



# **Ordinary Meeting**

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

## 1 Confirmation of Minutes

- 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> February 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 Joint Policing Committee (JPC)
- 5.1.2 To receive a presentation on Anti-Fraud and Corruption Policy and Contingency Plan
- 5.1.3 To receive updates to the protocols on Civic Events, Civic Commemorations, Twinning Arrangements and the Office of the Cathaoirleach

### 5.2 Planning

5.2.1 To receive the Members' views in respect of a proposed development by Highfield Storage Ltd. (PL17.303568), for development described as proposed electrical substation and associated 110kV and MV infrastructure at Gillinstown, Duleek, Co. Meath, the subject of the Chief Executive's Report to An Bord Pleanála of February 2019 (as circulated) and, if thought fit, to resolve to attach recommendations to that report in accordance with Section 37(E) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2018.





5.2.2 To receive the Members' views in respect of a proposed development by Knockharley Landfill Ltd. (PL17.303211), the subject of the Chief Executive's Report to An Bord Pleanála of February 2019 (as circulated), and if thought fit, to resolve to attach recommendations to that report in accordance with Section 37(E) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2018.

### 5.3 Finance

5.3.1 To note the Audit Committee Report in relation to the Annual Financial Statement and Local Government (LG) Auditor's Report for the year ended 31 December 2017.

### 5.4 Community

- 5.4.1 To receive and note the Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2018
- 5.4.2 To receive and note the Joint Policing Committee Annual Report 2018

### 6 Reports

- 6.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
- 6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

### 7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence from the Department of Finance: CIWG on the cost of Motor and Employer and Public Liability Insurance.
- 7.2 Correspondence from the Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment in response to Notice of Motion 9.5 adopted at the February meeting of the full Council asking the Minister for an update on the two reports commissioned on the North South Interconnector project.

### 8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Michael Gallagher





"Can Meath County Council confirm that they have been in contact with the ESB in relation to the North South Interconnector as there is a planning application relating to above in their name, and if not, why not? /An féidir le Comhairle Chontae na Mí cinntiú go raibh siad i dteagmháil leis an BSL maidir leis an Idirnascaire Thuaidh Theas toisc go bhfuil iarratas pleanála bainteach leis ina hainm ann agus munar féidir, cén fáth nach féidir?"

#### 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 €7 or €8 in some circumstances in Meath area."

#### 9.2 Submitted by the Ashbourne Municipal District Councillors

"To call on the Council to strongly oppose the proposed development at Knockharley landfill."

#### 9.3 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Forde

"Can I call on the Executive to write to the appropriate government department regarding the unsustainable insurance hikes facing small businesses forcing closure of businesses in County Meath and if this motion is passed will be circulated around to all other County Councils in Ireland to support this motion."

#### 9.4 Submitted by Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons

"I propose the motion that Meath County Council writes to the Minister requesting the government to accelerate its insurance reform program, as spiralling costs are causing many community groups, charities and small businesses to close."

#### 9.5 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

"That Meath County Council, in view of the damage that spiralling insurance costs are causing to community groups, voluntary organisations, charities, small businesses, calls on the Government to accelerate its insurance reform programme. In particular, Meath





County Council calls on the Government to immediately establish a distinct Insurance Fraud Unit within an Garda Siochána, establish an interim Judicial Council which will address excessive awards made in our courts, and insist on greater transparency in relation to claims and premiums from Irish insurers."

#### 9.6 Submitted by Councillor Damien O' Reilly

"I call on Meath County Council to write to An Bord Pleanála and the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government requesting that they lower the density requirements for "Fast Track Planning Applications" to medium in County Meath. This is to provide additional 3 and 4 bedroom houses in the county - the product young people of Meath currently require that helps build communities."

#### Submitted by Councillor Caroline Lynch 9.7

"Sinn Féin calls on the Minister for Housing to provide the necessary resources to introduce choice based letting in County Meath for the allocation of social housing as opposed to striking applicants off the list for 5 years for the refusal of housing which does not meet their needs./ Éilíonn Sinn Féin ar an Aire Tithíochta na hacmhainní riachtanacha a sholathrú chun gur féidir tús a chur le scéim rogha tithíochta i gContae na Mí do thithíocht sóisialta a chur ar fáil seachas iarrthóirí a bhaint ón liosta ar feadh cúig bliana de bharr tithíocht neamhchuí a dhiúltiú."

#### 9.8 Submitted by Cathaoirleach Councillor Tom Kelly

"That this Council recognises the selfless commitment of the Irish Defence Forces (Navy, Army and Air Corps) to the people of Ireland, supports their campaign for <u>Respect and</u> Loyalty and calls on the Government to take the necessary action to resolve the issues of concern in relation to working conditions."

#### 9.9 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

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## 9.10 Submitted by Councillor Sinéad Burke





"That this Council, noting the recent CervicalCheck Scandal, calls upon the Minister for Health and An Taoiseach to acknowledge, support and respond in detail to the demands of the Standing4Women\* campaign. These include: Legislation and policy on mandatory open disclosure independent of the patient safety bill, Provision of a start and end date and full disclosure on the 1800 smears yet to be audited, and a breakdown of the new packages being negotiated with laboratories carrying out smear slide analysis including mandatory site audits. / Go n-aithneodh an Chomhairle seo an scannal bainteach le CervicalCheck a bhí ann le déanaí agus go nglaofadh sí ar an Aire Sláinte agus An Taoiseach aithint, tacú agus freagraí cuimsitheach a thabhairt d'éilimh an fheachtais Standing4Women\*. Iad sin ná: Reachtaíocht agus polasaithe ar nochtadh faisnéise éigeantach neamhspleách ón bhille um Shábháilteacht Othar, dáta tús agus deireadh agus lán-nochtadh den 1800 smearadh le iniúchadh go fóill a sholathrú, agus miondealú ar na pacáistí nua á idirbheartú faoi láthair leis na saotharlanna ag déanamh anailís ar na sleamhnáin smearadh, iniúchtaí láithreán éigeantacha san áireamh."

## **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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