



## **Ordinary Meeting**

## 4<sup>th</sup> February 2019, Council Chamber

#### **1** Confirmation of Minutes

- 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018
- 1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Special Planning meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019
- 2 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 3 Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations
- 4 Disposal of Land in accordance with Statutory Notices circulated pursuant to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001

#### 5 Statutory Business

- 5.1 Corporate Services
  - 5.1.1 To approve the appointment of a replacement for the late Councillor Joe Reilly to the Board of Meath Arts Centre Ltd.
  - 5.1.2 To approve the appointment of a replacement for the late Councillor Joe Reilly to the Joint Policing Committee (JPC)
  - 5.1.3 To approve the appointment of a replacement for the late Councillor Joe Reilly to the Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise SPC
  - 5.1.4 To approve the appointment of a replacement Councillor to the Transportation SPC, following the resignation of Cllr. Seán Smith
  - 5.1.5 To approve a nomination to the board of Udarás na Gaeltachta in accordance with Section 16(2)(a)(vi) of the Gaeltacht Act 2012





- 5.1.6 To receive and note the Municipal District Allocation 2018 Report
- 5.1.7 To adopt the 2019 Annual Service Delivery Plan

#### 5.2 Planning

5.2.1 Having considered the proposed Variation No.5 (to remove the Phasing objective from residential lands off the Staleen Road in Donore to facilitate the supply of social and affordable housing supply in this area) to the Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019, together with the Chief Executive's report on submissions, if thought fit to resolve to make the variation, or to accept the Chief Executive's recommendations with or without further modification, or to refuse to make the variation, in accordance with Section 13 of the Planning & Development Acts 2000-2018

#### 5.3 Finance

- 5.3.1 To approve the raising of a loan of €5,000,000 from the Housing Finance Agency to provide finance for approved house purchase applications, loan restructuring and other housing loan related activities, as authorised by the Housing Acts 1966-1992.
- 5.3.2 To receive in accordance with Article 26 (2) of the Local Government (Financial and Audit Procedures) Regulations 2014, a report on Schedule of Uncollected Rates for 2018.

#### 5.4 Community

- 5.4.1 To receive a presentation on the Digital Strategy
- 5.4.2 To approve the Community Amenity Project Scheme 2019

#### 6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
  - 6.2.1 To approve, as agreed by the CPG, on the recommendation of the HCCD SPC, the draft Low Cost Private Site Scheme (Affordability Measure)





6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

#### 7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence from the Office of the Minister, Department of Health in response to Notice of Motion 9.2 adopted at the July 2018 meeting of the full Council re. national awareness campaign on aspirin use.
- 7.2 Correspondence from the Office of the Minister for Justice and Equality in response to Notice of Motion 9.8 adopted at the October 2018 meeting of the full Council re. reform the Irish Legal system.
- 7.3 Correspondence from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Motion 9.4 adopted at the November 2018 meeting of the full Council re. Local Government funding.
- 7.4 Circular Letter: PL 11/2018 Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Planning and Development (Amendment) (Fees) Regulations 2018 (S.I. No 501 of 2018) waiving a fee for the making of observations or submissions on planning applications by elected members.
- 7.5 Correspondence from Transport Infrastructure Ireland re. 2019 National Roads Allocations.
- 7.6 Circular LG 01/2019 Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Attendance by Elected Members at Out of Region Training Events in 2019.

#### 8 Notice of Question

#### 8.1 Submitted by Councillor Damien Reilly

"What procedures are in place to address the anti-social behaviour of tenants who contravene the rules set out in the Housing Tenancy Agreement and will the Council take action to evict such tenants?"

#### 8.2 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

*"How many Meath applicants have availed of the Rebuilding Ireland Home Loan Scheme in 2018?"* 





#### 8.3 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

"Can the Chief Executive outline the new enforcement powers for the collection of commercial rates, which would see Meath County Council imposing daily penalties on businesses in the county not paying rates?"

#### 8.4 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"Can Meath County Council provide figures for the number of litter fines issued during 2018, the number of fines paid, prosecutions taken and a breakdown of these figures between individuals and businesses. What was the total amount spent by the Council in 2018 in litter control and prevention? How many dog fouling fines were issued and how many were paid?"

#### 9 Notice of Motion

#### 9.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on the Executive to change the Emergency out of hours call Number 1890445335 to a local number as these 1890 numbers are very expensive which is very unfair on poor and vulnerable people with little or no money costing up to  $\notin$ 7 or  $\notin$ 8 in some circumstances in Meath area."

### 9.2 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

*"I call on Meath County Council to accept every Mortgage to Rent scheme offer from the Housing Agency for any location in County Meath during the Housing Crisis."* 

### 9.3 Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch

"That Meath County Council provides big belly bins in all areas but targets this provision in 2019 in smaller centres of population where existing provision and collecting is a problem / Go gcuirfeadh Comhairle Chontae na Mí araidí bruscair Big Bin ar fáil i ngach bardas ach go ndíreofar i 2019 ar na lárionaid daonra níos lú ina bhfuil fadhbanna iad a sholáthrú agus a bailiú."





#### 9.4 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher

"We ask the Minister of the Environment to give a completion date on the revision of guidelines on wind farms, and request that he incorporate the effects of light flicker on residence and extend the visual amenity setback / Éilímid ar an Aire Comhshaoil dáta don athbhreithniú ar threoirlíntí na bhfeirmeacha gaoithe a thabhairt, iarraimid go mbeadh tuairisc ar éifeachtaí caochaíl solais mar chuid de agus go ndéanfar an slánachar thaitneamhacht amhairc a shíneadh."

#### 9.5 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher

"We ask the Minister of the Environment for an update and a completion date for the two reports he has commissioned on the North South Inter connector, and call on Meath County Council state its opposition to the Project / Éilímid ar an Aire Comhshaoil uasdhátú agus dáta críochnaithe don dá thuairisc a choimisiúnaigh sé don Idirnascaire Thuaidh Theas a thabhairt agus éilímid ar Chomhairle Chontae na Mí cur in aghaidh an Tionscadal go soiléir."

#### 9.6 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

"That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, Eoghan Murphy, to take immediate action to reintroduce the Affordable Housing Scheme to assist eligible first-time buyers to buy homes."

#### 9.7 Submitted by Councillor Ronan McKenna

"This Council calls on Minister Zappone to engage in meaningful consultation with childcare committees and providers in relation to recently signed regulations amending the Child Care Act 1991."

#### **10** Schedule of Chief Executive & Approved Orders (For information only)

- 10.1 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Transportation
- 10.2 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Environment
- 10.3 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Housing
- 10.4 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Community





### **11** Any Other Business

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