

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA

**Áras An Chontae
Cora Droma Ruisc**

5th January, 2016

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

A Chara,

A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held **in the Community Centre, Kiltyclogher, Co Leitrim, on Monday 11th January 2016 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,

Sinead Flynn
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, 2nd November, 2015 (copy enclosed).
 - b. Minutes of Budget Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras an Chontae on Monday, 23rd November, 2015 (copy enclosed).
2. To adopt the Local Economic and Community Plan in accordance with Section 66B (1) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as inserted by Section 44 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014).(Plan enclosed, report to follow).
3. To adopt the Draft Housing Allocation Scheme, 2016 in accordance with Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 2009 and Social Housing Allocation Regulations 2011 (S.I No. 198 of 2011).'(Draft Allocation Scheme enclosed).
4. To approve the raising of a loan in the sum of €152,750 to be provided to the North West Simon Community for the purposes of the purchase of 2 dwellings in Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim, under Section 6 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1992 subject to the sanction of the Department of the Environment, Community & Local Government. (Report enclosed).

5. To note the commencement of the preparation of a new Draft Polling Scheme for Leitrim County Council. (Report to follow).
6. To consider proposal to change street name of Lower Main Street, Manorhamilton to Street Sean McDermott (Sraid Sean MacDiarmada).
7. To consider the Audit Report for the year 2014 in accordance with Section 121(1) of the Local Government Act, 2001 (Report enclosed).
8. 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).
9. 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 to follow).
10. To receive an update on the recent flooding event.
11. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for October and November 2015 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).
12. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
13. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
14. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
15. Correspondence (enclosed)
16. To receive a presentation from the Irish Congress of Trade Unions (ICTU).

Part I - Notice of Motions.

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

"That all the Elected Members and the Officials of Leitrim County Council join together to impress upon the outgoing Government that it is most urgent that the River Shannon be immediately dredged. This is vital in order to prevent the disastrous flooding of December, 2015 and the earlier one of November, 2009 recurring."

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

"At the January meeting of Leitrim County Council, I will ask the Chief Executive if the Council's full costs for dealing with the flooding in the county, both material and manpower costs, will be met by the Government. I will also ask for the support of Members in requesting that the OPW includes as a priority, under their CFRAM project (Catchment Flood Risk Assessment and Management project) areas where agricultural lands and public infrastructure are affected by

flooding. Following the recent public consultation process, it is evident that clusters and urban centres of domestic and commercial buildings are being given priority and consideration, under the Risk Assessment reports and maps, but little regard is given to farmlands, public infrastructure (such as roads, bridges and amenities) and less densely populated communities susceptible to flooding."

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

"In order to alleviate the effects of flooding in the coming years I propose that the Council liaise with landowners whose properties border roads that are liable to flooding and build up a database of all the drains and gullies on these roads. Where flooding is likely to occur the Council should allocate resources to ensuring these drains and gullies are free of blockages"

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

"Recent flooding has been blamed on many things. How many boards, companies, authorities have studied climate, dredging, planning, building. Each county affected has personnel in their Environment Departments who have informed opinions on the causes. Please provide the Members with a short outline on what our Environment Section believe is in need of attention. Leitrim County Council cannot let the winter of 2015 be treated as unusual."

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

"I ask will the Volunteers that worked so hard to keep Floods controlled over the lengthy spell of flooding, be compensated for their effort, time and materials used, from the Government emergency Fund, throughout the County and particularly those around Carrick and Leitrim Village which were hardest hit."

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

"At the January of Leitrim County Council I will ask the Chief Executive to make contact the Office of Public Works and other County Councils in the Shannon region with a view to putting in place strategies for the management of the River Shannon.

I specifically would welcome plans for the setting up of a single Body to manage the river, a statutory body that will have responsibility for managing water levels on the river, and that will take on the responsibility for cleaning and dredging the main river channel and tributaries.

I call on Central Government to adequately fund such a body to also enable it to construct proper flood defences. This needs to be done now because as we have seen here in Leitrim and other counties right along the Shannon is that the record levels of flooding in 2009 and this year are no longer the one in fifty year floods we had heard of. These floods will be a recurring reality in the lives of the citizens in the riverside towns, villages, homes and farms affected and may even worsen over time. These areas cannot sustain such economic damage again and again. Common sense dictates that one body has to have overall responsibility for managing the river and protecting these vulnerable communities."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Justice in conjunction with the Minister for Finance and their respective Departments to consider allocating grant aid and introduce incentives towards the installation of burglar alarms in homes."

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

"At the January Council meeting, I will be asking for signage for the 2016 Celebrations, especially on roads leading into Leitrim from neighbouring counties."

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

"I call on the Director of Services, Economic Development, Planning, Environment and Transportation to liaise with the people of Kiltyclogher and Cashel, Co. Fermanagh with a view to seek funding to develop a cross border cultural and heritage tourism enterprise which would guarantee the survival of these communities for generations to come."

26. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Seadhna Logan;

"That Leitrim County Council call on this Government to set up a single authority with sole responsibility for flood defence and crisis response nationwide."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council prepare plans and apply for funding to provide L.E.D. display lights which warn motorists when they are travelling too fast at the county's national schools."

28. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Martin Kenny;

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Government to make April 24th a public holiday this year and every year, as it is the date the 1916 Rising began and the Irish Republic was declared."

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

"I call upon this Council to unanimously call for the setting up of one agency to control all affairs regarding the management of the river Shannon. And also the re-establishment of local drainage boards which the former Minister for the Environment, Phil Hogan abolished. These boards while grossly under funded, managed to have some very important work carried out during their existence the absence of which is becoming evident with some very dangerous localised flooding."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for the Environment (a) to provide emergency funding as a matter of urgency for county road repairs due to damage caused by the recent heavy rains and (b) to restore at once funding for Local Improvement Schemes."

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

"As the R202 passing through Ballinamore and Swanlinbar connects Enniskillen and Longford, I propose that this Council engage with Cavan County Council and the Department of Transport to secure it is upgraded to a National route."

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

"I propose that this Council put in place a plan that all Forestry Companies State or Private sign a Bond between themselves and the Council to cover the cost of restoring the roads in question back to a proper state of repair before any loads of timber are allowed onto the roads so the works on the roads can start as soon as the forestry work finishes."
