



# SEAP Development in Cork County Council

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# Covenant of Mayors

- European Movement involving local and regional authorities
- Voluntary commitment to increasing energy efficiency and the use of RES
- Signatories aim to meet and exceed the EU objective of 20% reduction in CO<sub>2</sub> by 2020





# Covenant in Figures

Signatories	4,282 (5 Irish)
Inhabitants involved	167m
SEAP's Submitted	1,751
SEAP's Accepted	384
Signatories suspended	34





# Background

- Members of Energy Cities since 1992
- [www.energy\\_cities.org](http://www.energy_cities.org)
- Energy Agency set-up in 1995
- European Energy Agencies Conference in Cork 1998
- Board members of Energy Cities 2005-2007
- Vice Chair of Energy Cities 2007-2011
- CoM adhesion 14<sup>th</sup> March 2011
- SEAP Submitted 12<sup>th</sup> September 2012





# Why join CoM?

- Targets inline with national targets.
- National requirement to report annually to SEAI.
- Complimentary to E-MAP
- Useful for funding applications
- Part of a European Network.
- Increased Political Support.







# Who Should be involved 1

- Political
    - Mayor
    - Other Elected Representatives
  - Organisational
    - Senior Management
    - Staff
- Full Council
- E-MAP – Energy Team



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# Who Should be involved 2

- External Stakeholders

- Community interests
- Business/Commercial interests
- Agricultural Sector

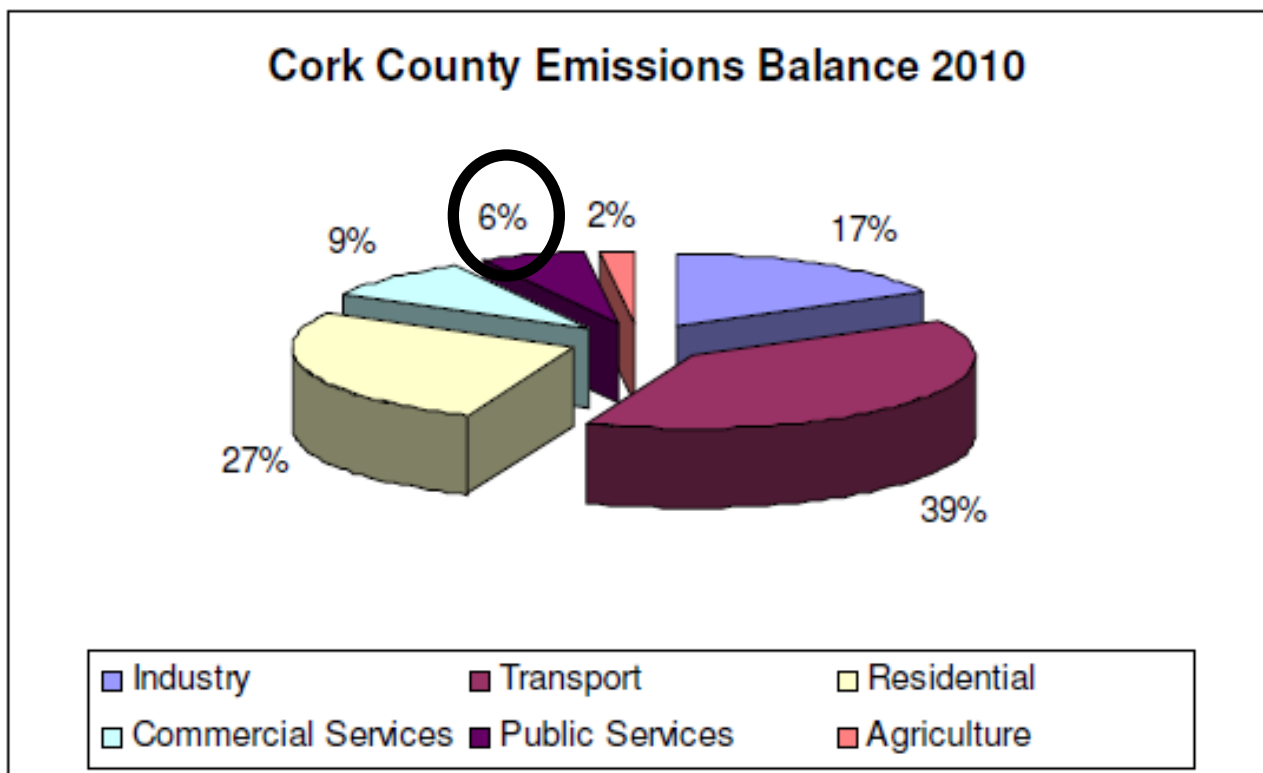
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# What do I include

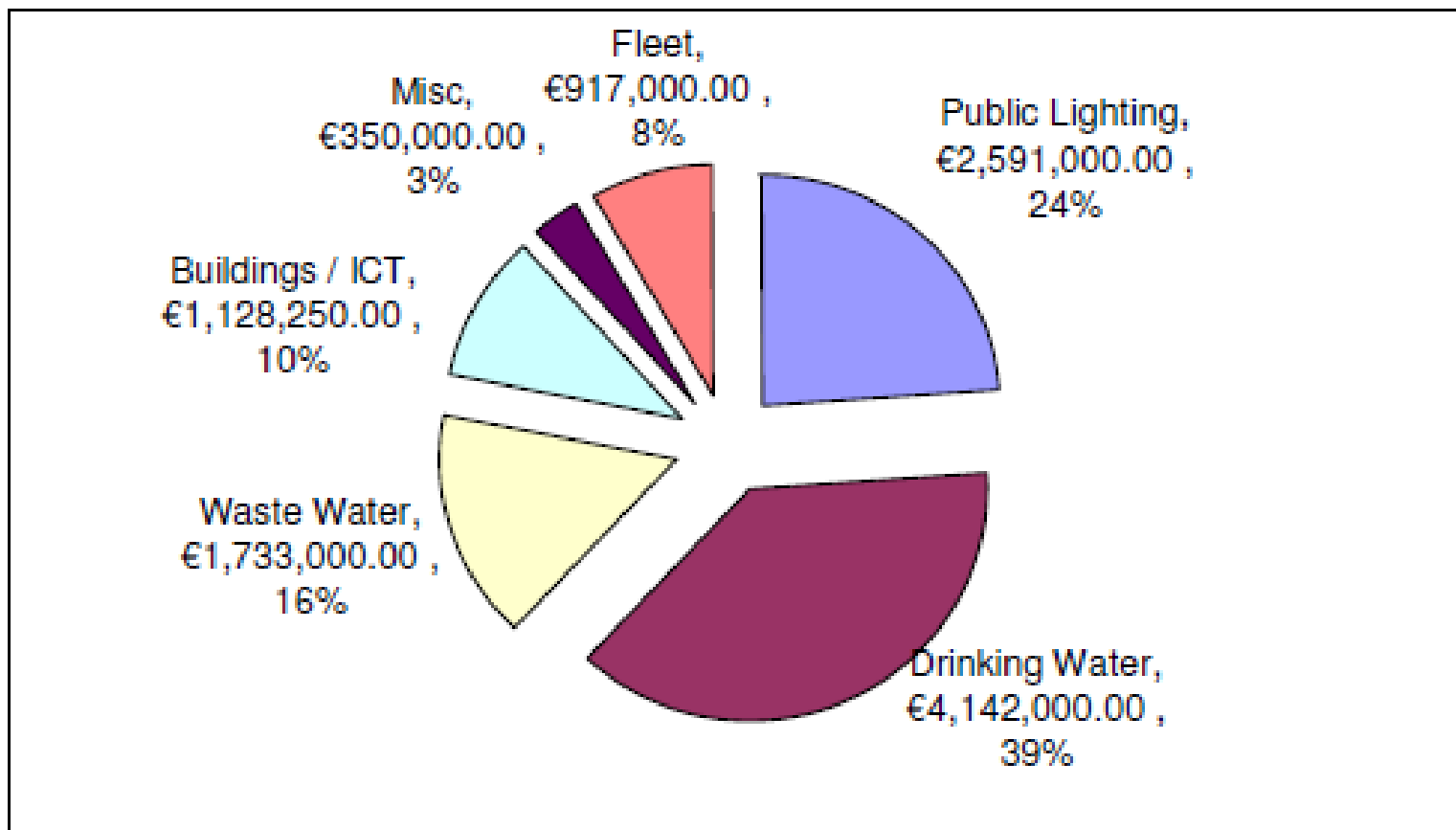
- Include what you can control!







# What do I include 2





# What about the other 94%

- Forward Planning/ Planning Policy
  - County Development Plans
  - Local Area Plans
  - Renewable Energy Strategies/Plans





# What About the other 94%

- Lead by doing
- Raise awareness of your actions
  - Show positive results
- Liase with your stakeholders
- Hope we exceed our National Targets





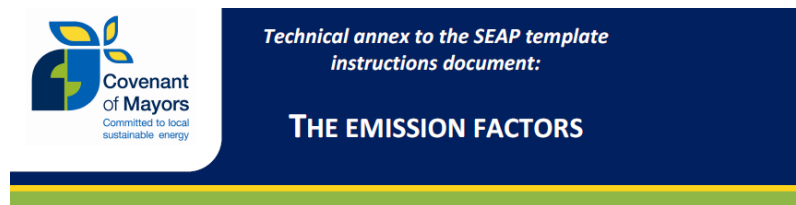
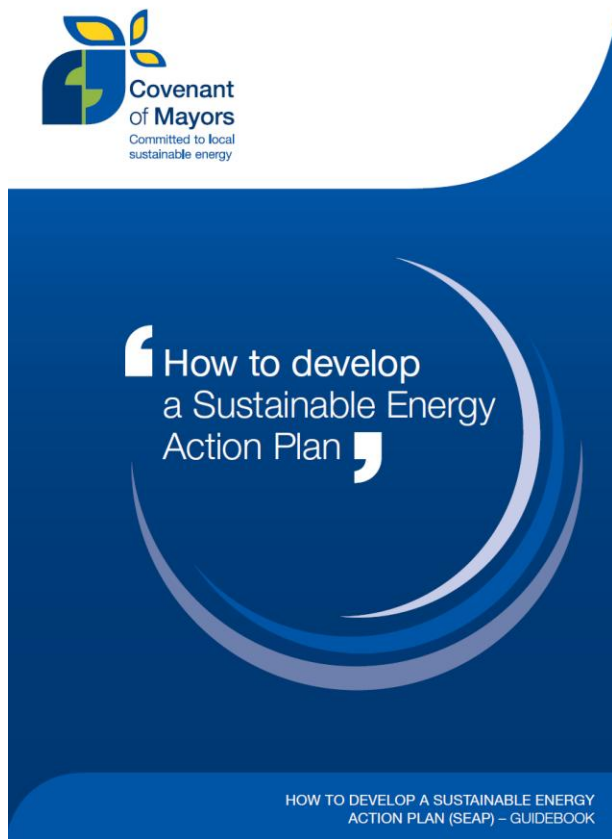
# Lessons Learned

- Under estimate over achieve
- Concentrate on actions within your control.
- Keep it on the Mayors agenda
- Don't work in isolation
- Use the information available to you i.e CoM website and AIEA





# Useful Documents



[www.eumayors.eu](http://www.eumayors.eu)



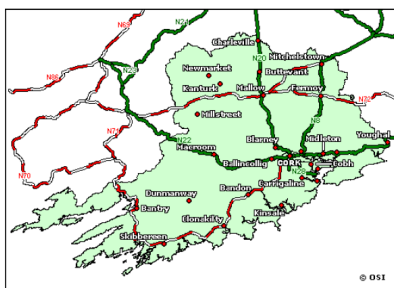
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**Cork County Council  
Sustainable Energy Action Plan  
2010 – 2020**

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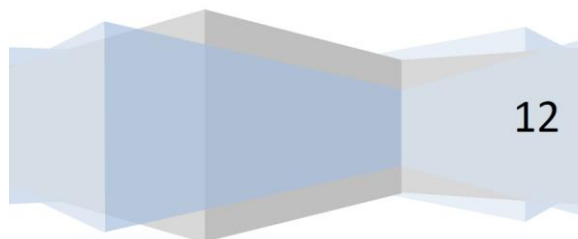


Waterford County Council

**Waterford County Council  
Sustainable Energy Action  
Plan 2012-2020**

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Clr. Liam Brazil, Mayor of County Waterford



**Dublin City Sustainable Energy  
Action Plan 2010-2020**

Version 2.0



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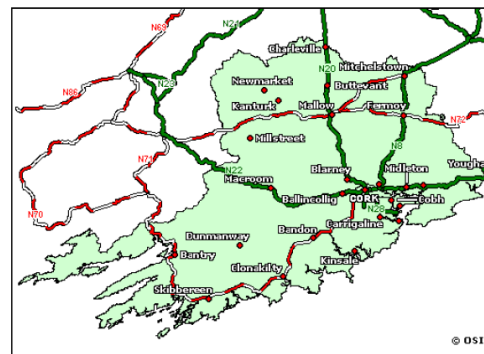
# Final SEAP

- Commitment to reduced CO<sub>2</sub> 21% to 2020
- Political and Management Support



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# Final Lesson

12 Months is not a long  
time!!!!



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