

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA**

**Áras An Chontae  
Cora Droma Ruisc**

**1<sup>st</sup> March, 2016**

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

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**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 7<sup>th</sup> March 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 Special Election Meeting of Leitrim County Council for the purpose of appointing a representative to the Governing Authority of NUI Galway held in Kiltyclogher Community Centre, Kiltyclogher, Co Leitrim on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 (copy enclosed).
  - b. Minutes of Council Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Kiltyclogher Community Centre, Kiltyclogher, Co Leitrim on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2016 (copy enclosed).
2. (a) To consider disposal of freehold interest in Rural Cottage No 402 and adjoining site comprising circa 0.992 acres (0.401 hectares) in the townland of Killinaker, Dromod, Co Leitrim in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to Dispose of freehold interest in Rural Cottage dated 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 which was circulated to each Member.  
  
(b) To consider the disposal of a portion of land in the townland of Tully Ballinamore, Co. Leitrim (0.0098ha) to Michael McMahon, Tully, Ballinamore, Co Leitrim in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of land at Tully, Ballinamore, Co. Leitrim dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 2016, which was circulated to each Member.

(c) To consider the disposal of a portion of land in the townland of No 17 Summerhill, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim (0.015ac) to Niall & Tanya Scollan, No 17 Summerhill, Carrick-on-Shannon in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of land at No 17 Summerhill, Carrick on Shannon, Co. Leitrim dated 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2016 which was circulated to each Member.

3. To adopt the Leitrim County Council Annual Service Delivery Plan 2016. (Report enclosed).
4. To adopt the Road Works Programme 2016 as approved by the Municipal Districts.
5. To adopt Leitrim County Council's Play & Recreation Policy 2016-2019 (Draft enclosed).
6. To note schedule of uncollected rates.
7. To note Rate Collection Report for 2015 (Report enclosed).
8. To consider Report from the Audit Committee for 2015 (Report enclosed).
9. To approve the Draft Litter Management Plan 2016-2017 to go on public display and to receive a presentation on Waste Enforcement Regional Lead Authority (WERLA) (Report enclosed).
10. To note proposals in relation to the allocation of grants under the terms of the Arts Act 2003
11. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for December 2015 and January 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).
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. Presentation from EIR.

**Part I - Notice of Motions.**

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

"I propose that this Council call on the Minister for Social Protection and Pobal to increase the level of funding to Community Groups affected by the increase in the minimum wage which came into effect on 1st January, 2016.

All employers are obliged to pay the minimum wage, the extra cost of funding the increase has put huge pressure on already limited resources within the Community and Voluntary Sector. These struggling Community Groups simply cannot cover the extra cost required. I am asking the Minister and Department to provide the necessary funding that these groups need to survive immediately."

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

"That the planning application process, for rural areas in particular, be simplified and made into a series of easily understood steps, which if followed will lead to a successful outcome."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to contact the EPA immediately to seek professional expertise to find a workable and a feasible solution to the ongoing problem of waste water treatment systems, which is crippling the building of rural houses and is having a negative impact on job creation in County Leitrim. Doing nothing is not an option, as the survival of our rural communities demands this Council hastily finds a solution to this problem."

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

"I will ask for an update on the possibility of Council staff carrying out repairs on private roads."

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

"Following on from the outgoing Government's decision to increase ministerial planning powers over Local Authorities, we call on the incoming Government to rescind this law immediately. The change allows the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government to issue mandatory instructions which must be adopted regardless of the opinions of the Local Authorities or County Councillors on any planning application. This will result in an erosion of the powers of the peoples' representatives to have an input into local planning decisions. We have few enough powers as it is, unless this law is changed, local democracy will be even further demeaned."

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

"I ask that the Environment Department complete the following to engage people to assist with litter management in the county.

- Arrange that a timetable of national clean up dates is made available and well publicised;
- Provide an outline of assistance available to Community Groups involved in Tidy Town's, Pride of Place, Floral Pride etc;
- Consider new initiatives to assist the upkeep of our County e.g. perhaps the mechanical sweeper can be used on roads not normally enroute, waste disposal initiatives e.g. free access to the Mohill Recycling Centre for a limited time."

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

"I call on the support of Leitrim County Council in seeking a review by the Department of Education and Skills and Bus Eireann of the Primary School Transport Scheme, in particular, the emphasis on eligibility based on the applicant's proximity to the nearest school. The rule does not take into account that our primary school system is based on a parish model and not on proximity to the nearest school. If strictly applied the current eligibility rules will undermine rural communities because it will force children to be educated outside of their customary school."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Health and the HSE to take immediate steps to reduce waiting lists for people with disabilities, particularly children. The waiting times for diagnosis for various illnesses and services such as speech therapy is a serious concern and distress for families."

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

"I propose that the Housing Department of the Council put in place some form of a monitoring system in the estates that would prevent houses being kept or left in very poor conditions. Some pressure must be brought to bear on tenants to maintain houses to a reasonable standard."

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

"I request that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Agriculture to ensure that farmers still waiting on payments are paid promptly and that sufficient staff are put in place to ensure that this year's payments are paid on time."

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

"I ask for the support of all Members of Leitrim County Council, to support a call by the Members to ask Bus Eireann to meet the Members, and discuss the ongoing problems regarding our Primary School collection points, and the drastic effect this can /will have on rural communities."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to call on the Department of Agriculture to process the remainder of the National Reserve and Young Farmers Scheme Payments. A number of these applications were made over twelve months ago and were due to be paid in the first week of December, 2015. This situation is unacceptable and needs to be addressed immediately as it has put excess stress and pressure on young farmers in the area."

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