

apse seminars

APSE Northern Ireland

Climate Emergency: Practical actions and long-term policy goals for Northern Ireland Local Councils



Thursday 5 March 2020

Millbrook Lodge Hotel, 5 Drumaness Rd, Ballynahinch BT24 8LS

Programme

10:00 *Coffee and registration*

10:30 **Session one**

Chair: Cllr Terry Andrews, APSE Northern Ireland Chair

The Bigger Picture: Climate Change and Councils across the UK

- Climate change actions by councils across the UK
- Route maps to action: short, mid and long-term plans
- The policy dynamics of climate change in a council context
- It's not just about carbon! Ecology, Economy, Environment
- Interface with frontline council services

Mo Baines, APSE Head of Communications and Coordination

Belfast City Council; Resilience Strategy

- The Belfast Resilience Strategy
- A low carbon resilient economy
- Innovate UK funding for on-street EV infrastructure
- Developing hydrogen refuelling in the city

Grainia Long, Belfast Commissioner for Resilience, Belfast City Council

Local Authority Climate Action – Northern Ireland

- Drivers for climate action – Impacts, Policy, Ethics and Emergency Declarations
- Climate Action Planning – Resources & Commitment, Data & Information, Processes
- The challenges and opportunities
- North West Regional Energy Strategy

Cathy Burns, Climate Programme Manager and Leo Strawbridge, Energy Manager

Sustainable NI

- Our priorities for action: What do we need to support effective action?
- Balancing mitigation and adaptation strategies
- Sustainable development: Sustainable economic growth for Northern Ireland
- What are the big asks for local councils?

Nichola Hughes, Executive Director, Sustainable NI

Audience question and answer session

11:45 *Coffee break*

12:00 **Session two**

Electric vehicles and fleet: Are they achievable in Northern Ireland Councils?

- When will the tipping point arrive for electric vehicles?
- What about infrastructure, generation and storage?
- How can the local authority engage in developing viable schemes for local areas?

Sebastian Street, Development Manager, Gridserve

Making your assets including leisure centres greener

- The impact of energy on civic and public buildings
- The high energy burn: Leisure centres
- What actions can you take in the short, medium and long-term to reduce the carbon footprint of your assets?

Alan Barber, APSE Energy Associate

The importance of Biodiversity for Climate Action

- The CANN Project: 'Collaborative Action for the Natura Network
- An INTERREG Funded Project
- The importance of biodiversity and peatland habitats for climate action

Shane McGivern, CANN Project Manager, Newry, Mourne and Down District Council

Audience question and answer session

13:00 *Networking lunch*

APSE Climate Change and Renewables Network

Did you know that as an APSE member you can access the free to attend APSE Climate Change and Renewables Network? The network shares best practice, ideas and innovation and strategic policy direction between APSE member councils that have made, or are considering making, a climate emergency declaration. You can sign up online on the APSE website www.apse.org or email Mo Baines on mbaines@apse.org. uk for more information.

APSE Energy

Our unique APSE Energy membership based service brings together advice and guidance on the specialists area of municipal energy schemes; exploring local authority renewables energy schemes, energy infrastructure projects from solar farms to on-street residential electric

car charging points. As part of APSE Energy, members can access specialist support through consultancy reviews, strategic guidance and practical implementation of renewable energy schemes and decarbonisation strategies as well as knowledge and support. Email Phil Brennan on pbrennan@apse.org.uk to enquire about joining APSE Energy.

APSE Solutions

APSE Solutions is part of APSE's not-for-profit services to members. In the field of climate change, APSE Solutions offers support for fleet reviews, looking at how you can green your fleet, underground bins and the issues of the resources and waste strategies proposed across the UK and how all services can contribute to the green agenda and decarbonisation – including more efficient ways of working to reduce road miles. Contact Andy Mudd on amudd@apse.org.uk

Seminar Objectives

About the seminar

As councils across the UK declare Climate Emergencies this event for APSE member local councils is designed to explore the current policy context of climate change actions by local councils and the public sector. This seminar will provide both an overview of the challenges and opportunities for both adaptation and mitigation strategies as well as offering some practical solutions to help frontline services deal with the challenges of greening local services.

This event will provide an interactive environment in which to explore the issues facing local councils as well as future action planning and networking to share ideas and successes.

Who should attend?

The Climate Emergency is not isolated to any one service or specialism and should be viewed holistically across all local council services and portfolios. Therefore we encourage attendance from:-

- Elected Councillors including leaders and portfolio holders
- Sustainability and energy officers
- Chief Executives, Senior Managers and Frontline Service Managers
- Northern Ireland Public Agencies and statutory bodies

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Access and Parking

By Car: The Venue is 20 minutes from Belfast City and there is ample free onsite parking including disabled parking bays.

By Bus: From Belfast City Europa Bus Centre, the 18 and 20 buses both run near the hotel.

This event is FREE to APSE member local councils

The Venue

**Millbrook Lodge Hotel,
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Please detail any special dietary or access requirements for the delegates listed below (including vegetarian/vegan)

Delegate Packages Exclusive of VAT

What's included?

The delegate fee covers attendance, delegates' documentation, lunch and light refreshments. Please note that hotel accommodation is not included.

APSE member delegate fee: **Free**
Non member delegates fee: **£125 + VAT**
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