

Dublin City Council

Energy Policy / Statement

Dublin City Council (DCC) acknowledges its responsibility to the current and future citizens of Dublin and our planet to manage our use of energy. The management of energy includes our commitment and continued efforts to reduce consumption and eliminate waste from our systems and by optimising efficiencies in the delivery of our services and operations.

Our energy policy is aligned with and supports the objectives in the Dublin City Council Action Plan 2024-2029, the City Development Plan 2022-2028, the National Climate Action Plan, the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021, the Climate Action Charter for Local Authorities, the Covenant of Mayors and the Clean Vehicles Directive.

Scope

The scope and influence of this Energy Policy applies to all systems and operations that consume or produce energy that remain under the control of the Council's management team or agents / third parties acting on behalf of the City Council.

DCC's Energy Management Team will report directly to the Energy Oversight Committee

Statement

Dublin City Council will:

Comply with all National and European legislative and other requirements including Statutory Instruments and Directives relating to energy performance, monitoring and reporting, and greenhouse gas emissions.

Implement and maintain an effective energy management system, review energy consumption and commit to continuous improvements in energy efficiency.

Commit to a programme of works to achieve the public sector Energy Efficiency target of 50% improvement by 2030 (relative to the 2009 baseline), an energy efficiency improvement target of 1.9% per annum, a 51% reduction in carbon emissions by 2030 (relative to the 2016-2018 average) and towards net zero emissions by 2050.

Support local communities and business on their journey towards a low carbon economy, promoting fairness in apportioning the burden and pursuing an equitable and just transition.

Maintain strong relationships with our educational institutes and business partners supporting research, innovation and enterprise that will mutually benefit our climate action and energy objectives.

Support its staff through education, training and provision of resources to encourage a best practice approach to climate action and energy awareness and to ingrain enduring behavioural change across the whole organisation.

Commit to Energy Efficient Procurement and Energy Efficient Design in all of our projects and operations.

Become a local champion, a national leader and world exemplar for energy management and efficiency improvements.

This energy policy;

Will be communicated to all persons who work for, or on behalf of Dublin City Council.

Will be reviewed periodically as deemed necessary by the Energy Oversight Committee or at a minimum in tandem with the development of the LA Climate Action Plan.

Signed by

Energy Performance Officer

Chief Executive