

**COMHAIRLE CHONTAE LIATROMA**

**Áras An Chontae  
Cora Droma Ruisc**

**29<sup>th</sup> August, 2017**

**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 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017 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 Leitrim County Council on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 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 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 development of an extension to the existing Civic Offices and associated works at Áras an Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, of which the Old Jail is a protected structure and of which the complex of former jail structures, lie within the Carrick-on-Shannon Architectural Conservation Area. The development includes: the demolition of shed/workshop structure, demolition of lean-to extension to the Gate Lodge, removal of prefabricated structures; construction of a two-storey office building with three-

storey lift and staircase enclosure; refurbishment of the Old Jail to create a public concourse between the Áras and the new building; associated internal modifications to Áras an Chontae; opening of existing blind archway in the east stone boundary wall to the Dock (former Court House) at St. George's Terrace and reconfiguration of the site layout to provide additional car parking, ESB electrical switch room, ancillary works and landscaping. (Report enclosed).

4. To approve the transfer of a plot of land comprising circa 0.0089 Hectares (0.022 Acres) in the townland of Mohill, Mohill, Co. Leitrim currently registered in Folio No. LM 9503F in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of land at Mohill townland, Mohill Co. Leitrim dated 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 which was circulated to all Members.
5. To approve the transfer of a plot of land comprising 3.557 acres (1.440 Hectares) in the townland of Tawnymoyle, Manorhamilton (Freehold Interest registered in the name of Leitrim County Council – Folios NO. LM 12561F, LM 10306F, LM 1124F, LM 8624F) in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of land in the townland of Tawnymoyle, Manorhamilton, dated 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 which was circulated to all Members.
6. To approve the disposal of a plot of land comprising circa 0.0404 HA or thereabouts in the townlands of Attifinlay, Carrick-on-Shannon comprised in Folio No. 3664F of the Register of Freeholders County in accordance with Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 and Notice of Intention to dispose of land at Attifinlay, Carrick-on-Shannon dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2017 which was circulated to all Members.
7. To receive an update on Leitrim County Council's Budgetary Process.
8. To consider the Chief Executive's Report on Submissions received arising from the public consultation process in relation to the Setting of the Local Adjustment Factor for Local Property Tax Rates for 2018. (Report enclosed).
9. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for June, 2017 and July, 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).
10. To note commitments to be entered into under Section 138(1) of the Local Government Act 2001.
11. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
12. To note the resignation of the Chief Executive.
13. To approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
14. Correspondence (enclosed).
15. To receive a presentation from the Valuation Office.

**Part I - Notice of Motions.**

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

"That we, the Elected Members, condemn the withdrawal of proper face-to-face, in-bank banking services in County Leitrim, by Bank of Ireland and others. This is causing a lot of dissatisfaction for all users and great hardship for businesses. It is ironic that we, the public, were forced to bail out the banks and we are being "thanked" by the same banks by drastic cut-backs in their services."

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

"I propose that this Local Authority calls for the abolition, removal, and ending of prescription charges."

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

"I will propose that Leitrim County Council consider the establishment of a Rural Development Directorate. I believe this could be a way of putting much more of a focus on the needs of our small towns and villages and the rural areas that are struggling at the moment."

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

"At the September meeting of Leitrim County Council I will ask the CE how many "Minor Flood Mitigation Works & Coastal Protection Scheme" projects have been applied for by Leitrim County Council, to central Government and were successfully awarded funding by the OPW since the scheme was introduced in 2009 and for the details of same."

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

"I seek the support of Members in calling on the Department and the Minister Mr. Eoghan Murphy TD, to review the terms and conditions of the Housing Grant Scheme to allow Local Authorities to use discretion in the awarding of house repair grants for older people. In the case where an applicant has transferred ownership of their home over to one of their children, but they will still continue to live in their home for the rest of their days, that they would be entitled to apply for and receive grant approval for works on the merits of their own income."

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

"May I request support of Members in requesting the HSE to forward to the Council a full breakdown on existing staff and patient numbers at St. Patricks Hospital in Carrick-on-Shannon and also to outline the future plans regarding a new building at this location."

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

"The inadequate number of car parking spaces and attendant traffic management issues in Manorhamilton have unfortunately contributed to the recent closure of the last remaining retail shop on the Main Street of Leitrim's second largest town. Unless radical and imaginative measures to alleviate this perennial problem are undertaken by the Executive, the likelihood of new viable enterprises being established on the once thriving Main Street is remote and the possibility of more businesses closures increasingly likely."

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

"I ask that this Council will unanimously support a call to the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government for the introduction of a meaningful and workable scheme to renovate many of the vacant properties, which with a small amount of outlay could provide comfortable homes, small retail or work type premises. As it is generally agreed that the much flagged 'Rebuilding Ireland' introduced by Minister Coveney in 2016 has failed in its objectives principally because of the convoluted and complicated nature of it. We simply have to have a scheme to bring these many properties back into useful purpose."

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

In 2008, I believe a delegation from the Animal Health Board in New Zealand visited Ireland and the UK to share how they successfully reduced TB. At that time a vaccine which was successful in New Zealand on possums was trialled on badgers here to prevent them getting TB and found to be "Efficacious", They hoped that further studies would be carried out so that a licence would be granted for its use in Ireland, Has this happened? Has a vaccination programme been put in place? How does the Department of Agriculture plan to eradicate TB?

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on this Government to provide adequate investment in the Childcare Sector in Budget 2018, to alleviate the costs of childcare on families and to provide decent pay and conditions for Childcare Workers."

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

"I will also ask for the support of the Elected Members in calling on the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government Eoghan Murphy TD to ban the use of glyphosate weed killers in all public areas in our thirty-one local authorities."

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

"I propose that Leitrim County Council call on the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government to allow greater flexibility in relation to income calculation for Disabled Persons Grants."

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

"That Leitrim County Council seek further funding for flood relief and drainage measures as the existing allocations to the Council and Municipal Districts are wholly inadequate to deal with the need and demand for works in the county."

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

"Since the combined cost of servicing borrowings, maintenance and tax on rental income is almost double the actual rental income derivable on residential property, it is not economically viable for the private sector to provide residential property for the rental market. In order to encourage the private sector to provide affordable housing, I propose that Leitrim County Council ask the Minister for Finance to consider the implementation of a tax policy on residential rental income in line with other European countries."

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

"To ask this Council to reconsider granting Planning Permission to Wind Pylon Companies to erect large numbers of pylons in any one area, as the sight from them between Arigna and Drumkeerin have become an eye sore and destroys the view in that area."

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

"I ask that we write to Iarnrod Eireann requesting that signage be placed at Carrick-on-Shannon Railway Station highlighting the new Taxi Ranks which have been placed there by Roscommon County Council. Signage needs to be placed on the platform informing commuters that there is a ramped exit leading to the Taxi Rank where Taxis queue for customers. Signage should also be placed at the Taxi Rank encouraging Taxis to operate from the area."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council to consider a Housing Building Program in Kiltyclogher, as the community had great success over the summer inviting families to come to live in their village and to help save their Primary School from closing. Unfortunately there are not enough houses in Kiltyclogher for all the families who have indicated they want to live in Kiltyclogher."

