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Under Dungarvan, Add specific objectives as follows:

-Reduce the vacancy in the town to EU averages for vacancy in both housing & commercial properties (i.e. 10% and 5%, respectively), starting in 2022. Funding & resourcing sources to be found for regeneration outside of existing central funding budgets to avoid constraining delivery & the speed of delivery being constrained by limited central budgets/funding. A 50% reduction in the vacancy of homes to 2025 through a dedicated regeneration community group, to satisfy the demand for affordable homes for those currently living at home with their parents, and in turn, reduce the carbon footprint of young people by avoiding the 30 tonnes in a new build.

-Reduce the amount of young people living at home with parents (as per CSO) by 50% by 2028 in Dungarvan and it's surrounding areas, starting in 2022 (i.e. 10% p.a. reduction for 5 years), given the housing crisis.

-Reduce the carbon footprint of Dungarvan's existing homes & it's surrounding catchment by 50% by 2030, with clear path to 100% carbon neutrality by 2035 (i.e. ahead of national targets), by working on leading on EU green deal implementation. This can be delivered through offsets or adjacency partnerships (renewable energy community co-ops, microgrids or partnerships with state bodies) to achieve the objective.

-Reduce the number of women looking after the home in Dungarvan and surrounding areas by 30% by 2028 through innovative ways to promote working, including WFH incentives, creche incentives & funding models in partnership with EU and local funds; Dungarvan to be a hub for women leading in the work environment in Ireland by tapping into Waterford Women leaders' experiences, ambition for a more equal society & Shona Partnership.

-Dungarvan to rank in top 5 in all the country on number of km's of cycle lane installed by year per person, each year, so that we improve further the quality of living in Dungarvan, with specific focus on safe cycle routes to/from the schools in Dungarvan town, Abbeyside & Ballinroad.

-Dungarvan to measure hectares of deciduous trees planted, given national targets to 2030, and this objective published quarterly. c192 hectares have to be published by 2030 in Dungarvan to meet targets; a Transition year, Tidy Towns & Volunteers group with other state bodies (e.g Coillte, BNM, Heritage, Climate) to be established in Q1 22 to start implementation in Summer 22, given the urgency around biodiversity & climate crisis.

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Documents Attached: Níl

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