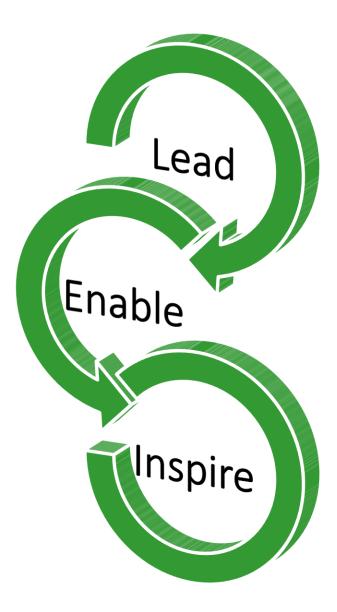
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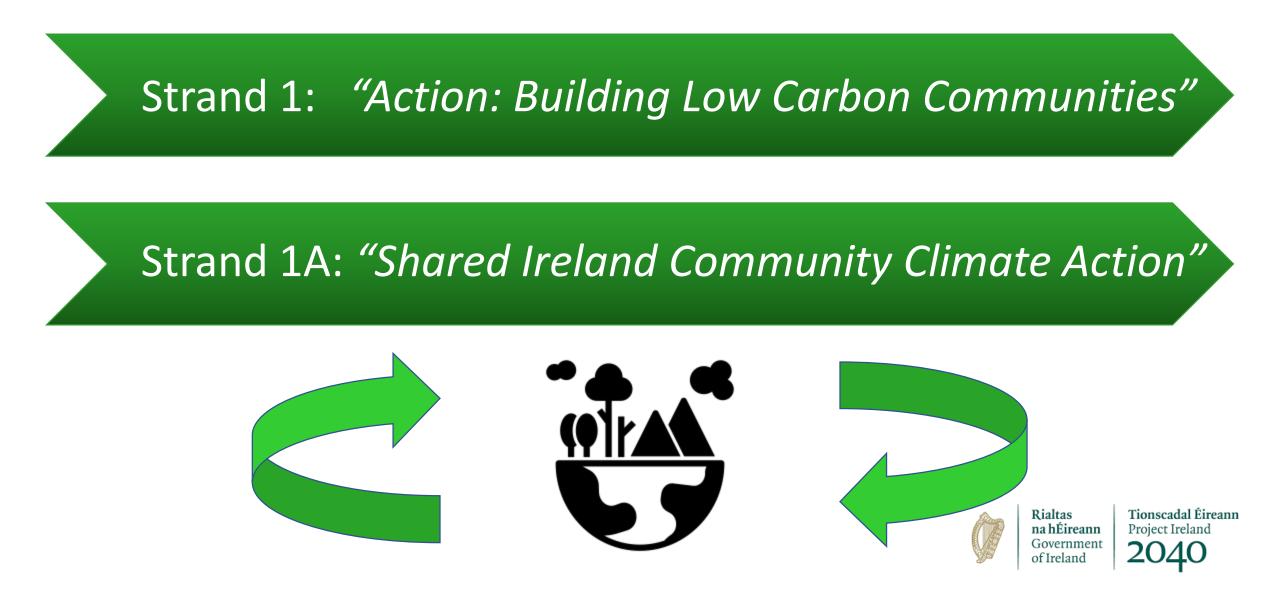




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### **Community Climate Action Programme 2021 - 2024**



### Strand 1: Action: Building Low Carbon Communities

Project Scale	Project Value	% Projects
Small Scale Projects	Up to €20,000	10%
Medium Scale Projects	€21,000 to €50,000	40%
Large Scale Projects	€51,000 to €100,000	50%

## Eligibility

#### Not-for-Profit

#### Based within Co. Meath

#### Registered with PPN, or;

### Wheel / Tidy Towns / Art of Assoc

## Strand 1A: Shared Island Community Climate Action

Support cross-border and all-island community climate actions initiatives

Address the same five themes as Strand 1

50% of the awarded funding will be for project delivery in Northern Ireland

#### Strand 1A is not pre-allocated to individual LAs



## **Projects Eligible for Funding**

#### **Local Climate Action & Environmental Action**

**Shopping & Recycling** 

**Forest Schools** 

Mini Forests

**Dispersed Orchards** 

Community Gardens & Roof Gardens

**Pollinator Projects** 

Climate Resilient Projects

**Recycling Facilities Community Repair** Hubs Swap Shops Water Refilling **Stations SUP** Elimination Reducing, reusing & recycling initiatives

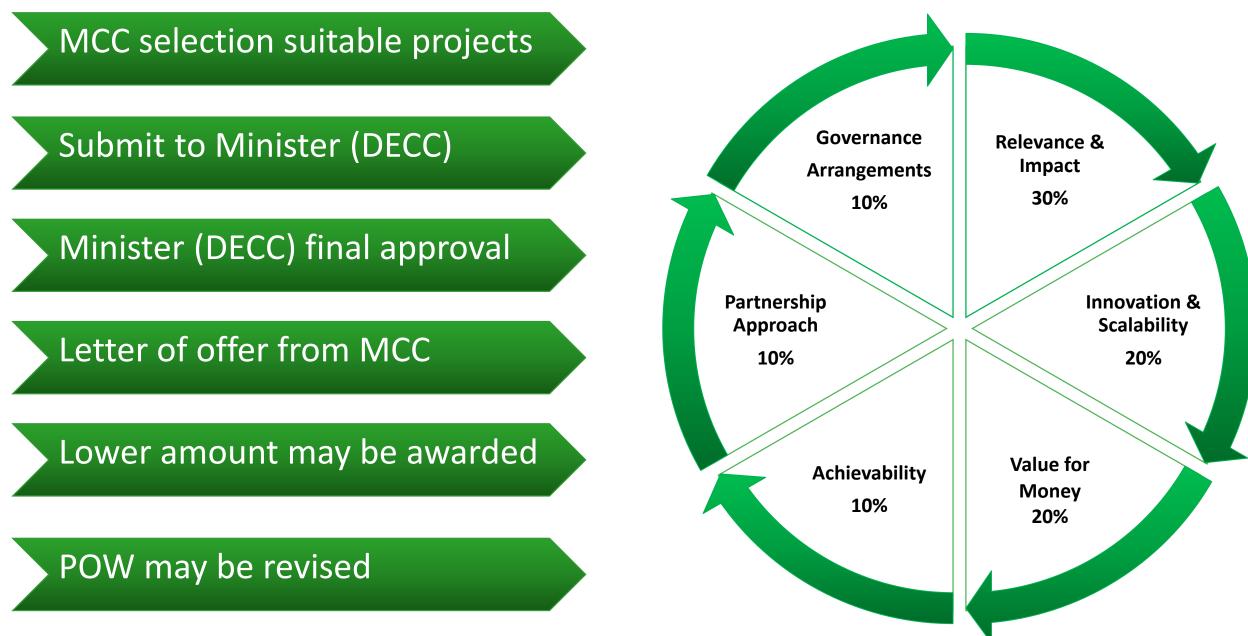
#### Food & Waste Home & Energy **Community Gardens** Allotments Food Pledges Food Markets **Repair Hubs** Community Composting Facilities

LED Community Lighting **Community EV Charging Points** Retrofitting **Community Buildings** Renewable Energy Projects: solar, wind **Reduce climate** impact of building

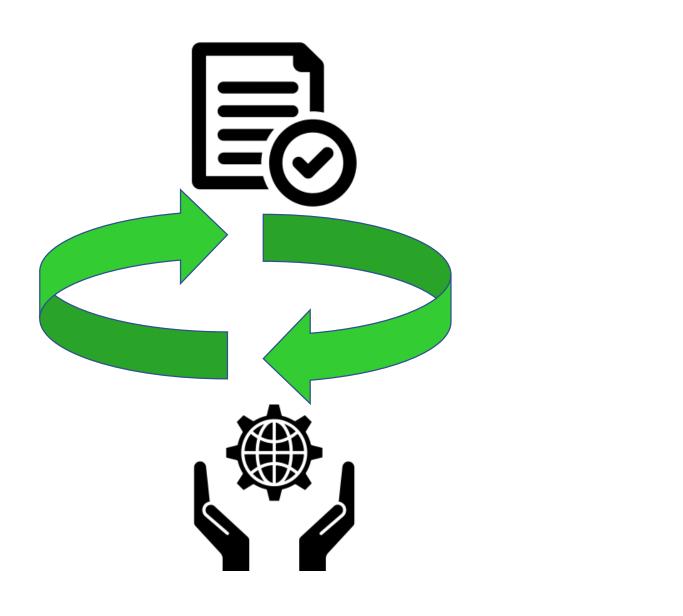
Travel

Safe or Active Travel **Routes to School** Community EV Vehicles Cycle Parking Improving access to Cycle Ways

## **Evaluation of Proposals**



### **Governance & Grant Agreements**





## Key Milestones

Milestone	Date	Ē
Expressions of Interest Accepted	8 to 10-week period	
Evaluation	8-week period	
Assessment by DECC	8 to 12-week period	5
DECC Results Announced		L

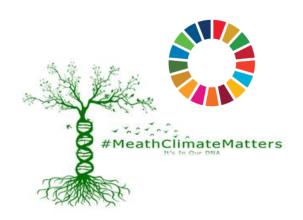




## Meath County Council Climate Action Plan and Supports

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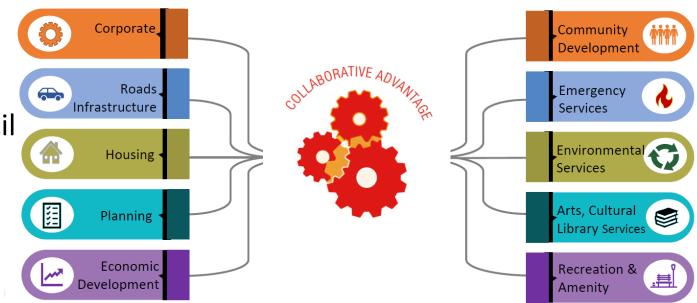




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#### **Meath County Council Supports**

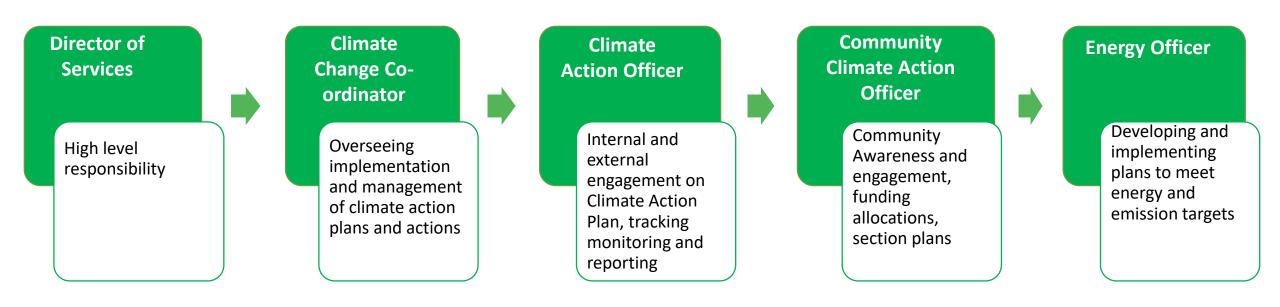
Meath County Council declared a climate and biodiversity emergency in 2019 and signed the Climate Charter that year also. Through the charter, Meath County Council made a commitment to lead by transforming how it operates and also engage community action across County Meath.



Climate action within MCC is a multi-disciplinary approach across all sections and functions in advancing climate adaptation and mitigation action.

#### **Meath County Council Supports**

Supporting the co-ordination and monitoring of progress to achieving our targets internally and supporting climate action at a local level is the Climate Action Section which is led by Director of Services.

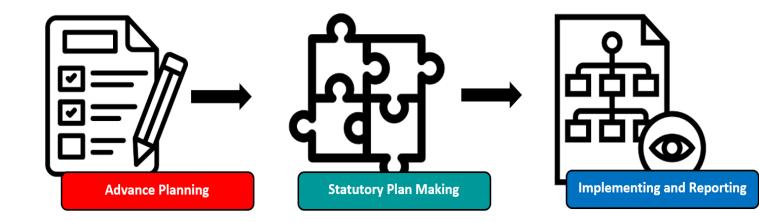


#### **Meath County Council Climate Action Plan**

The aim of the plan is to address the mitigation of greenhouse gas emissions, climate change adaptation, and to strengthen alignment to national climate policy and the delivery of local climate action by setting actions and programmes to achieve our targets.

The updated Climate Action Plan will include the following:

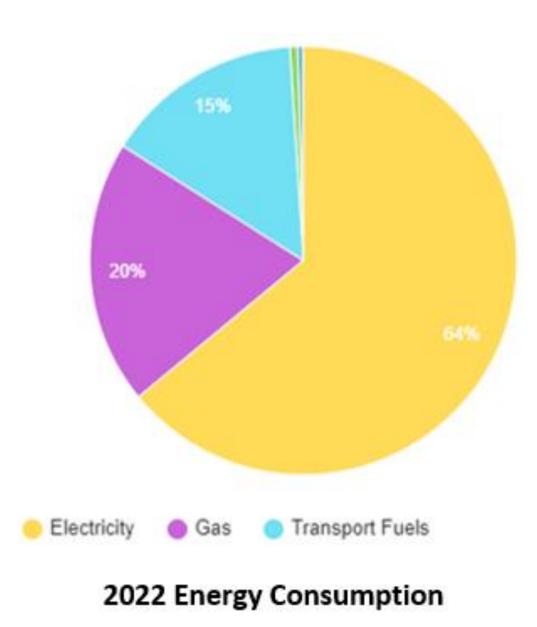
- Climate Change Risk Assessment for County Meath
- Climate Mitigation Assessment County Wide
- Climate Mitigation Assessment Decarbonisation (9 towns Kells, Ratoath, Dunshaughlin, Trim, Navan, Dunboyne, Ashbourne, Duleek, Laytown/Bettystown)



Climate Action Plan Development Stages – statutory process			
Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	
Initiation	Draft Climate Action Plan Development		
Building the evidence base – Baseline Emissions Inventory; Climate Change Risk Assessment; Decarbonisation Zones Baseline Emissions Inventories Engaging stakeholders	Develop CAP Publication and Public Consultation Collate submissions from consultation	<ul> <li>Report on submission from public consultation</li> <li>Adoption of CAP – resolution by elected members</li> <li>Publication of final adopted Climate Action Plan</li> </ul>	
Drafting the CAP			
		23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2024	

#### **MCC Energy Use**

- To reach our 2030 public sector targets and reduce our carbon emissions there is a need to change the way we use fossil intensive fuels.
- Heating our buildings
- Transport operations
- Fleet
- Our SEUs





## Home SEUs, Energy waste

Available from your local library for loan, similar to borrowing a book



# Energy Programme examples

- Alternative Fuels HVO
- 90% reduction in carbon emissions
- Meath County Council have begun a trial using Renewable BioFuel on several fleet vehicles throughout our services.
- This fuel is made entirely from waste and delivers a 90% reduction in carbon emissions compared to fossil diesel.
- The trial will last for approximately 4 months.

**Energy Audits** have been completed on our buildings and Sufficient Energy Users (SEUs) identified, a programme of energy improvements is currently been developed for implementation.

**Display Energy Certificates** Annual certificate for all publicly accessed Council buildings over 250m<sup>2</sup> have been completed.

**EV Vehicles** are been introduced where feasible Library Van and 2 Environment Vans.

**Energy Awareness – Internally and to the wider Community** we are participating with the Reduce Your Use Campaign and running awareness programmes e.g. energy expo, Home Energy Kits are available in our libraries, quick wins energy saving tips



## **Thank You for Listening**

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