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Briefing
on
Budget 2022

What?

- What does a Chamber do?
- Doing what during Covid?



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“Putting Place First”

- 3 Themes
- Aligned to Sustainable Development Goals



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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

1 NO POVERTY

2 ZERO HUNGER

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

5 GENDER EQUALITY

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION

13 CLIMATE ACTION

14 LIFE BELOW WATER

15 LIFE ON LAND

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

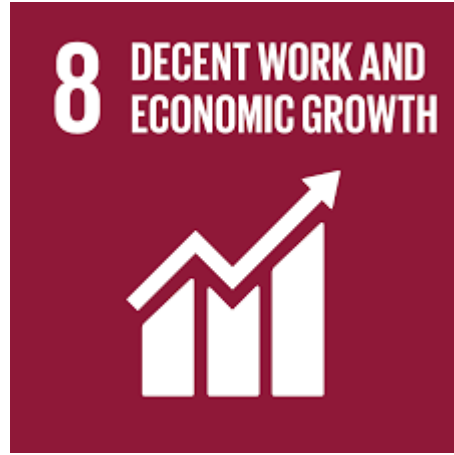
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Peace and Prosperity
for
People and the Planet
Now and into the Future

Irish Chambers' Pledge to the Sustainable Development Goals

Chambers Ireland, The International Chamber of Commerce Ireland and the affiliated Chambers across Ireland pledge to uphold, communicate and implement the SDGs throughout the work they carry out.

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| Arklow & District Chamber | Athlone Chamber | Ballina Chamber | Ballyhaunis Chamber | Bantry Chamber |
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| Bray & District Chamber | Carrick-on-Shannon Chamber | Cavan Chamber | Cobh & Harbour Chamber | Cootahill Chamber |
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| Cork Chamber | County Carlow Chamber | County Kildare Chamber | County Meath Chamber | County Tipperary Chamber |
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| County Wexford Chamber | Drogheda & District Chamber | Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Chamber | Dundalk Chamber | Dungarvan & West Waterford Chamber |
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| Ennis Chamber | Enniscorthy & District Chamber | Fingal Dublin Chamber | Galway Chamber | Kilkenny Chamber |
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| Laos Chamber | Letterkenny Chamber | Limerick Chamber | Longford Chamber | Mallow Chamber |
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| Mullingar Chamber | Shannon Chamber | Sligo Chamber | South Dublin Chamber | Thurles Chamber |
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| Tralee Chamber Alliance | Tullamore & District Chamber | Waterford Chamber | Westport Chamber | DUBLIN CHAMBER |
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Three Themes

A Strategy for Towns and Cities/Urban Ireland

- SDG 11 “Sustainable Cities & Communities”

Delivering on Climate Action and Sustainable Infrastructure

- SDG 9 “Industry, Innovation & Infrastructure”
- SDG 13 “Climate Action”

Inclusive and Productive Local Economies

- SDG 8 “Decent Work & Economic Growth”



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Strategy for Towns and Cities/Urban Ireland

- **Resource LA** to enable delivery of a Town Centre Health Check and follow up Town Centre First Program of initiatives to deliver meaningful development of streets in our city and towns
- **Housing** – both new developments and incentives to convert vacant/disused properties into accommodation use
- **Campus** in Kilkenny as part of new TUSE



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Delivering on Climate Action and Sustainable Infrastructure

- Completion of **Kilkenny City Ring Road**
 - Incorporating removal of unnecessary traffic from the city
 - Enhancing facilities walking and cycling
 - Using public transport



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Inclusive and Productive Local Economies

- Commercial **Rates waiver** to be extended
- **Redundancy Rebate Scheme** for Sole Traders and SME's to be reintroduced
- Extend **Small Benefits Exemption** from €500 to €1,000
- Extend reduced **VAT rate** for Hospitality & Tourism businesses until end 2023
- Introduce a **“Stay and Spend” local voucher** for all adults to spend on tourism and hospitality targeted at the “shoulder season”



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Budget 2022 must:

- Build on work already done
- Deliver more ambition
- More investment
- Put sustainable local economies at the heart of Government Policy