

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA

**Áras An Chontae
Cora Droma Ruisc**

31st October, 2017

**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 6th November 2017 at 11.00 a.m.** 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 Chief Executive 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 Leitrim County Council on Monday, 4th September, 2017 (Copy enclosed).

2. To approve the Chief Executive's Report and Recommendation pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2017 and Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001-2017, for the provision of the realignment of the N16 National Primary Route in the townlands of Diffreen, Drummahan, Tawnamachugh and Mulkaun comprising the construction of a Type 2 single carriageway road for a distance of 1.55km from Diffreen Bridge to a location 760m east of the N16 junction with local road L-41382. The works will also include the improvement of 4 no. existing junctions off the N16, associated accommodation and fencing works, landscaping works, drainage works and ancillary works, including a number of stream diversions. The development will consist of a 7.0m carriageway with 0.5m hard strips, and an off-road 2-way cycle track located on the northern side of the proposed road. (Report enclosed).

3. To approve the transfer of a plot of land comprising 0.0023 hectares (Freehold) in the townland of Gortnaskeagh, Leckaun Folio No. LM 19158 in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of plot of land in the townland of Gortnaskeagh, Leckaun P.O dated 25th October, 2017 which was circulated to all Members.

4. To consider the disposal of the building known as the Courthouse in Drumkeerin, Co. Leitrim by means of a 10 year lease to North Connaught Youth and Community Services Ltd, Rockwood Parade, Sligo, Co. Sligo in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to Dispose of Courthouse Building dated 25th October, 2017 which was circulated to all Members.
5. To approve overdraft accommodation in the sum of €1.5 million for the twelve month period ending 31st December 2018, 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.
6. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for August, 2017 and September, 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).
7. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
8. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
9. To agree the date of the Annual Budget Meeting.
10. To consider the Winter Service Maintenance Plan 2017/2018. (Report enclosed).
11. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
12. Correspondence (enclosed).
13. To receive a Presentation from the Leitrim Comhairle Na nOg.

Part I - Notice of Motions

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

"I 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 as centre, given the well known Author's affinity with the town."

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

"Following the recent presentation on the successful potential of the Pilot "Waste Water one off zero discharge system", and the associated expensive costs of same, at the November meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask the Chief Executive to commence the process now, to adjust the Council's Development Contribution Scheme to waive the planning Development Contribution costs for any applicant who will be participating in this pilot scheme and therefore providing

valuable data and research for the sustainability of rural living and culture in Leitrim."

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

"That the Leitrim Chief Executive and Officials give us Councillors a guarantee that the now closed Mohill Landfill Dump is being maintained to the highest EPA environmental standards and that no seepage from it is getting into the town river or into Lough Rynn. How are the methane emissions and malodours from this dump being managed/lessened?"

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

"That this Council calls on the Minister for Community and Rural Development to take immediate action to reduce the delays in accessing Leader funding for community groups; to make a commitment that no Leader Programme funding will be diverted to other projects and to make a commitment that the funding for Leader will be restored as soon as possible."

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

"As a result of the recent storm, and the unfortunate death of three people due to trees falling, I propose that we make a ruling that all trees along the public roads, and in particular trees that are laden down with ivy, be cut immediately as we now know that they are a danger to the public."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council commence and develops a Scheme similar to or along the lines of the Rural Resettlement Scheme."

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

"In early October the European Commission issued a new set of guidelines in which it stated that farmland was a "special asset" and sales can be restricted to help limit price speculation and preserve local communities. In County Leitrim in 2016, 1,072 acres of land was planted and all these were private plantings. So on behalf of local communities from Tullaghan to Bornacoola and with the support of the Elected Members I ask Leitrim County Council to write to Mr. Michael Creed, Minister for Agriculture, Food and Forestry, to call for an immediate ban to granting Afforestation Licences to private companies in Leitrim."

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

"With another fodder shortage looming I request that Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Michael Creed to put in place a Land Drainage and Improvement Grant scheme as a long term solution to try and prevent this happening again. The Department needs to look for solutions not obstacles and design a scheme that will get European Commission approval and see all allocated funds being spent on machine hire and materials not assessments or bureaucracy. Land improvement would make Irish farms more viable, sustainable and efficient and add to Ireland's green image."

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 Justice Frances Fitzgerald asking that her Department review the criteria for Community Based CCTV System Installation in towns. I ask that she and her Department agree to increase the grant level from 40% to 75% and raise the

ceiling to €75,000. The ceiling is currently €40,000. This change would increase the uptake, which is the aim of the Scheme."

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

"I call upon the Department of Agriculture to deploy whatever number of extra staff it requires to proceed with the long overdue payments due and appeals under the GLAS Scheme. This delay is causing hardship for farmers who have had considerable outlay in order to participate in the Scheme."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on Mr. Shane Ross T.D., Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport to provide adequate resources to deal with the huge number of Local Improvement Schemes (LIS's) in County Leitrim awaiting funding and for new schemes to be accepted."

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

"At the November Council Meeting, I will ask that Community Centres and such buildings be used for voting on Election days instead of Primary Schools. I am asking Leitrim County Council to make enquires if this would be possible. We recently saw school days lost through weather conditions. I am aware that recently at a Committee Meeting of I.C.A, concerns were raised on the issues of Primary Schools been used on Election days."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Government and Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection to abolish the Jobpath Scheme as it is not fit for purpose."