Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,
COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.

A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Áras an Chontae, Carrick on Shannon, on Monday the 5th September 2011 at 5.30pm for the purpose of considering the business set out on the Agenda hereunder.

You are hereby summoned to attend.

In accordance with Statutory Provisions, the Register of Manager’s Orders will be available for inspection at the Meeting.

Mise le meas,

Aideen McGovern
Meetings Administrator
/kmge

***********

C L Á R

1. Deimhniu Miontuairisci

- Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Áras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim on Monday 4th July 2011 (Copy Enclosed).

2. To consider Notice of Intention to Propose Resolution to Nominate Mr. Sean Gallagher as a Candidate for President in the forthcoming Presidential Election in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of the Presidential Elections Act 1993. (Copy Enclosed)

3. To consider disposal of portion of land in the townland of Tawnymoyle, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim (0.852 acres) to Seamus Kerrigan in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to Dispose of portion of land dated 14th July 2011 circulated to each Member.

4. To approve the following proposals in compliance with the Planning & Development Act, 2000 and Part 8 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001:
1. Erection of a Salt Barn Building within the Boundary of the existing Leitrim County Council compound facilities at Cornastauk, Manorhamilton. (Report Enclosed)

5. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.

6. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.

7. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.

8. Correspondence (enclosed).

9. To receive presentation from Tamboran Resources.

Part I - Notice of Motions.

10. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;

"At the September meeting of Leitrim County Council, I again ask the County Manager what steps have been taken by the Council to address the obvious concerns locally arising from the current status of the large housing development off the old N4 at Rooskey. There is considerable concern within the local community that there are no efforts being made to finish the houses and complete the estate. What is the current status of the Developer and have the Council had any success in making contact with him, to try and resolve the problem?"

11. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Caillian Ellis;

"I propose that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for the Environment, Mr. Phil Hogan, TD and the Department of the Environment requesting that they refrain from applying charges for the inspection of septic tanks and also to put in place a grant for householders who have to upgrade their septic tank in order to comply with the new regulations."

12. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Reynolds;

"That Leitrim County Council calls on the IDA to prioritise it’s discussions with Bank of America to find a purchaser for their facility in Carrick on Shannon, so that over 700 jobs can be retained."

13. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;

"Having regard to the fact that the Government and the EU have invested billions of Euros to provide free of charge sewerage services at no cost to urban dwellers Leitrim County Council opposes any cost imposed by the Government on the owners of single houses sewerage systems through the proposed compulsory inspection of septic tanks and other
single house sewerage systems. We the members of Leitrim County Council also urge the Government and the EU to fund any remedial works that arise from compulsory inspections."

14. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McSharry;**

"I would ask Leitrim County Council to explore the possibility of looking to develop the old railway line in North Leitrim into a cycle greenway until such time that the old railway line can be restored to its former glory. This type of redevelopment would be of huge benefit to local tourism and Leitrim in general."

15. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"I ask the Director of Services what is the up-to-date position regarding the application for funding for a new fire station in Ballinamore which is urgently in need of refurbishment."

16. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;**

"I call on Minister Hogan not to put any charge on households who use septic tanks and ask this Council to bring in the Bye-Law that Cavan has which left Europe happy and did not cost the households. I have a copy of Minister Hogan's views which he gave to the Joint Committee on the Environment, Heritage & Local Government debate dated 15th July 2008 where he stated the problems of some septic tanks and requested that assistance would be provided for people to upgrade their septic tanks to an appropriate standard where necessary. Now that Minister Hogan is in a position that he can bring his views forward hopefully he will."

17. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;**

"I ask Leitrim County Council to consider the current difficulties for residents at the Waterfront Apartments at Leitrim Village and if a report from Planning/Building Control could be considered for this meeting? I call on the Council to report to members what the status currently is regarding sewage facilities there and whether the Environment Department are happy with the current arrangements."

18. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;**

"I propose that Leitrim County Council put in place traffic restrictions/safety measures in its housing scheme at Radharc an tSpeipeal, Drumkeerin. Residents are seriously concerned for their safety, and in particular the safety of young children."

19. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;**

"At the September meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask for the support of members in calling on the Minister for Finance and the Joint Oireachtais Committee on Finance, to formulate a policy to incentivise and reward voluntary and community work. This policy
should ensure that members of our community who voluntarily contribute long hours to the benefit of society should receive either tax credits or tax exemptions to ensure that we encourage more people to get involved and acknowledge those who continue to give voluntarily to their communities."

20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Dolan;

"I call on Leitrim County Council to allow a presentation to be given at the October Council meeting by FRAC Educational Group in relation to gas fracking."

21. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;

"I propose that we the Members of Leitrim County Council call on the Government Ministers of Finance, Transport and Environment to reverse the shocking decisions on Road Development in County Leitrim and affecting our County in particular N16, N15 and N4, the Carrick & Manorhamilton By-Pass projects and the improvements to the R280. All of these works are essential to the County's progression and are very good job creation works. We also call on the Government to ensure that all these schemes are given priority status in any new National Development Plan."

22. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;

"At the September Council Meeting I will ask Leitrim County Council to bring in independent person(s) or body to present the pros and cons of the extraction of gas from the ground by means of Fracking. This should happen at the earliest opportunity."

23. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Frank Dolan;

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure when it is hoped to have the problem with the pumping stations on the water scheme in Killargue solved. This is an ongoing problem that is leaving homes without water on a regular basis, very often for the duration of a weekend."

24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to seek clarification from the Minister for the Environment on the exact position regarding the proposed inspection of private septic tanks: (a) What agency is charged with carrying out the inspections (b) the cost of any such inspections (c) The likely availability of financial support/grant aid to carry out any improvements or upgrades deemed necessary following the inspection which would be only fair given that householders who are fortunate enough to have connections to public sewers are not asked to contribute to any improvements required to those systems or treatment plants."
25. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"I ask this Council to seek clarification from Minister Varadkar at the Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport on when the N4 Carrick-on-Shannon to Dromod bypass will commence. This project will provide valuable employment to the area at construction stage but in the long term will also enhance transport links with the rest of the country which is a vital component in attracting business and employment to this area."

26. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"At the next meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask that this Council take the necessary actions to secure the unfinished building site known as Forest Park, Kinlough. Currently this site poses serious health and safety risks."

27. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John McCartin;

"Department of Transport figures show that the cost of transporting the average child to school for the year is in the region of €1,000. In fact the entire school transport costs (as paid to the private contractor) for some small rural schools is only €23 per day. In light of this fact, I ask that Leitrim County Council ask Minister Ciaran Cannon to review the role of Bus Eireann in school transport and ensure that the private sector gets an equal opportunity to provide this service."

28. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I request Leitrim County Council to ask the HSE why it took an Ambulance over one hour to collect a patient who was involved in an accident in Cloone."

Part II - Questions.

29. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to carry out some works at the sharp corner just past the entrance to the Mohill Civic Amenity and Recycling Centre (Td Tullybraden). This is a very hazardous bend and should not take much work or expense to put right."

30. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Reynolds;

"I ask the Director of Services, Planning, Community & Economic Development when will the Council be in a position to take in charge the following housing estates in Carrick on Shannon: Shannon Grove, Cnoc na Sí, Dún Rí, Lisnagot and Cluain Sí. Also are there any other housing estates in Carrick on Shannon that have made an application to be taken in charge, the names of any such estates, and what is the current status of each application."

31. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;

"I ask the Directive of Services, Infrastructure if it is Council policy, as stated at previous Council meetings, to create lay-bys or tar and chip in front of houses where possible along local roads, to allow for the meeting of two cars or School Buses on those narrow country
roads."

32. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda Stenson;**

"A section of the road from the Rosebank Group Housing Scheme over to past the NCT Centre in Carrick on Shannon is very dangerous as there is no footpath at a bend thus forcing people walking to walk out into oncoming traffic. Monies were provided for the upgrade of this road in previous budgets. May I ask could improvements be carried out here."

33. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McSharry;**

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure to examine the road surface on the cul-de-sac at Kilroosk, Churchmount, Manorhamilton. The residents are concerned that during the bad weather last winter, the road surface was badly cut up and are there any plans to upgrade the surface on this road."

34. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McSharry;**

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure to examine the lack of water pressure in the Ahanlish area in Glenade, specifically in the house of (Name supplied) and the houses closest to the reservoir. (Name Supplied) and other houses in the surrounding area have intermittent water supply throughout the day."

35. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"I ask the Area Engineer if they will extend the public lighting at Foghera Lane, Ballinamore that presently only goes as far as Brendan Gormley’s property. There have been a number of additional properties built along this laneway over the past few years which are not served by any public lighting resulting in it presenting a danger to pedestrians & in particular small children from passing traffic."

36. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gordon Hughes;**

"I ask the Area Engineer if they will carry out landscaping on the Carrigallen approach road to Ballinamore at the junction with the Line Road. The Tidy Towns have done great work to improve this area in recent times but more funding is needed from the local authority to help improve the visual aspect as no significant works regarding landscaping have been done by the authority since this road was completed."

37. **To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;**

"I request Mr John Mc Guinness, Director of Services, Infrastructure to provide sewerage connections to the residents of the Lock Estate in Rooskey. This estate which was built in the 90's consists of 5 houses and was in place before funding was secured for the sewerage scheme. Those houses should have been provided with a connection when the ground works on the sewerage scheme were being carried out. I have been contacted over the summer months by some of the residents who are anxious to get connected up to the scheme."
38. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;

"To ask Mr John Mc Guinness, Director of Services, Infrastructure, to immediately set about issuing hedge cutting notices to all landowners including the Forestry companies, throughout the County as a number of hedges are overhanging the roads and are a danger to motorists and pedestrians alike & could lead to serious accidents occurring."

39. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;

"Will the Director of Services for Infrastructure consider traffic calming measures/warning signage at the road leading to the Mahanagh/R280 road junction at the ‘Galley Bridge’, Drumshanbo. There are a large number of houses very close to the road and the speed of the traffic is very fast for a built up area. I urge Leitrim Co Council to do something here in the short term, coupled with a consideration of reducing the speed limit here in the medium term."

40. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;

"I wish to ask the Director for Community and Planning what future plans there are for the ‘Teach Ceoil’ at the Acres Amenity Area, Drumshanbo?"

41. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;

"At the September meeting I will ask the County Manager to consider including an annual contribution towards the Leitrim Community Games, in the Council’s budget to assist the organisation continue its great work with the youth of Leitrim. I would also ask that consideration would be given, this year, to making a contribution to the group who successfully brought Leitrim’s Under 10 boys and girls to an All Ireland football Final and won. This was a fantastic achievement and should be acknowledged."

42. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sinead Guckian;

"I request the Carrick on Shannon Area Engineer to erect a “Concealed Entrance” sign on the Liscallyroan road, Drumsna on the approach to Mr John Joe Briens house."

43. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;

"When will Leitrim County Council carry out the necessary repairs on Lisacoghill Bridge in order to render it safe for the public."

44. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;

"I ask what extra measures will Leitrim County Council undertake to deal with the high level of illegal dumping that is currently taking place throughout the County and does Leitrim County Council have a list of businesses and households availing of the existing waste disposal service?"

45. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure and the District Engineer when it is proposed to re-instate and surface dress the old N15 road from the Diamond Bar to the Drowes Bridge at Tullaghan? These works were to be done with the Development Charges which
were collected.

46. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Tony Ferguson;

"I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure what progress is being made on the provision of sewerage services in Rossinver and if any piping is in place to accommodate developments."

47. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;

"Can I ask Leitrim County Council to investigate the problem of water running into the driveway of two houses in the townland of Corraleskin, Kiltyclogher, Road No: LT61214-1. This problem arises when there is heavy rain. The houses are the 1st two houses coming off the R281?"

48. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;

"Can I ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure if action can be taken to prevent re-occurrences of leaks at Riverview, Kiltyclogher where there was no water for a considerable length of time last year when there was severe frost. The water pipes seem to be laid close to the surface."

49. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Frank Dolan;

"I will ask the Director of Services, Infrastructure to consider the inclusion of the Gleanneague Road in Differeen, Glencar in next years Roads Programme. This road is in poor condition."

50. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;

"What can Leitrim County Council do to stop Fracking in Lough Allen?"

51. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Francis Gilmartin;

"Can a Group Water Scheme that wants to upgrade receive grant assistance?"

52. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to liaise with the landowners in the townland of Drumcoura between the junction at Drumcoura Cross and the Local Road LS5520-0 with a view to having the hedges cut back in the interest of safety, particularly with the reopening of schools and the increase in traffic including buses associated with schools."

53. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Paddy O'Rourke;

"I would ask that Leitrim County Council carry out the necessary patching to road at Gulladoo, Carrigallen."

54. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Gerry Kilrane;

"I ask that Leitrim County Council provide suitable signage at the entrance to the Shannagh Grove Estate in Mohill to ensure safe entrance and egress for residents."
55. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"I ask that Leitrim County Council carry out urgent repairs to the Rookrey Road which links the Coast Rd and the N15 at Wardhouse."

56. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor Siobhan McGloin;

"I ask that Leitrim County Council carry out maintainance at Derrynaseer Amenity Area as a matter of urgency, and that they engage with the local community and other bodies to develop a plan to keep the area in good condition."

57. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to erect a 'Yield Right of Way' sign at Corduff Road in Annaduff."

58. To consider the following Question submitted by Councillor John Ward;

"I ask Leitrim County Council to erect a sign at Cloonsheebane, Hartley, Carrick on Shannon as the road narrows at that point and it is very dangerous."