

2nd January, 2018

***Cathaoirleach agus Gach Ball,
COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA.***

A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held **in the Council Chamber, Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim on Monday 8th January 2018 at 11.00 am** 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,

Joan Lowe
Meetings Administrator
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1. Deimhniu Miontuairisci
 - a. Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras an Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon on Monday, 6th November, 2017 (copy enclosed).
 - b. Minutes of Budget Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras an Chontae on Monday, 27th November, 2017 (copy enclosed).
2. To receive progress report on the Council's Corporate Plan in accordance with Section 134 of the Local Government Act 2001 as amended (Report enclosed).
3. To receive report on Programme of Capital Projects for the forthcoming three years in accordance with Section 135 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended (Report enclosed).
4. To approve the Disposal of Freehold Interest in House at No 16 Dristernan, Drumshanbo, Co Leitrim and adjoining site comprising circa 0.717 acres (0.29 hectares) in the townland of Drumshanbo, Co Leitrim (Freehold Interest Registered in name of Leitrim County Council – Folio No LM115L) in accordance

with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of Freehold interest in house, and adjoining site comprising circa 0.717 acres (0.29 hectares) in the townland of Drumshanbo, Co Leitrim dated 22nd December 2017 which was circulated to each Member.

5. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for October and November 2017 in accordance with the provisions of Section 136(2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 (Reports previously circulated).
6. To review and amend the existing Casual Trading Byelaws (adopted in 2009 and reviewed in 2013) pursuant to Section 6 of the Casual Trading Act 1995 in relation to the control, regulation, supervision and administration of casual trading in Co. Leitrim. (Report enclosed).
7. To include an additional exemption / waiver (with respect to applicants participating in the testing of Zero Discharge Wastewater Treatment & Disposal Systems in Co. Leitrim) and to amend the wording of an exemption / waiver (with respect to extensions) and a reduction (with respect to replacement houses) in the County Leitrim Development Contributions Scheme 2016-2019. (Report enclosed).
8. To approve increasing the loan in the sum of €152,750 which was previously approved by the Members at County Council Meeting on Monday, 11th January 2016 to €167,392. The loan has been provided to the North West Simon Community for the purposes of the purchase of 2 dwellings in Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim. (Report enclosed).
9. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001.
10. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
11. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
12. Correspondence (enclosed).
13. Presentation from the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine.

Part I - Notice of Motions.

14. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Padraig Fallon;

"That the medical criteria for entry to the drivers and passengers with Disabilities Tax

Relief Scheme be amended to include those without the use of one hand or arm. That the Minister of State for Disabilities and the Minister for Finance be contacted with a view to seeking this amendment and that this Notice of Motion be passed on to all other Local Authorities."

15. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Des Guckian;

"That we the Members of Leitrim County Council urge the Irish Government to set about collecting, with vigour, the outstanding tax bill, of €13 billion euro approximately, owed by The Apple Corporation and that we fight them in any delaying appeal they may bring before the Court of Justice of the European Union."

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

"It's a number of months now since we were presented with the news of the cost of each new percolation system, on the building of a rural house. As we have all agreed this cost is prohibitive and will defeat the purpose of this Pilot Scheme. I'm sure that we would all agree to immediately contact Minister English to express our concerns that this much needed Pilot Scheme cannot progress, and I believe that the Department should fund this Pilot Scheme as it is in the interest of rural dwellers throughout Ireland that a solution is found to this problem."

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

"I ask for the support of the Members in calling on the Chief Executive to reactivate the Centenary Committee with a view to developing a continued programme of Leitrim specific events marking the decade of Centenaries. At the end of the successful 1916-2016 Leitrim programme it was agreed by this Council to broaden and continue the work of the committee, to provide a plan for Leitrim to commemorate the following years and the historical significance of same, in the county."

18. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Justin Warnock;

"Due to our rural population and no town with 10,000 residents, there is nothing for County Leitrim in the National Planning Framework 2020-2040 or in the Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy (RSES) proposals. Therefore as a matter of urgency, I will ask that our Chief Executive, Joseph Gilhooly, lead a delegation on behalf of the citizens of County Leitrim to meet Minister Eoghan Murphy, to demand that measures are put in place to ensure that this county has a future. Under the NPF 2020-2040 if Leitrim fails, so will the rest of rural Ireland."

19. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Felim Gurn;

"The proposed changes to the drink driving legislation will inevitably result in the further isolation of people living in rural Ireland. Welcome as it is, the recently announced proposal to extend the rural bus service operated by the Rural Transport Network only covers a small portion of North Leitrim. I propose that the Executive contacts the Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport, Mr. Shane Ross TD to have all of the North Leitrim area included in the scheme."

20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Brendan Barry;

"I request that Leitrim County Council opposes Irish involvement in the European Union's Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO), which is a progression towards the establishment of a European army and damages Irish neutrality. Irish taxpayers money would be better spent in Ireland instead of spending in European militarization."

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

"As we begin the New Year, I am asking Leitrim County Council to engage with the O.P.W and the Kiltyclogher Community Council with regard to having a Tour Guide at Sean MacDiarmada's Homestead during the tourism season. Also if funding can be sourced for Information Panels on site at MacDiarmada's Homestead, it is very important to have these panels for tourists that visit outside opening hours."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Justice as a matter of urgency to provide extra Garda resources to our rural areas and to seriously consider re-opening many of the Garda Stations that have been closed. The so called 'Smart Policing' is not working."

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

"I ask the Chief Executive to write as a matter of urgency to the Minister for Housing, Planning & Local Government, Mr. Eoghan Murphy TD, to provide funding to assist those participating in the Zero Discharge Waste Water Treatment System Pilot Programme as the cost of participation outlined at the workshop in the Bush Hotel of €55,000 is prohibitive and will result in most shortlisted applicants not being in a position to participate."

24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Finola Armstrong-McGuire;

"I ask what procedure is being followed to ensure household waste is being disposed of properly. I am aware that bin collection is available to houses in the county. Is it now available to all? Are there any checks done on households where no bins have been requested?"

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

"I ask this Council to check out if the MBNA Building in Carrick-on-Shannon is for sale and if so maybe this Council might consider buying it at a portion of what it is costing to build the new offices, ready to walk into by all the staff and by selling the existing offices, could offset the cost of the MBNA offices and would take away a lot of traffic from the middle of Carrick-on-Shannon."

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

"I call on the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to put in place a fodder fund for farmers who are in difficulty with a shortage of fodder."

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

"I ask the support of the members in calling on Minister Michael Ring to over rule the proposal by Pobal to reduce the funding for the Community Services Programme(CSP) being operated at The Ballagh Centre in Rossinver. The proposed cut of €57,000 would have a very serious effect on the services being delivered in the area."

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

"I call upon Leitrim County Council to contact the Minister for Agriculture, Food and Marine with a view to providing support for the many farmers who are experiencing fodder shortage on their farms.

Further to Minister Andrew Doyle's visit in the early days of November no action has been taken, meanwhile the situation has worsened."
