



## **Ordinary Meeting**

## 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 @ 1.30p.m.

## Buvinda House, Navan (and online via zoom)

## **Hybrid Meeting**

This meeting is a hybrid meeting, Elected Members may attend in-person or online. These meetings are regulated by the Council's Standing Orders.

## **Public Health Guidance**

This meeting is being held in line with the *Transitional Protocol – Good Practice Guidance for Continuing to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19,* which outlines advice and best practice guidance to maintain infection prevention and control and other measures for the safe operating of workplaces.

Please note the following:

- Attendance at Buvinda House is open to Elected Members, designated Council officials and members of the press and public;
- The wearing of a face-mask is not required but may be worn.

Meeting attendees are requested to:

- Adhere to public health best practice in relation to cough and sneeze etiquette and hand hygiene and sanitation;
- 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.

## **Online Attendance – Please Note:**

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Turn on your <b>camera</b>	Ensure your <b>microphone</b> is on mute	Use the ' <b>Hand Function'</b> to ask for the floor and for voting





- 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 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

#### 2 Matters arising from the Minutes

**3** Expressions of Sympathy and Congratulations (Standing Order 11.5 – Expressions of Congratulations to be submitted in writing by 10am, April 3<sup>rd</sup>)

### 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 2.5484 Ha of land at Lagavooren Platin, Drogheda, 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. The lands are not affected by the provisions of the Land Development Agency Act 2021.

#### 5 Statutory Business

- 5.1 Corporate Affairs and Governance
  - 5.1.1 To consider the Audit Committee Annual Report 2022 from Mr. Tom McGuinness, Chair of the Audit Committee.







- 5.1.2 To consider the Audit Committee Report in relation to the AFS and LG Auditor's Report 2021.
- 5.1.3 To adopt the Audit Committee Charter 2023.
- 5.1.4 To adopt the Audit Committee Annual Work Programme 2023.
- 5.1.5 To appoint a replacement member to the Protocol Committee following the resignation of Councillor Sarah Reilly.

#### 5.2 Finance

- 5.2.1 To receive the Draft Annual Financial Statement 2022.
- 5.2.2 To approve:
  - (i) revised expenditure for the financial year ended 31st December 2022 as set out in Table A in accordance with S104 of the Local Government Act 2001 and
  - (ii) transfers to and from Capital as set out in Table B.

#### 5.3 Community

5.3.1 To receive and note the Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2022.

#### 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





#### 8 Notice of Question

#### 8.1 Submitted by Councillor Damien O'Reilly

"I call on Meath County Council to provide, in tabular format, the social housing need for each housing application for every settlement in Meath's towns, villages and townlands."

#### 8.2 Submitted by Cllr Edward Fennessy

"To ask the Executive to provide the following information: the number of tenant-in-situ applications since the scheme reopened in April 2022; the number of properties purchased; currently with the valuers office; currently with the Councils law department; and the number of properties refused by the Council; and the number of properties withdrawn by the landlord."

#### 8.3 Submitted by Councillor Maria Murphy

"Where a van or heavy vehicle is required to be weighted for tax purposes, please advise what criteria is required for service providers to be added to the list which is acceptable to Meath County Council."

#### 8.4 Submitted by Councillor Trevor Golden

"Can Meath County Council provide details of all dedicated bus lanes within the County."

### 8.5 Submitted by Councillor Aisling O'Neill

"What measures are Meath County Council putting in place to respond to the potential increased demand in homeless presentations when the ban on evictions is lifted at the end of the month and what advice will the Council be giving to the people who present to the Housing Section?"

#### 9 Notice of Motion

#### 9.1 Submitted by Councillor Wayne Harding

"To call on Meath County Council to designate bathing site status at certain appropriate locations along the river Boyne, similar to those on our beaches, and in doing so to increase water quality testing and safety measures around such designated bathing locations."





### 9.2 Submitted by Councillor Tom Behan

"To call on Meath County Council to increase awareness around the 'Not Around Us Quit Smoking Campaign', to include erecting appropriate signage in all its playgrounds and other areas where young people are likely to congregate".

### 10 General Interest Motions

### 10.1 Submitted by Councillor Elaine McGinty

"To ask the Minister for Transport Eamon Ryan to engage with Toll Plaza Management Companies with regards to an introduction of toll-free travel for HGVs, prior to the June 30<sup>th</sup> toll price increase."

### 10.2 Submitted by Sinn Féin Group

"This Council calls on the Government to extend the ban on evictions until the end of the year; to expand the tenant in situ scheme for social and affordable cost rental tenants; and to use emergency planning and procurement powers to target vacant and derelict properties and new building technologies to deliver additional social and affordable homes above the targets for this year."

### 10.3 Submitted by Councillor Alan Tobin

"Meath County Council calls on the Minister for Transport Eamonn Ryan, to direct Dublin Airport Authority to implement Noise Abatement Departure Protocol One (NADP1) as standard procedure at Dublin Airport."

### 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 & Enterprise





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