Minutes of Strategic Policy Committee 5 Environmental Protection, Water Services & Energy Held on 14th December 2018

In the Chair: Cllr. Tomás Breathnach

In Attendance: Cllr. Pat Dunphy, Cllr. Breda Gardner, Cllr. Ger Frisby, Cllr. Maurice Shortall,

James Murphy, Shem Caulfield, Brian Hamilton

Also Present: Mr. Sean McKeown, Director of Service

Mr. Frank Stafford, A/Senior Engineer Ms. Catherine Millea, Senior Staff Officer

Prior to the meeting a workshop on the Climate Action Adaptation Plan was held. This workshop was facilitated by Breda Maher, Climate Action Regional Office – Kildare.

Item 1 Minutes of SPC 5 Meeting held on 19th September 2018

Proposed by Cllr Pat Dunphy, seconded by Cllr Maurice Shortall and agreed: "that the minutes of SPC5 meeting held on 19th September 2018, a copy of which was circulated to each member with the Agenda, is hereby adopted"

Item 2 Chairman Tomas Breathnach welcomed new member Brian Hamilton,

representing the Environment Pillar of the PPN, and he acknowledged the

contribution from previous member Sadbh O'Neill.

Item 3 Noise Action Plan

Paul Byrne gave a presentation on the Noise Action Plan. Frank Stafford stated that the document will be published but not adopted as policy until central funding is forthcoming and that all local authorities are in the same situation with regard to funding. Frank Stafford advised that the document will feed into the County Development Plan.

Item 4 Update on the Draft Waste Management Bye Laws

Frank Stafford advised the meeting that no submissions were received during the consultation period. He advised that the Bye Laws are now ready to go to the full council meeting on Monday 17th December 2018 for adoption. Frank

Stafford advised that the Bye Laws will allow the Council to call to individual households to enquire how they dispose of their household waste. He also advised that there are penalties within the Bye Laws for non compliance.

Frank Stafford also informed the meeting that there is an obligation on

Service Providers to provide a third bin (brown bin) in population agglomerations above 500 people. He advised that the onus is on householders to segregate their waste. Sean McKeown advised the meeting that there is a target of 80% compliance by 2020.

Shem Caulfield stated that there are issues around the contamination of bins by food waste. It was agreed that the members of SPC 5 recommend approval of the Bye Laws by the full Council.

Item 7 AOB

It was proposed that the next meeting be held on 6th February 2019