





Sustainable Energy Community Charter

for

National University of Ireland, Galway

And

Clár Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh Co na Gaillimhe

Vision

NUI Galway Strategy 2020 – 2025 outlines that we will scale sustainability successes beyond the campus by building sustainability partnerships with neighbouring communities, national bodies, and partners across Europe and the globe.

Clár Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh is to build an energy efficient community, based on the promotion and integration of renewable energy linking with energy efficiency technology and the long term goal of adopting to a low carbon foot print within the Gaeltacht.

Building on the work of our Community and University Sustainability Partnership and its approach to 'learn, live and lead' sustainability across the university mission, we will collaborate to provide research and knowledge of sustainability and empower our communities to be champions of sustainability.

We will do this by..

Together, we will develop a roadmap to move ambitiously towards targets set out in the Climate Action Plan 2019 by promoting improvement of the energy performance of our buildings, increasing our use of renewable energy, promoting better energy choices and sustainable transport for our staff and communities.

We will work together

With all our students, colleagues and community representatives, energy users and the SEC Network to help maximize impact, share resources and knowledge. We will work to ensure NUI Galway and Clár Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh becomes widely recognised as being leaders in reducing carbon emissions in our areas.

We commit to..

- Collaborate to encourage energy awareness amongst our campus community and Clár Éifeachtacht Fuinnimh community.
- Collaborate to improve energy efficiency by a minimum of 3% on average every year for the next three years.
- Achieve 5% of our energy supply from renewables by 2025.
- Collaborate with the SEC network and SEAI to provide feedback, share knowledge and contribute to national movement for Sustainable Energy Communities.
- Ensure there is a long term strategy to promote a roadmap of initiatives and continuous improvement.

SEAI commit to supporting your SEC for the duration of this three-year Partnership Agreement to help you deliver your sustainable energy ambitions.

We the undersigned are fully supportive of the vision, aims and commitments outlined above.

We sign this Community Charter on behalf ...

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