

**25<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

***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 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 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.

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Kieran Brett  
**Meetings Administrator**  
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1. Deimhniu Miontuairisci
  - (a) Minutes of Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Cloonmorris Community Centre, Bornacoola, Co Leitrim on Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019. (Copy enclosed).
  - (b) Minutes of Annual Meeting of Leitrim County Council held in Aras An Chontae, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co Leitrim on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019. (copy enclosed).
2. To approve the Chief Executive' s Report and Recommendation pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 - 2018 & Part 8 of the Planning & Development Regulations 2001 – 2018 to construct an extension to the north of the existing Rossinver Graveyard (In Partnership with Rossinver Graveyard Committee). The proposed development includes the provision of 145 no. new grave plots with access paths and all associated site works. (Report enclosed)

3. To approve the raising of a loan of €1,000,000 from the Housing Finance Agency (HFA) in accordance with Section 6 of the Local Government Act, 2001 for the purposes of financing housing loans. (Report enclosed).
4. To approve Draft SPC Scheme 2019-2024.
5. To approve Affordable Housing Scheme. (To follow).
6. To approve Allocations under the Tourism Support Scheme 2019.
7. To receive a report on the National & Local Performance Indicators, 2018. (Report enclosed).
8. To consider report from Corporate Policy Group.
9. To consider Monthly Management Reports by the Chief Executive for April 2019 and May 2019 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 approve the attendance of the Elected Members at forthcoming conferences.
12. Correspondence (enclosed).

### **Part I - Notice of Motions.**

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

"That Leitrim County Councillors agree that we are very opposed to blanket afforestation. As part of that opposition we must demand

1. That farm payments, in disadvantaged areas, be brought up to allow farmers earn a living income and
2. That all TDs must, now, oppose the changes in rules that see full forestry grants being given to all-comers, including vulture funds. Ireland must revert to the situation where full forestry plantation grants are paid to actual farmers or to people who live within 50 Km of the lands being planted. These demands to be sent to the DAFM and to each and every one of our TDs."

#### **14. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Cllr Mary Bohan;**

"I propose that Leitrim County Council meet a deputation from concerned residents regarding the proposed Croagh Wind Farm. I further propose that members of this delegation would address the Council at the September meeting."

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

"That forestry is put into the County Development Plan; to ensure forestry goes through the planning process as regards:

1. The amount of Silka Spruce planted per hectare.
2. That there is a mixture of hardwood trees planted per hectare.
3. That environmental conditions are considered:
  - a. Water pollution
  - b. Animal habitats
  - c. Sparrowhawk Conservation
4. The impact on the landscape of tree felling in tourist locations
5. Damage to roads - bonds be put in place.
6. Access and water supply to be considered to mitigate against future forest fires
7. Strict planning guidelines like for housing"

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

"I propose that this Local Authority reaffirm it's commitment to one off planning in light of recent revelations which come on foot of the 'Project Ireland 2040: National Planning Framework which will encourage more focused settlements in this country where cluster living around towns and villages will emerge."

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

"I will seek the support of Members in calling on the HSE & the Department of Health to Introduce a "Patient Health Record Card" similar in size to a credit card. This card would provide accurate health care records, it would also prevent time wasted by medical personnel, asking patients the same questions over and over again."

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

"I ask if Leitrim County Council have a standard policy in relation to the surfacing of the area between the edge of the public road and someone's boundary wall. During the canvass this issue was raised on numerous occasions."

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

"I ask the Engineer with responsibility for Sewerage schemes for a progress report on the approved Hartley to Carrick town extension."

**20. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Thomas Mulligan;**

"That Leitrim County Council include as a priority in our lighting programme the provision of public lighting on the Rinn road out from Mohill to the Rowing Centre and Caravan park. This is essential infrastructure to ensure maximum use of these facilities and also to strengthen the connection with Mohill."

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

"I ask can Leitrim County Council look at the possibility of having the county designated as a Carbon Neutral or Green County?"

**22. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Paddy Farrell;**

"I call on Leitrim County Council to contact the Minister of State for Justice at the Department of Justice and Equality, David Stanton TD to establish the sequence of events which resulted in the arrival of a number of refugees to Carrick-on-Shannon last week. Whereas I completely welcome and support Ireland providing accommodation both temporary and permanent to refugees I think it's unfair that their arrival in the town was carried out without any consultation with key stakeholders such as the Local Authority and indeed representatives of the local community."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to write to the Forest Service and request that all Afforestation Licence Applications for Leitrim be referred to them and to all other agencies including (EPA, NPWS, An Taisce, IFI) for comment prior to granting a Licence."

**24. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Ita Reynolds Flynn;**

"There is a lack of high dependency units in South Leitrim for people with high dependency needs. I have researched this issue and there are many other county councils whom have worked alongside the HSE, to ensure that such facilities are available throughout their counties. I request Leitrim County Council, to look into this matter as a matter of urgency."

**25. 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 reopen the GLAS Scheme for those farmers who have finished up Aeos and are under serious financial pressure with the loss of this income and to put in place plans to extend

Glas contracts until a new scheme can be opened. The loss of these payments means a more than 50% reduction to gross margin for many farms."

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

"I ask Leitrim County Council to call on Minister of Health, to instruct the HSE to honour the terms of the treatment purchase fund in providing the reimbursement to the patients under the terms agreed i.e. within 21 days of their claim. Unfortunately this is not the case now and patients are now being told that it may take at least three months for their claim to be processed placing many patients under severe financial strain because of short term loans that they had arranged to make the initial payment to the hospitals in Northern Ireland when having these procedures and operations carried out."

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

"I will ask Leitrim County Council what submissions have they made to the Government's National Risk Assessment in relation to forest fire risks in County Leitrim."

**28. To consider the following Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Enda McGloin;**

"I request that Leitrim County Council write to the Minister for Finance and Public Expenditure, Paschal Donohoe TD if his department would consider as part of budget 2020 initiating a feasibility study around a structured Tax Incentive scheme to include the redevelopment of commercial buildings with living accommodation (overhead) in our towns and villages to encourage owners and potential developers to invest in our towns and villages which could be cost neutral in the long run but provide the basis for town and village renewal within our County."

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