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Ordinary Meeting

2nd November 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. **The organisation of this meeting also has regard for the latest Standard Operating Guidance (SOG) agreed by the LGMA, AILG and LAMA on the holding of Council meetings.**

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.

In line with the SOG, this meeting will have a maximum duration of 1hr 55mins.

1 Confirmation of Minutes

1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 5th October 2020.

1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Special Planning meeting held on 19th October 2020.

2 Matters arising from the Minutes

2.1 To adopt the revised Standing Orders for Meath County Council, including the new Standing Orders regulating the proceedings of the Council in holding remote meetings.



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Please Note: Schedule 10, Section 16(2): *A local authority may, by resolution for which at least one-half of the total number of members of the authority vote in favour, amend or revoke standing orders and make new standing orders.*

- 2.2 Update on Special Planning Meeting to consider the draft County Development Plan – revised schedule of meetings.

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 Planning

- 5.1.1 Having considered the Planning Report in relation to planning application RA201017: the development of a two storey 8 classroom Primary school building in Dunshaughlin (Roll Number 20521Q) including a two classroom SEN Base. The design also includes a general purpose hall, support teaching spaces and ancillary accommodation external junior play areas, secure SEN hard and soft play area, sensory garden and outside classroom area. The proposed project also incorporates associated car parking and bicycle parking, access road, pedestrian access, bicycle lane, boundary treatment, construction of 2No. external ball courts, landscaping, connection to public services, ESB sub-station and all associated siteworks at Dublin Road, Dunshaughlin, Co Meath, to resolve to make or refuse a material contravention of the Meath County Development Plan 2013-2019, as varied, under section 34 (6) of the Planning & Development Acts 2000 – 2019 as amended. The site of the proposed development is zoned 'E2 – General Enterprise and Employment' in the Dunshaughlin Local Area Plan, 2009 to 2015, as varied and as such, the development would contravene materially the following objective of the Meath County Development Plan 2013 to 2019, as varied: E2 – General Enterprise & Employment: To provide for the creation of enterprise and facilitate opportunities for employment through industrial, manufacturing, distribution, warehousing and other general employment / enterprise uses in a good quality physical environment.

Please Note: Section 34(6) Planning and Development Act 2000 - provides that a development may materially contravene the Development Plan subject to certain procedures being complied with. A decision to grant planning permission requires the vote of not less than three quarters of the members of the Council in favour.



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5.2 Corporate Services

- 5.2.1 To consider nominations for the appointment of three Councillors to the Members' Forum of the Dublin – Belfast Economic Corridor.

5.3 Community

- 5.3.1 To consider Arts Grant recommendations 2020 (Schools Musical Instrument Purchase Scheme).

5.4 Housing

- 5.4.1 To Adopt Draft Policy on the Inspection of Private Emergency Accommodation as recommended by the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC and agreed by the CPG.

6 Reports

6.1 Chief Executive's Report

6.2 Report from the Corporate Policy Group

- 6.2.1 Update on parking at beaches following referral of Notice of Motion from the July 2020 Full Council meeting, as recommended by the Climate Action, Environment & Emergency Services SPC and as agreed by the CPG

6.3 Report from the Protocol Committee

- 6.3.1 Recommendation on Webcasting of Council Meetings following the referral of Notice of Motion from the September 2019 Full Council meeting, as recommended by the Protocol Committee and as agreed by the CPG.

7 Correspondence

- 7.1 Correspondence from Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection in response to Notice of Motion 9.9 adopted at the October 2020 meeting of the full council re. increasing the Minimum Wage to a Living Wage.

- 7.2 Correspondence from the Office of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine in response to Notice of Motion 9.8 adopted at the October 2020 meeting of the full council re.



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introduction of a remunerated DUMP [dispose of unwanted medicines properly] scheme.

- 7.3 Correspondence from the Department of Environment, Climate & Communications in response to Notice of Motion 9.8 adopted at the October 2020 meeting of the full council re. introduction of a remunerated DUMP [dispose of unwanted medicines properly] scheme.
- 7.4 Correspondence from Senator Robbie Gallagher re. closure of the Restart Grants Scheme.
- 7.5 Correspondence from Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage re. Civil Law and Criminal Law (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2020 (Section 29) (Local Authorities) (Designation) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 445 of 2020).
- 7.6 Circular Letter PL 09/2020 – Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage re. Operation of Planning System during Covid-19 Level 5 Restrictions.
- 7.7 Housing Circular 30/2020 – Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage re. Level 5 – Termination of Local Authority Tenancies.

8 Notice of Question

8.1 Submitted by Councillor Francis Deane

“How many horses and ponies have been seized by the local authority in 2019 and until now in 2020?”

8.2 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

“To ask the Executive to outline the number of dogs which were; Impounded; Reclaimed; Euthanized; and Rehomed by the local authority Dog Pounds in the years 2017, 2018, 2019 and so far in 2020 and to also outline the number of dog licences which were issued for the same period.”

8.3 Submitted by Councillor Yemi Adenuga

“Can Meath County Council please provide a list of specifically designated cycle lanes in major towns in Meath (existing and planned) and highlight what plans are in place, including deadlines, to deliver the cycle lanes that are currently just in the plan?”



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8.4 Submitted by Councillor Gerry O'Connor

"Can the executive provide in tabular form the actual spend on winter gritting in each Municipal District for each year from 2014 to 2019?"

8.5 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes

"Can Meath County Council through our Community Response initiative provide nourishing food and drink parcels for rough sleepers in the County during the level 5 lockdown?"

9 Notice of Motion

9.1 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

"That Meath County Council conduct a survey with the 40 refugee families who were placed in Meath under the Department Resettlement Programme to determine if they received appropriate or sufficient support from the external body who were commissioned to perform this task, thereby enabling us to learn from any mistakes made and adapt for the refugees we will be welcoming under Phase 2 of the Resettlement Programme."

9.2 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole

"Meath County Council [Executive & Elected Members] recognises the benefits of greener alternatives to traditional transportation, specifically e-bikes & e-scooters, and will examine the need for urban design & built environment modifications [like docking stations & dedicated lanes]. It also calls for Government to implement policy changes mandating helmets & education initiatives."

9.3 Submitted by Councillor Yemi Adenuga

"Call on Meath County Council to introduce fast-track procedures for the implementation of COVID-19 mobility measures in Meath."

9.4 Submitted by Councillor Gillian Toole

"Meath County Council will examine and establish a small business/retailer grant scheme [similar to the Indaver and Knockharley community grant schemes] with a



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percentage of the levies and commercial rates generated by Amazon Data at Donore Road, Drogheda, County Meath."

9.5 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

"Call on Meath County Council to capitalise any unspent Elected Members training budget allocated in budget 2020, to be available for expenditure in 2021."

9.6 Submitted by Councillor Sarah Reilly

"That Meath County Council request the Department of Housing to amend the income eligibility criteria for the Housing Adaptation Grant to allow for a higher household income for applications relating to adaptations to cater for appropriate care of a child."

9.7 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

"That Meath County Council write to the Minister for Justice and Equality calling on her Department to tackle anti-social behaviour in communities by ensuring a more visible An Garda Síochána presence on our streets in Meath and to seek an update on the establishment of an expert forum which will consider the effectiveness of the existing legislation to counteract and prevent anti-social behaviour, as is contained in the Programme for Government and that the Government sets up a specific strategy to combat the illegal importation, sale and use of fireworks."

9.8 Submitted by Councillor Alan Lawes

"Meath County Council call on the HSE and Minister Donnelly to re-open more test centre's in Co Meath particularly in Navan."

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



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11 Any Other Business

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