

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>CONSULTATION REPORT</b>
<b>Committee Report Submitted To:</b>	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>
<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> January 2021</b>
<b>For Decision or For Information</b>	<b>FOR INFORMATION</b>

<b>Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)</b>	
Strategic Theme	
Outcome	
Lead Officer	Director of Environmental Services

<b>Budgetary Considerations</b>	
Cost of Proposal	Nil
Included in Current Year Estimates	
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

<b>Screening Requirements</b>	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals.		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	No	Date:
	DPIA Required and Completed:	No	Date:

1.	<p><b>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS</b></p> <p><b>(correspondence dated 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020)</b></p>
	<p><b><u>Launch of Discussion Document on a Northern Ireland Climate Change Bill</u></b></p> <p>The Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) is seeking the views of individuals, organisations and business across society in order to understand public views as to what a Northern Ireland Climate Change Bill should like.</p> <p>The Discussion Document sets out options, with analysis and questions for your response. The full lengthy Discussion Document and Easy Ready versions are available at the DAERA Consultation webpage.</p> <p>The Consultation will be open from Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020 until Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021.</p> <p>Copy correspondence is attached at Appendix 1.</p>
2.	<p><b>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND RURAL AFFAIRS</b></p> <p><b>(correspondence dated 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020)</b></p>
	<p><b><u>Launch of Discussion Document on Environmental Plans, Principles and Governance in Northern Ireland</u></b></p> <p>The consultation 'Environmental Plans, Principles and Governance for Northern Ireland' is now open.</p> <p>You can view this consultation at <a href="https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/daera-environment-marine-fisheries/environmental-plans-principles-and-governance-ni/consult_view">https://consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/daera-environment-marine-fisheries/environmental-plans-principles-and-governance-ni/consult_view</a> .</p>



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8<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Dear Consultee,

### **Launch of Discussion Document on a Northern Ireland Climate Change Bill**

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**Please respond through the [online survey](#) if you can.**

The Department is encouraging stakeholders to respond using the online response (survey) function. This would greatly assist us with timely processing of the large volume of responses expected, as staff access to Departmental resources and buildings are impacted during the Covid-19 pandemic. This will also support our ongoing efforts to reduce the environmental impact of the production of consultation papers.

The Consultation will be open for responses from Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2020 until Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021.

For anyone who cannot reply online, other response routes are detailed in the Discussion Documents.

Thank you for taking the time to engage with DAERA on this discussion, we look forward to receiving your response.

**Climate Change Unit**  
**Environmental Policy Division**  
**Department for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs**

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