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, 5th September 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

   Minutes of Leitrim County Council Meeting held in the Council Chamber, Aras-an-Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim on Monday, 11th July 2016 (copy enclosed).

2. To approve the Chief Executive’s Report and Recommendation pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2015 & Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 - 2015, for the construction of a footpath along the R288 outbound from Dromahair, extending for a distance of 200m from the existing footpath as far as the entrance to the GAA grounds. (Report enclosed).

3. To approve the Chief Executive’s Report and Recommendation pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2015 & Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 - 2015, for the provision of a new walking / cycling route to extend for a distance of 4.5km from Manorhamilton town centre as far as the new Glencar, Manorhamilton GAA Grounds at Boggaun. (Report enclosed).


5. To receive an update on Leitrim County Council’s Budgetary Process.

6. To note proposed Town and Village Renewal Scheme.

7. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for June, 2016 and July, 2016 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).
8. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.

9. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.

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

12. Correspondence (enclosed).


**Notices of Motions**

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

"Further to my previous Notice of Motions to Leitrim County Council where I proposed that enhancement works be carried out at Corry Strand and that facilities be upgraded, specifically toilet and shower facilities as well as a slipway for boats be installed. Can I ask what progress has been made?"

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

"That we, the Elected Members, stand opposed to any attempts to water down the 8th Amendment to the Constitution and thereby open the door to abortion on demand in Ireland."

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

"I will ask for the support of members in calling on the Minister for Health to intervene and address the current delays being experienced attaining appointments to the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in this region. Currently there are children and teenagers, who have been assessed and referred to this service but they are now left waiting, some over 12 months, for their initial appointment with CAMHS."

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

"I will ask the Director of Services, what is the up to date position with regard to discussions with the his colleagues in Roscommon County Council, in relation to having a joint approach to the Department of Transport in seeking to secure funding for the provision of a much needed footbridge alongside the Bridge over the river Shannon at Rooskey. It is extremely dangerous for the many people both local and tourists who use the bridge on a daily basis. Funding had been committed in the form of a Specific Improvement grant in 2009 but was subsequently withdrawn when the downturn in the economy occurred."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to provide bus shelters in our villages and towns which have daily bus services from monies allocated for the Village and Town Renewal Scheme. These towns/villages unfortunately don't meet the criteria for the National Transport Authority to supply shelters, which is urban areas of 1000+ residents"

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council if they have lands available in towns and villages in the county for future housing developments?"
20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Seadhna Logan;

"I propose that for the next phase of the Gateway scheme Leitrim County Council look at a wider variety of locations to benefit from the additional staff. The last phase of Gateway primarily benefitted enhancement and works in Carrick on Shannon and Ballinamore. There needs to be a fairer distribution of these scheme workers across the county. Gateway has been a great scheme and has hugely benefitted the areas which have had the staff allocated, so let's ensure a fairer distribution that will benefit a greater proportion of the county's population."

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

"As a further support to the recently launched IFA/An Garda Síochána Theft Stop Scheme to help combat machinery theft from farmyards, we call on the Minister for Regional Development, Rural Affairs, Arts and the Gaeltacht Heather Humphreys in the absence of sufficient garda resources being made available, to give consideration to grant aiding the installation of cctv cameras at remote farmyard locations."

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

"I ask that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for Jobs, Enterprise and Employment Mary Mitchell O'Connor highlighting our suitability in this county for the establishment of a Pharma B Vigilance Unit. Within the county we already have experts working in the field, however, government bodies need to come on board and highlight our strengths to the EMA."

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

"In light of the huge number of burst water mains pipes over the past 12 months, and the cost of repairing same, may I ask is there a plan in place by Irish Water/Local Authority to immediately lay new water main pipes in the worst affected areas, where water outage seem to be occurring every other day."

24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Caroline Gildea;

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the minister for Children and Youth Affairs to provide Ballinamore Childcare with the necessary funding to provide a fulltime childcare service. There is an immediate need for families in Ballinamore to receive a full time childcare service, as it is the only town of its size in County Leitrim without this crucial service. Full time childcare services are essential for the wider society and the economy. It allows parents, especially women, to return to the labour force and steer clear of potential poverty traps. It sets children on the path to educational attainment and provides employment to the many valuable workers in the childcare sector."

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

"I request that Leitrim County Council contact the Minister for Agriculture Michael Creed asking him to include payments for the cutting of roadside hedges as an option under the Glas Scheme and any future similar scheme and that we also contact the Minister with responsibility for Local government and the Environment Simon Coveney requesting that he make funding available to Leitrim County Council to implement a grant scheme which would be available to landowners and community groups for the cutting of dangerous/overgrown roadside hedges. I believe a relatively small amount of money spent on these measures would greatly improve road safety."

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

"I ask for the unanimous support of this Council in calling on the Minister for Social Protection Leo Varadkar to reverse the cuts to the Farm Assist Scheme and restore the eligibility criteria to what was originally set down by Eamon O Cuiv in 1998 when he introduced the scheme. Farm Assist is a lifeline for many families particularly those with dependents who are experiencing great hardship with all the associated costs, while many single people providing care for elderly parents and relatives depend on the scheme also. The Minister has the means to solve this in the forthcoming budget if he has the will to do it."
27. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Mary Bohan;

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Health Simon Harris T.D and the HSE to urgently review the current Home Care Package for older persons. The current scheme is totally inadequate and is causing serious hardship for families."

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

"As a border county, VRT has a crippling effect on business here compared with our neighbours. As the EU Commission steers towards phasing out Vehicle Registration Tax and following a recent European Court ruling against the legitimacy of convictions of those caught not paying VRT. I propose that Leitrim County Council formally ask the Ministers for Finance and Transport what contingency plans they have to replace lost revenue in the event of the abolition of VRT."