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Ordinary Meeting

5th October 2020, Solstice Theatre @ 1.30p.m.

Public Health Guidance - Covid 19

This meeting is being held in line with public health guidance, with a number of measures in place to protect the health and wellbeing of all meeting attendees.

All Meeting Attendees are therefore requested to:

- Wear a face covering on entering the Theatre and continue to do so while in an indoor setting;
- Be present at the outset of the meeting and remain in your designated seat (other than for welfare breaks) once the meeting has commenced;
- Comply with the public health advice, specifically physical distancing; cough and sneeze etiquette, proper hand hygiene and to limit social interactions e.g. no hand-shaking;
- Be respectful of others' physical distancing boundaries;
- Adhere to meeting and venue housekeeping arrangements including fire safety arrangements as briefed at the start of the meeting;
- Refrain from bringing food or drink, except bottled water, into the meeting room;
- Adhere to information displayed on signage and to the advice of meeting staff.

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 7th September 2020.

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 Finance

5.1.1 To receive and note the 3 Year Capital Programme 2020, under S.135 of the Local Government Act 2001.



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5.2 Community

- 5.2.1 To receive an update on the Louth & Meath Joint Migrant Integration Strategy 2019-2022.
- 5.2.2 To receive details of and approve the allocations under the Community Amenity Scheme as recommended by the Members of each of the Municipal Districts at the September Municipal District meetings.
- 5.2.3 To receive details and approve the allocation under the Carranstown Environmental Projects Grants Scheme 2019, as recommended by the Indaver Community Liaison Committee and endorsed by the Laytown/Bettystown Municipal District Councillors on 10th September 2020.
- 5.2.4 To consider Arts Grants, Bursaries & Awards 2020 recommendations.

5.3 Corporate Services

- 5.3.1 That Meath County Council determines, in accordance with Standing Order 90 of its Standing Orders, to suspend the following Standing Orders for the purpose of holding its Special Planning Meeting in October 2020 on the Draft County Development Plan review process: 16 Notice of Motion; 29 and 36 Order of Debate and 51, 52 and 54 Attendance of Public and Media.

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 Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Commercial Rates.
- 7.2 Correspondence from Minister for Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Motion 9.14 adopted at the September 2020 meeting of the full council re. LPT Equalisation Fund.



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- 7.3 Correspondence from Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform in response to Notice of Motion 9.14 adopted at the September 2020 meeting of the full council re. LPT Equalisation Fund.
- 7.4 Correspondence from Minister for Planning and Local Government in response to Notice of Question 8.3 at the September 2020 meeting of the full council re. 'Flemish Decree' case.
- 7.5 LG 06-2020 – Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government re. Adjustment to Members' Representational Payment from 1 October 2020.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Nick Killian

"Can the CEO give an outline as to when Electric Car Charging points will be installed in Public Car Parking areas in Towns and villages throughout Co. Meath."

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"To ask the Chief Executive whether Meath County Council is owed any money from Road Opening Licensing; if so, the amounts of outstanding invoices owed to the Council; and by which entity or entities is said money owed."

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Emer Tóibín

"What progress has been made regarding my motion that was submitted, discussed and passed at the March full Council Meeting;

'that speed ramps and flashing lights are installed approaching the drop off and collection points of all country schools across Meath where levels of speeding endanger children trying to gain access to their school and where to date have not been installed despite ongoing calls from overwrought parents and teachers'."

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole (Deferred from September Meeting)



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"That Meath County Council seeks "Garda vetting for one [organisation], Garda vetting for all" with a two-year review, as a way to ensure the continuation and participation of community volunteers in improving the quality of life of Meath residents."

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

"That Meath County Council commences a social media campaign in conjunction with An Garda Síochána to discourage bonfires in public spaces and to encourage people to engage with local Gardai in combating unruly behaviour in the run-up to and including Halloween night."

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes

"Call on Meath County Council to provide assistance to out of hours homeless emergency calls."

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

"That Meath County Council undertakes to transition from traditional paper copy to an online platform for receiving planning permission applications and further information responses in order to be more environmentally friendly and cost efficient. This would also improve efficiency, reduce the potential for invalid applications, and deliver on the government strategy to move more public services online."

9.5 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"That Meath County Council seeks to introduce Communication Boards into all council owned playgrounds & relevant amenities, so as to assist children or adults who are either pre-verbal/non-verbal or have communication difficulties in fully enjoying council owned amenities."

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Tom Behan

"In the interest of Public Health and Safety that Meath County Council writes to the Minister of Health Stephen Donnelly T.D. and recommend that a ban on the use of E-cigarettes and vaping, similar to that of the smoking ban, be implemented immediately. This ban should include but not be limited to the workplace, public transport, healthcare and educational facilities, cafes, bars and restaurants."



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9.7 Submitted by Councillor Gerry O'Connor

"That Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Health, the Department of Health and NPHE to make available weekly or bi-monthly, details of confirmed COVID-19 cases on a townland basis. This would ensure further compliance with COVID-19 measures and encourage the principle of "We are all in this together" bringing communities together to reduce the spread of the virus locally."

9.8 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole

"Meath County Council calls upon the Departments of Communications, Climate Action and Environment & Agriculture, Fisheries and Marine to introduce a remunerated DUMP [dispose of unwanted medicines properly] scheme, through pharmacies to promote the safe and appropriate disposal of animal & human medicines, to reduce pharmaceutical waste in the environment."

9.9 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes

"Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Employment Affairs and Social Protection to increase the Minimum Wage by at least 2% or more in order to support the lowest paid workers in society especially as many of these same workers are on the frontline and have worked throughout the Covid-19 pandemic."

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 & Enterprise

11 Any Other Business

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