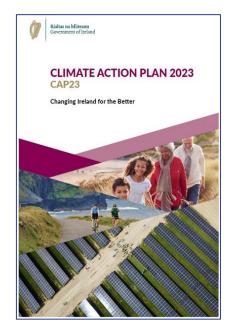
Climate Action Charter

Every local authority will embed decarbonisation, sustainable development and climate resilience into every aspect of their work **Climate Action & Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021** 51% overall reduction by 2030 Climate neutral by 2050



Climate Conversations

key forum through which people can have their say on climate action, how it affects them, and policies they would like to see implemented



Climate Action Plan 2023 a roadmap for taking decisive action to halve our emissions by 2030 and reach net zero no later than 2050

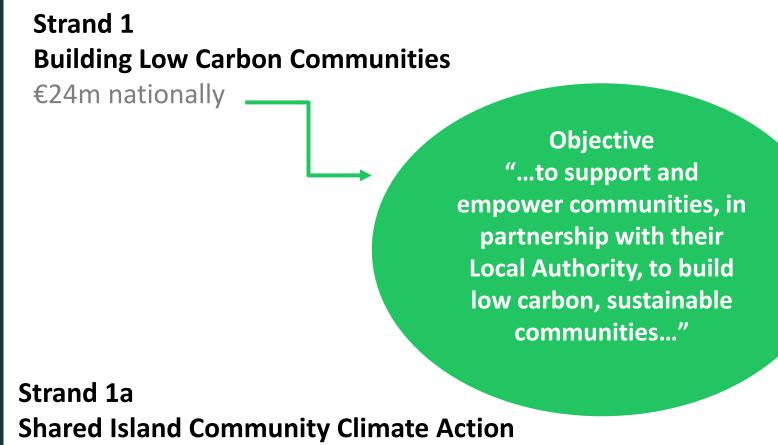
Local Authority Climate Action Plans 2024 - 2029

- Each County Council has to prepare Climate Action Plan before February 2024
- Alignment between national climate policy and delivery of effective local climate action
- The Plan will set out how Sligo County Council will reduce greenhouse gas emissions from across its own assets and infrastructure, whilst also taking on a broader role to influence, facilitate and co-ordinate the climate actions of communities and other stakeholders and what it will do to advocate for climate action in Sligo
- Public consultation on draft Sligo plan during Oct Nov 23





Overview of Community Climate Action Programme



Cross-border climate action partnerships €3m

Strand 2 Climate Education, Capacity Building and Learning by Doing

Pobal €5m <u>Community Climate Action Programme: Climate</u> Education, Capacity Building and Learning by Doing (Strand 2) - Pobal Creative Ireland €1m

Building Low Carbon Communities - the fund and how it will work

Direct climate action

Reduce Greenhouse gas emissions

>Increase climate resilience

Assist transition to low carbon economy

| Project Scale | Project Value |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Small Scale Projects | Up to €20,000 |
| Medium Scale Projects | €21,000 to €50,000 |
| Large Scale Projects | €51,000 to €100,000 |

Projects must address at least one of the 5 themes below:











Energy

Travel

Shopping/Recycling

cycling Food Waste

Climate Action

Who can apply?

Eligible community organisations

- not-for-profit organisation
- located in County Sligo
- registered with PPN or connected with other collectives e.g. The Wheel, Tidy Towns and/or a community group - Articles of Association or a Constitution - hold an AGM, approved minutes available

Not eligible to apply:

- Private individuals
- Commercial undertakings (including sole traders)
- Schools
- National community or environmental organisations (can fund local branches if they are financially independent)

Theme - Energy

Reducing the climate impact of community buildings by using less energy, using renewable energy and retrofitting

- LED community lighting
- EV charging point
- Small community renewable energy projects
- Retrofitting community buildings











Sustainable Travel

Transport accounts for 14% of the total Co. Sligo emissions (Sligo County Council, Baseline Emissions Inventory **Climate Action Plan**)

- Cycle parking •
- Improving access to cycle ways •
- Community transport services •
- Safe and active routes to schools \bullet









Eco Deliveries

Lower your Carbon Emissions & use Cycle Sense Eco Deliveries!



What We Do In the Community **Eco Deliveries Bike Maintenanc** Skibbereen taking on food waste waste **Reuse Worksho Relove Pain** Cycle Training

Dungarvan welcomes Ireland's first outdoor 'Learn to Cycle' track

Shopping and Recycling

increase variety of recycling facilities in local communities – opportunities for social enterprise

Bundoran

Swap Shop

- Circular Economy projects
- Community repair hubs
- Swap/CycleUp shops
- Water filling stations
- Single use plastics elimination
- Paint recycling



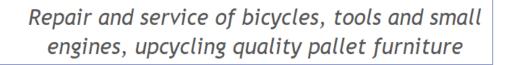




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Waterford Greenway adds bottle refill stations to reduce plastic ...

The stations are available at four locations - Abbeyside, Ballylynch Cross, Kilmacthomas Station and Bilberry - along the Greenway. "Ireland is...



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CycleUp, is an environmental and training social enterprise which addresses the issue of textile waste through a community development approach to environmental protection, supporting the hardest to reach women and families to engage.





What We Do

This initiative trains individuals and groups in the repair and reuse of mat the circular economy. By upcycling waste and unwanted textiles through awareness of the Circular Economy, as well as educates and empowers w while protecting the environment in a rural context.



Food and Waste

In Ireland we waste about 800,000 tonnes of food each year (EPA)

- Local food resilience projects
- Community composting facilities
- Community gardens
- Community supported agriculture
 - local business food pledges
- Community fridges



Locals take Simple Food Pledge





Community Gardens Ireland say "demand for garden space is skyrocketing, driven by the need to battle climate change and a renewed focus on urban growing"







DN Derry Now

Popular Derry community fridge receives funding boost

Community Fridges help tackle climate change at a local level as food waste can produce large amounts of greenhouse gases.

Theme: Local Climate and Environmental Action

taking a holistic approach to managing the local environment

- Climate resilience projects
- Mini forests/forest schools
- Dispersed orchards
- Community/solar gardens
- Roof/rain gardens
- Pollinator projects
- Nature corridors



Tackling the climate crisis, a pocket forest at a time



We'll make parts of Sligo edible with mini orchards







Green roof



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"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you.

What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make."

Jane Goodall

Act for Our Common Future

Embrace the possible. That's the call of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals, a blueprint for a better world. We don't have to wait for the future we want—we can create it right now. Everyone can join the global movement for change.

ActNow is the United Nations campaign to inspire people to act for the Sustainable Development Goals.

The Goals can improve life for all of us. Cleaner air. Safer cities. Equality. Better jobs. These issues matter to everyone. But progress is too slow. We have to act, urgently, to accelerate changes that add up to better lives on a healthier planet.

What happens when millions of people act together for our common future? A lot. Join the campaign to learn more—and do more. 14166183 ACTIONS TAKEN AROUND THE WORLD Add your action. Join the movement.

Choose Your Issue. Make An Impact.



Thank you

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