



**To: Cathaoirleach and Elected Members**

**Re: Draft Strategic Policy Committee Scheme (SPC) 2019.**

The statutory basis for SPC's is set out in Section 48 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended by Section 41 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014.

Following the local elections, it is necessary for each local authority to establish new SPCs in line with the guidelines published by the Department. Draft scheme has now been prepared for consideration. At the May Meeting the Elected Members agreed to have 5 SPCs and approved the configuration of these 5 SPCs.

Subject to approval of the members of the draft scheme as circulated, it will then be published to allow for consultations and submissions from the public. The draft scheme will also be issued to the Public Participation Network (PPN) and all the National Pillars who nominate members to the various committees for their comments.

It is recommended that the members consider the draft scheme and approve the scheme to go for public consultation. The draft scheme together with the report on the submissions received will be brought back to the Elected Members for adoption in September, 2019. At that stage the membership of each committee will be appointed by the Elected Members and the National Pillars with a view to having meetings as early as possible after the adoption of the scheme.

Yours sincerely,



**Tim Butler, Director of Services.**

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