

Ref: EIR / 6100

07th November 2025

Environmental Information Regulations Request - Update on Enforcement Action 28-30 Hawkin Street

I refer to your EIR request and respond as follows:

1. Does the council have a climate adaptation strategy?

Yes, the council has an adaption strategy.

a. If yes, is this rolled into the mitigation/Net Zero strategy or is it set out in the form of a separate/stand-alone document?

There is a separate document

b. Please provide link to the document.

<https://www.derrystrabane.com/subsites/climate/carbon-budget-youth-consultation-630abd41ad7bcd0947cc048acaac2f2a>

2. Has the council conducted a climate risk assessment?

Yes

a. If yes, please provide link to the document

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b. If yes, was it produced using the Local Partnerships Risk Areas Matrix?

No

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c. What sectors does the climate risk assessment cover?

- **Public buildings**
- **Residential buildings**
- **New developments**
- **Schools**
- **Care homes**
- **Roads and other transport infrastructure**
- **Communication networks – telecom and ITC**
- **Energy infrastructure**
- **Local businesses**
- **Other – please specify**

NI Council estates and services

3. Has the council also produced a local climate adaptation action plan with associated timeframe for implementing and reviewing the strategy?

Please see point 1a above.

a. If yes, please provide link to the document

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4. What measures has the council put in place to withstand the climate impacts (e.g. severe heat, flooding, coastal erosion) experienced or predicted for your area? For example, by implementing:

- **Measures to alleviate flood risks and manage flooding**
No
- **Measures to increase resilience of new building developments to climate impacts**
Yes

- **Measures to reduce excess heat in new residential buildings**
No
- **Measures to address overheating in schools, hospitals, care homes and other public buildings**
No
- **Places for the public to gather in the event of a major climate disaster**
Yes
- **Blue and green spaces**
Yes
- **Strategies to manage climate-induced health problems**
No
- **Improvements to make transport infrastructure more resilient**
Yes
- **Nature based solutions, such a tree planting or creating wetlands**
Coastal defences
Yes
- **SuDS (sustainable drainage systems)**
Yes
- **Water efficiency measures**
Yes
- **Ways of working with farmers to increase resilience of the food**
No
- **System and align adaptation objectives**
Yes
- **Measures to enhance community engagement**
Yes

- **Are there other key measures that you have taken? Please give details**
Support community resilience planning

5. Does the council have access to all the necessary information, technical advice and support to deliver on adaptation planning and implementation?

Yes

6. Has the council identified funding gaps hindering its ability to implement adaptation action planning?

Yes

a. Which aspects would be priorities for additional funding?

Community resilience planning, household flood and heat resilience, fuel poverty, wider catchment approach to flood mitigation.

7. Has the council identified shortfalls in its capacity, skills and experience to deliver required adaptation actions?

Yes

a. If yes, what is needed?

Increase finance to support resilient capital projects
Increased staff to support community resilience

8. Is the Council aware of, and does it have the capacity to draw in, external funds for climate adaptation measures? Eg:

- a. Combined Authority funding**
- b. Parish Council funding for small scale schemes - water butts, tree planting**
- c. Business contributions through Partnership Funding**
- d. Community Infrastructure Levy**
- e. Partnerships with third sector organisations such as Woodland Trust.**

Yes

9. Did the council submit a report to ARP4?

a. If yes, please provide a link

No

10. Has the council supported the call, as articulated by the LGA, for local authorities to be given statutory duties and powers, sufficient funding and robust support to lead on climate action including adaptation?

a. If yes, please provide link documenting this support

N/A in Northern Ireland

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have rights of review and appeal; these rights consist of two review processes.

Firstly, our internal review procedure is available by contacting:

John Kelpie
Chief Executive
Derry City and Strabane District Council
98 Strand Road
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Tel: 028 71253253 or email: john.kelpie@derrystرابane.com

Secondly, you can appeal directly by contacting the Information Commissioner at:

Information Commissioner
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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CHESHIRE SK9 5AF
Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or email: casework@ico.org.uk

I would however advise that the Information Commissioner has indicated that a review will not be undertaken unless the Council has first had an opportunity to reconsider its decision.

Yours sincerely

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