



## **Ordinary Meeting**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019, Council Chamber

### 1 Confirmation of Minutes

- 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2019
- 1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Preliminary Budget meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2019.
- 1.3 Confirmation of minutes of Statutory Budget meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November, 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 Presentation from the National Transportation Authority by Ms. Anne Graham CEO and Mr. Hugh Creegan, Deputy CEO

### 6 Statutory Business

#### 6.1 Corporate Services

- 6.1.1 To adopt the Council's Corporate Plan 2019-2024.
- 6.1.2 To adopt a Protocol on the Lighting of Council Facilities.
- 6.1.3 To adopt the Municipal District Allocation Scheme Protocol 2020.

#### 6.2 Finance

6.2.1 To receive a year to date Financial Statement for Meath County Council as at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.





#### 6.3 Community

- 6.3.1 To approve a replacement member of the Meath LCDC & LAG, representing the Meath County Chambers.
- 6.3.2 To approve a replacement member of the Meath LCDC & LAG, from the Russian Culture and Educational Centre "Marusya" representing the Social Inclusion Pillar of the Public Participation Network (PPN).

#### 7 Reports

- 7.1 Chief Executive's Report
- 7.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group
- 7.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

#### 8 Correspondence

- 8.1 Correspondence from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Motion 9.12 adopted at the October 2019 meeting of the full Council re. local retention of Local Property Tax (LPT).
- 8.2 Correspondence from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Motion 9.13 adopted at the October 2019 meeting of the full Council re. release of the report of the Baseline Review Group.

#### 9 Notice of Question

#### 9.1 Submitted by Councillor Deirdre Geraghty-Smith

"To ask the Chief Executive to confirm whether Meath County Council is implementing the All Ireland Pollinator Plan and the National Biodiversity Action Plan; and to provide a description of the specific current and planned actions, to implement these plans across the County; recognising the significant role of pollinators in promoting biodiversity and protecting the local eco-system."

### 9.2 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly







"Can Meath County Council provide the amount of processed successful Mortgage to Rent applications in tabular format per Municipal District in the last 2 years in Meath?"

### 9.3 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

"What are the Housing Rent collection percentages for Meath County Council for 2017 and 2018?"

### 9.4 Submitted by Councillor Darren O'Rourke

"To ask the Chief Executive to provide a report on the financial cost to the Council to remove illegal dumping for each year since 2014; and if she will make a statement on the matter?"

#### 9.5 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"Could Meath County Council confirm the number of properties in Meath that are currently available to rent under Airbnb; how many of these properties are being rented for less than 90 days and have registered for exemption with us, their local authority; how many of these are properties that are being rented more than 90 days and have applied for planning permission for a change of use; and if there are currently any properties in Meath that are year-long short-term lets and therefore prohibited in Meath due to our Rent-Pressure Zone status?"

#### 10 Notice of Motion

#### **10.1** Submitted by Councillor Mike Bray

"That Meath County Council supports the introduction of reverse vending recycling machines in towns and villages across the county such was launched in Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan recently; and engages with local communities and Tidy Towns groups to optimise the introduction of these machines."

#### 10.2 Submitted by the Fianna Fáil Group

"That Meath County Council takes the lead in harnessing the potential of our county's hedgerows by encouraging and supporting the planting of native Irish trees, as these are the best placed to thrive and survive in Irish conditions and help offset some of the greenhouse gas emissions that are produced through our day to day activities. Further,







that Meath County Council should make a concerted effort to only plant native Irish trees and plants."

### 10.3 Submitted by Councillor Johnny Guirke

"Meath County Council recognises the huge contribution low paid workers make to the Irish economy and calls for the implementation of a Living Wage to end in-work poverty and reduce the financial pressure on many households and also calls on this Council to become a Living Wage employer, by ensuring every worker employed by the Council earns at least the Living Wage of €12.30 per hour."

#### 10.4 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"That Meath County Council undertakes a gender pay review and implement any recommendations from such a review, in as timely a manner as is possible."

#### 10.5 Submitted by Councillor Noel French

"That Meath County Council does all in its power to ensure that the Doctor on Call service remains located in Navan."

#### 10.6 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"That the council writes to the Minister for Justice and Equality Charlie Flanagan T.D. and the Minister of State for Justice at the Department of Justice and Equality with special responsibility for Equality, Immigration and Integration David Staunton T.D., calling for the full implementation of the recommendations of the Working Group to Report to Government on the Protection Process on Improvements to the Protection Process, including Direct Provision and Supports to Asylum Seekers i.e. the McMahon Report 2015."

#### 10.7 Submitted by Councillor Eddie Fennessy

"Meath County Council calls on the Government to deliver on a 2008 Labour Court ruling to provide pension entitlement to supervisors on Community Employment schemes. And recognises that Government's inaction on that historical 2008 decision undermines the Labour Court and causes hardship to supervisors and their families."

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





- 11.1 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Transportation
- 11.2 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Environment
- 11.3 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Housing
- 11.4 Schedule of Chief Executive's Orders Community

#### 12 Any Other Business

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