



## **Clár / Meeting Agenda**

### **Ordinary Meeting**

**3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020, Council Chamber @ 1.30p.m.**

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

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary Meeting held on 2nd December, 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 Community**

5.1.1 To receive details and approve the allocation under the Knockharley Environmental Community Projects Scheme 2019, as recommended by the Knockharley Community Liaison Committee and endorsed by the Ashbourne Municipal District Councillors on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

##### **5.2 Environment**

5.2.1 To receive a presentation in respect of the preparation of the Beach Management Plan for the area between the River Boyne and River Nanny and to consider proposed amendments to the County Meath Foreshore Bye-Laws 2010 arising from recommendations from the said plan and if thought fit, to adopt the revised Bye Laws.

5.2.2 To receive an update on Climate Action activities for 2020.

##### **5.3 Corporate Services**



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- 5.3.1 To adopt the Annual Service Delivery Plan 2020.
- 5.3.2 To adopt the draft Standing Orders for the Strategic Policy Committees.
- 5.3.3 To appoint a replacement Councillor to the Meath Local Sports Partnership Committee following the resignation of Councillor Tommy Reilly.

### **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 Health in response to Notice of Motion 9.13 adopted at the September 2019 meeting of the full Council re. provision of respite for children and adults with intellectual disabilities in Meath.
- 7.2 Correspondence from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Motion 9.9 adopted at the November 2019 meeting of the full Council re. update on the local planning implications of the 'Flemish Decree' judgement by the European Court of Justice.
- 7.3 Correspondence from Transport Infrastructure Ireland re. 2020 National Roads Allocations.
- 7.4 Correspondence from Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport re. 2020 Regional and Local Road Grant Allocations.
- 7.5 Correspondence from LGMA re. Social Enterprise Development Fund 2020.
- 7.6 Circular WP01.20 – Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment re. Waste Management (Prohibition of Waste Disposal by Burning) (Amendment) Regulations 2019 (SI No. 684 of 2019).
- 7.7 Circular F.01/20 – Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. 31 January 2020 deadline for the reporting of political donations by elected members



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- 7.8 Circular RST 04/2019 – Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport re. Safe Overtaking Width for Cyclists Sign and Provision of funding.

### 8 Notice of Question

#### 8.1 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

*“To ask the Chief Executive to outline how many legal actions have taken place for 2018/2019 as a result of inspections carried out by the Housing Section of Meath County Council. In addition can the Chief Executive outline the total number of inspections carried out by the housing inspectors in 2018/2019 and what were the top five standards that were not adhered to under the regulations.”*

#### 8.2 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

*“To ask the Executive the number of Excluding Orders, Refusal/Deferrals, Verbal Notices, Written Notices, Statutory Warnings and Termination of Tenancies issued by Meath County Council to tenants or prospective tenants in 2017, 2018, and 2019.”*

#### 8.3 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes

*“To ask the Chief Executive to provide an explanation as to why, I as an elected member of Meath County Council received no assistance or even a call back when I called the emergency number twice on January 9th seeking assistance with a homeless man sleeping out in the freezing cold in Bettystown.”*

#### 8.4 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole

*“What are the minutes of the meeting[s] that took place with the Meath East Oireachtas members, prior to the Meath County Council submission to EMRA/RSES, in early 2019?”*

### 9 Notice of Motion

#### 9.1 Submitted by Councillor Johnny Guirke

*“That this Council should work with neighbouring councils in Westmeath and Cavan to enhance tourism potential.”*



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### **9.2 Submitted by Councillor Johnny Guirke**

*"In light of the Council's projected €3.2 million spend on legal fees during 2020, that Meath County Council would tender in future for legal services."*

### **9.3 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin**

*"That Meath County Council looks into the feasibility of the development of a creche facility when designing and building the new Council Chamber. The creche would be used for staff and visitors, as well as, elected representatives and would make the Council a truly family friendly organisation and help young Councillors to fulfill their public duties."*

### **9.4 Submitted by Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons**

*"That all Meath County Council housing tenants must have house and contents insurance."*

### **9.5 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy**

*"That Meath County Council assess locations on our roads with a view to erecting the new official road signs advertising minimum passing distances for cyclists and that, in the first instance, priority should be given to areas frequented by cycling clubs."*

### **9.6 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe**

*"That Meath County Council expresses its concern and disappointment to the IDA and the Minister for Business, Enterprise and Innovation in light of only 3 official IDA visits to county Meath in 2019 and to encourage further investment in North Meath."*

### **9.7 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes**

*"That Meath County Council allows Meath Councillors to inspect any properties used as emergency accommodation and clarifies its position as previously discussed by this Council and the Navan Municipal District"*

### **9.8 Submitted by Councillor Edward Fennessy**



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*“That Meath County Council writes to the new Minister with responsibility for Children requesting that the Government acknowledges Adoptee Identity Rights, as advocated by Aitheantas, and immediately allows adoptees access to their own information on health, history and heritage.”*

### **9.9 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe**

*“That Meath County Council write to Irish Water, the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government and the Competition Authority regarding the prohibitive and exorbitant costs associated with connecting into the public water, public waste water and sewerage systems particularly for one-off houses. And that we acknowledge that these excessive costs are resulting in further pollution of our environment.”*

### **9.10 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes**

*“That this Council writes to the new Minister for Children and Youth Affairs calling for an increase in spending to 1% of GDP on Early Years as recommended by the OECD. This will ensure decent pay, sustainable services and a high quality service for Children.”*

### **9.11 Submitted by Councillor Stephen McKee**

*“That Meath County Council supports the Government's proposed increase in the plastic bag levy as part of our Climate Action obligations and calls on the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and the Environment to exempt compostable shopping bags from any levy, in order to encourage shoppers to purchase ecological, plastic-free, sustainable alternative products that are environmentally friendly.”*

### **9.12 Submitted by the Laytown-Bettystown Municipal District Councillors**

*“That Meath County Council calls on Minister Kevin Moran to provide funding for a playground at the Battle of the Boyne site at Oldbridge.”*

## **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 & Water Services



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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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