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

Notice is hereby given that Fingal 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 Fingal County Council Draft Climate Action Plan, the Strategic Environmental Assessment Environmental Report and Appropriate Assessment Natura Impact Report, will be on display from 9:00am on 20th September to 5:00pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023, at the following locations:

- online at <a href="https://consult.fingal.ie/">https://consult.fingal.ie/</a>
- at County Hall, Main St, Swords, Co. Dublin (Postcode K67X8Y2) Monday to Thursday (excluding Bank Holidays) between the hours of 9am to 5pm and Friday 9am to 4:30pm.
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- at Civic Offices, Grove Road, Blanchardstown, D15, (Postcode D15W638) Monday to Thursday (excluding Bank Holidays) between the hours of 9am to 5pm and Friday 9am to 4:30pm.

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- at the following Council libraries during normal opening hours, during the consultation period:
  - Balbriggan Library
  - Baldoyle Library
  - Blanchardstown Library
  - Donabate Portrane Library
  - Garristown Library
  - Howth Library

- Malahide Library
- Rush Library
- Skerries Library
- Swords Library

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Public consultation events will be advertised during the consultation period on www.fingal.ie.

## **Submissions/Observations**

Written submissions or observations regarding the Draft Climate Action Plan, SEA Environmental Report and AA Natura Impact Report, are invited from members of the public and other interested parties. You can make a submission or observation between 9:00am on 20th September to 5:00pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2023, through the following options only:

- A written submission can be made electronically through the Council's Public Consultation Portal <a href="https://consult.fingal.ie/">https://consult.fingal.ie/</a> between 9:00am on 20th September to 5:00pm on 3<sup>rd</sup>
  November 2023, OR
- In writing to the Climate Action Coordinator Environment, Climate Action and Active Travel Department, Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main St, Swords, Co. Dublin (Postcode K67X8Y2).

## The closing date for receipt of submissions or observations is 5:00pm 3rd November 2023.

Please make your submission or observations by one medium only i.e., online, or hard copy.

Submissions or observations should include your name and address and, where relevant, details of any organisation, community group or company etc. which you represent. Children, or groups or associations representing the interests of children, are particularly encouraged to make submissions or observations regarding the foregoing.

Written submissions or observations with respect to the Draft Plan that are made within the period stated, will be taken into consideration before the making of the Plan.

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

Fingal County Council's GDPR privacy policy is on the consultation portal and a hard copy of the policy will accompany hard copies of the draft Plan, where these are available.

Dated:

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