



### **Ordinary Meeting**

## 6th December 2021 @ 1.30p.m.

# (This is an online only meeting via Zoom)

### **Online Meetings – Please Note:**

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#### For Members:

- If you wish to speak you should use the Hand function you'll be given the floor by the Cathaoirleach.
- This Hand function will also be used for voting, unless a roll call vote is used.

#### For All Participants:

- All participants must have their camera on during the meeting and you should have your microphone on mute at all times, unless called upon by the Cathaoirleach to speak
- It is the personal responsibility of all participants to ensure that there are no other persons present who are not entitled to be present for this meeting
- Recording of the meeting or any part thereof is not permitted.

#### 1 Confirmation of Minutes

- 1.1 Confirmation of minutes of Ordinary meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.
- 1.2 Confirmation of minutes of Preliminary Budget meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
- 1.3 Confirmation of minutes of Statutory Budget meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
- 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
  - 4.1 Disposal of 0.9671 Ha of Land at Corballis, Laytown, Co Meath, in accordance with Section 211 of Planning & Development Act 2000 and subject to the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001.

#### 5 Statutory Business

### 5.1 Transportation

- 5.1.1 Presentation by Ms. Anne Graham, Chief Executive Officer, National Transportation Authority (scheduled for 2pm)
- 5.1.2 To ratify the Road Traffic (Special Speed Limits) (Housing Estates) County of Meath Bye-Laws (No.1) 2021.

#### **5.2** Corporate Services

- 5.2.1 To adopt the revised Standing Orders regulating the proceedings of the Council.
- 5.2.2 To adopt the 2022 Protocol for the Municipal District Allocation Scheme.
- 5.2.3 To appoint a Chairperson to the Planning, Economic Development and Enterprise Support SPC following the resignation of Councillor Padraig Fitzsimons.
- 5.2.4 To appoint a Chairperson to the Housing, Community and Cultural Development SPC following the resignation of Councillor Damien O'Reilly.
- 5.2.5 To appoint a replacement Councillor to the Louth Meath Education and Training Board (LMETB) following the resignation of Councillor Sharon Tolan.

### 5.3 Planning

5.3.1 To receive a presentation on the Chief Executive's Report to be submitted to the Minister, Office of the Planning Regulator and Councillors, in accordance with Section 31(8) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2021, following the Draft Direction issued to Meath County Council by Minster Peter Burke.





- 5.3.2 To receive the Chief Executive's Report on the Proposed Extension of the Draft Meath County Development Contribution Scheme 2016-2021 to extend the Scheme by a period of one year with a further additional year extension proposed (if required).
- 5.3.3 To receive the Member's views in respect of a proposed development by Bracklyn Wind Farm Limited (within the administrative boundary of Co. Meath) Reference no. 311565-21, the subject of the Chief Executive's report to An Bord Pleanála of December 2021 and to resolve to attach recommendations to that report in accordance with Section 37(E) of the Planning and Development Acts 2000-2021.

#### 5.4 Finance

5.4.1 To receive Quarterly Financial Statement at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

#### 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 LG 04-2021 Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage re. Increase to Elected Members Annual Remuneration.
- 7.2 LG 05-2021 Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage re. Allowances and Expenses of Elected Members.
- 7.3 Correspondence from Minister Roderic O'Gorman TD in response to Notice of Motion 9.6 adopted at the October 2021 meeting of the full Council re. request to provide free WIFI throughout Mosney Village, so that it's residents can more readily access information to services.
- 7.4 Correspondence from the National Transport Authority in response to Notice of Motion 9.3 adopted at the November 2021 meeting of the full Council re. introduction of fare free public transport services between Navan and M3 Parkway train station.





- 7.5 Correspondence from the An Taoiseach Micheál Martin in response to Notice of Motion 9.4 adopted at the November 2021 meeting of the full Council re. drafting of a Well-being of Future Generations Act.
- 7.6 Correspondence from the HSE in response to Notice of Motion 9.5 adopted at the November 2021 meeting of the full Council re. Our Lady's Hospital, Navan.

#### 8 Notice of Question

### 8.1 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

"Can the Chief Executive provide details of HAP payments including total amounts in tabular format for the last 5 years per municipal district, for local authority housing applicants waiting on housing offers within the county?"

### 8.2 Submitted by Councillor Ronan Moore

"To ask the Council to provide in tabular form the number of properties investigated for the unauthorised use for short-term rent, Airbnb, and holiday home rentals; the number of warning letters to property owners in regard to the unauthorised use of property for short-term rent, Airbnb, and holiday home rentals; and whether the files related to such properties remain open or closed?"

### 8.3 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

"To ask Meath County Council the number of Nutrient Management Plans that have been submitted to the Environment Department for the past 5 years under the Waste Management (Use of Sewage Sludge in Agriculture) Regulations, 1998 and the Waste Management (Use of Sewage Sludge in Agriculture) Regulations, 2001 (spreading of sewerage sludge on land) and that Meath County Council details in tabular form, in the case of every Nutrient Management Plan submitted, the county of origin of the sludge?"

#### 9 Notice of Motion

#### 9.1 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy

"We call on Meath County Council to include 'benches' in the type of furniture allowed in Section 254 Licences for outdoor dining street furniture."





### 9.2 Submitted by Councillor Emer Tóibín

"To call on Meath County Council to provide appropriate Active Travel Infrastructure as part of all new roads and all road improvement schemes throughout the urban areas of Meath and to ensure that all such Active Travel Infrastructure is designed and installed in compliance with Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) and in compliance with Best Practice."

#### 9.3 Submitted by Councillor Paul McCabe

"That Meath County Council write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage seeking that the current criteria in respect of the Tenant Purchase Scheme (Housing (Sale of Local Authority Houses) Regulations 2015) be reviewed to allow pensioners to purchase their local authority home in cases where they can reasonably demonstrate that they have the means and resources to do so."

### 9.4 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

"That Meath County Council writes to the Minister for Transport, NTA and Irish Rail requesting: Immediate resumption of full operations from M3 Parkway and Dunboyne Train Stations; the immediate reinstatement of free parking at Dunboyne Train Station; and that synergies in operating times be created between the M3 Parkway / Maynooth line trains arriving at Broombridge and departing Luas services."

### 9.5 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

"Meath County Council calls on the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications, and COMREG to introduce legislation and measures to address the serious issue of spam calls and texts. Based on international approaches to this problem the Council highlights the following for consideration: (1) Comreg working with Operators to put measures in place to prevent RoboCalls - Measures such as Enhanced Caller ID, Network level validation and blocklist databases; (2) Measures to combat Robotexts such as filtering malicious phishing texts with links (URLs); (3) Appropriate legislation and registration of all phone numbers to deter the easy barrier of entry that currently exists and penalties for breaches; (4) Enhanced control for customers, for example, easier steps to block calls from geographical locations. These suggested measures are to help reverse the trend in bogus calls, extortion and criminal activity with enhanced caller identification and the ability for the customer to block all calls from certain countries if desired."





- 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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