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Draft Kildare County Development Plan 2023 - 2029

Peatlands Possibilities and Resources

Caibidil: Volume 1 - chapters » 7 - Energy &

Communications **Ábhair:** communication

Change Objective No EC O50 to read

Prioritise the sourcing of E.U. and National funding to support projects which assist the transition of the industrial peatlands and the communities traditionally dependent on them in a manner consistent with the principles of Just Transition. (To include Arts & Heritage Funding)

Údar: Creative Rathangan Meitheal

Main opinion:

Kieran Mulvey's most recent report as Just Transition Commisioner identifies a number of barriers experienced by communities in relation to the Just Transition to process date. Unless Social dialogue and capacity building/support for communities are part and parcel of the apporach to Just Transition decisions around funding will be driven by the priorities of other stakeholders

Main requests:

That communities most affected by the transition from peat are treated as equals in the process, and that responses to the end of the BnM/ESB partnership and of peat harvesting focus on the longterm rather than on a set of timebound funds.

Main reasons:

Unless the communities most affected by the endiing of the BnM/ESB partnerhsip, which was based on peat extraction, are supported to be agents of change they will be its victims.

Documents Attached: Níl

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