A Meeting of Leitrim County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim on Monday, 7th November, 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, 5th September, 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 realignment of the N16 National Primary Road in the townlands of Diffreen, Drummahan, Tawnmachugh and Mulkaun comprising the construction of a single carriageway road for a distance of 1.55 km. (Report enclosed).

3. To approve Leitrim County Council’s Draft Development Contribution Scheme - following the consideration of the Chief Executive’s Report and having regard to the recommendation made by the Minister of Housing, Planning and Local Government, to resolve to make the County Leitrim Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2019 in accordance with Section 48 (8) of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2015.


6. To consider disposal of No.9 Cluain Oir, Manorhamilton, Co Leitrim and adjoining site comprising circa 0.207 acres (0.084 Hectares) in the townland of Amorset, Manorhamilton,
Co. Leitrim as contained in Folio No. 17908F in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of No.9 Cluain Oir, Manorhamilton Co. Leitrim and adjoining site comprising circa 0.207 acres (0.084 Hectares) in the townland of Amorset, Manorhamilton, Co. Leitrim dated 27th October, 2016 as circulated to the Members.

7. To approve overdraft accommodation in the sum of €1.5 million for the twelve month period ending 31st December 2017, subject to the sanction of the Minister for the Environment, Community and Local Government, in accordance with Section 106 (2) of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended.

8. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for August, 2016 and September, 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).

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.


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

13. Correspondence (enclosed).

**Notices of Motions**

**Part I - Notice of Motions.**

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

"I propose that this Council contact the OPW seeking an extension to the season which both Parke’s Castle and Sean Mac Diarmada’s cottage are open. Ideally the season should begin prior to St. Patrick’s Day and run until after the October Bank Holiday weekend."

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

"That we, the Elected Members, request that a summary copy of Manager’s Orders be circulated in advance of each Council meeting and that a slot be afforded to members, at each meeting, to ask questions in relation to the contents of Manager’s Orders."

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

"I will ask for the support of Members, in calling for an investigation by the Departments of the Environment and Agriculture with regard to the excessive planting, tying up of land for farming use and any potential environmental impact of certain types of tree planting in County Leitrim."

17. **To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McGowan;**
"I will ask the Chief Executive what, if any, progress has been made in relation to the development of a new Centre in recognition of the contribution of John McGahern to the County. Has any approach been made to the family to seek their approval for such a facility, has any source of funding been sought/identified, either state or private? The Centre could be both an Interpretative Centre and Workshop Space. Mohill would be an extremely relevant location for such a Centre, given the well knows Author’s affinity with the town."

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

"I will ask for the support of Members in seeking an explanation from Government and the Taoiseach, as to why Leitrim is one of 10 counties that have no representation on the newly formed Citizens Assembly and also to request an explanation as to why there wasn’t a fairer polling methodology employed to ensure all counties are represented."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council passes a motion congratulating all of the members of the Oireachtas, from this constituency in particular, for supporting the recent proposal to ban fracking within this jurisdiction. I would further like to put on record our appreciation for the magnificent selfless work undertaken by all of the local groups who have been to the forefront of the antifracking movement."

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

"I request that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Agriculture, Michael Creed to introduce a Land Drainage and Improvement Grant Scheme with rates comparable to Forestry Establishment Grants per acre. Grazed grass is the cheapest feed available to livestock farmers. Funding in this area would reduce the chances of fodder shortages, encourage farmers to have more productive swards which could be fully utilised and make more farms viable as a business by maximising returns from grazed grass."

21. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Caroline Mulvey;

"Leitrim County Council being concerned at the European Commission proposal that EU Member States should sign or support, an agreement allowing ‘provisional application’ of the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement (CETA) between Canada and the EU. That there are major concerns in Ireland and across Europe in relation to CETA. Leitrim County Council calls on the Irish Government:
-Not to sign up or authorise any ‘provisional application’ of the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement (CETA).
-To facilitate a full Dáil debate on this issue and declare that County Leitrim is a CETA/TTIP Free Zone."

22. 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 to provide adequate funding for the maintenance of our County Road Network and to introduce as a matter of urgency a ring-fenced allocation for the re-introduction of Local Improvement Schemes."

23. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Sean McDermott;
"I ask Leitrim County Council to engage with Coillte regarding the possibility of providing an Outdoor Pursuits Centre at Glenfarne Forest and Lake."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the GAA to reverse their policy of selling the exclusive broadcasting rights of Gaelic Games to subscription viewing channels and to return to the long held position of the GAA that ensured all Televised Championship Gaelic Games are shown on terrestrial Free to Air channels for all to see. If the GAA do not reverse this policy we will then call on the Minister for Communications to begin the process under the Broadcasting Act, 2009 to designate all Gaelic Games as being Free to Air."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to demand that the Department of Agriculture pay out all payments to the farmers that are due, especially to young farmers that are desperately awaiting payments. In some cases, the farmers are waiting up to two years for payments."

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

"I ask for the support of this Council to call upon the Minister of Environment to make allowances for the poor soil type we work with here in Leitrim when determining slurry spreading dates. The most recent debacle which resulted in farmers being unable to take advantage of the excellent weather conditions because of a fixed date is totally unacceptable and will have to be altered."

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

"I ask what works have been done by this County Council to relieve areas vulnerable to flooding if we experience heavy rainfall this winter? Have other bodies i.e. ESB, Waterways Ireland or others committed to doing works to relieve fears of flooding in the coming months?"

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

"That this Council would oppose the National Policy proposing staff less libraries and will not seek to go down this route as in some other counties. That this Council believes the MY Open Library scheme, from the Department of Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government, will inevitably lead to an erosion of services and will ultimately be very damaging towards library services."