NTMA Climate Action and Sustainability

The NTMA elevated climate change as a strategic risk following a decision by the NTMA Board in November 2019, given its increasing importance across all its business mandates. The NTMA Climate Action Strategy 2020 – 2023 was formulated on foot of this decision and was approved by the NTMA's Executive Management Team in March 2020. Its purpose is to integrate climate action into the NTMA's business decisions in the context of delivering its mandates to Government.

An NTMA Sustainability Group was established to ensure delivery of its climate strategy while also facilitating cross unit collaboration and information-sharing. This group is chaired by the NTMA's Director of Funding and Debt Management and regularly reports on progress to the Executive Management Team and the NTMA Board.

The NTMA is supporting various actions contained in the Government's Climate Action Plan (CAP) 2019 across its funding, investment, corporate and project financial advisory services, and public infrastructure procurements. Climate Action is a key factor driving changes to the NTMA's business targets for 2021 and beyond. The NTMA has submitted actions for consideration as part of the Government's new Climate Action Plan 2021.

The NTMA also recognises the contribution it can make by reducing its organisational carbon footprint and supporting its employees in adopting a low carbon lifestyle through a range of sustainability-related initiatives. The NTMA's Climate Action strategy also commits the organisation to be environmentally sustainable and a Net Zero emissions organisation by 2030 in advance of the 2050 timeline set by Government.

The NTMA established an employee led Green Team to support the aim of the NTMA to be a recognised leader in sustainable workplace practices in Ireland. The NTMA Green Team consists of committed and engaged employees who undertake environmentally sustainable activities in addition to their other responsibilities.

In July 2019, the NTMA occupied Treasury Dock which is certified as BER A3, LEED Platinum and NZEB compliant. A key requirement of the NTMA's move to its new premises was to ensure that the new building was as environmentally sustainable as possible. The NTMA Green Team, established prior to the move, continues to assist in embedding new environmentally sustainable behaviours among all employees to ensure the NTMA maximise such opportunities afforded by the new premises.

