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Limerick City
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To: **The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council**

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

You are requested to attend Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to be held in the Council Chamber, Dooradoyle, Limerick, on Monday, 25th September, 2017, at 3.00 p.m. The business to be transacted is set out on the appended Agenda.

Is mise le meas,

Christy O'Connor

Christy O'Connor,
Meetings Administrator.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes

To adopt Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 24th July, 2017.

(Copy Enclosed)

2. Disposal of Land

To consider proposal for the disposal of land at:

- (a) 20 Cregan Avenue, Kileely.
- (b) Ardyoul, Kilmallock.
- (c) Former Knocklong Railway Station and Grounds.
- (d) Knocknasna, Abbeyfeale.
- (e) 1, Hillview Drive, Abbeyfeale.

(Statutory Notices dated 27th June, 12th and 13th
September, 2017, already circulated)

3. Support Services Directorate

(a) Fixing of Date – Statutory Budget Meeting

To fix date for the 2018 Statutory Budget Meeting.

(Copy of Circular Fin 06/2017 dated 8th September, 2017, Enclosed)

(b) Local Property Tax

To consider whether to pass a resolution to vary the basic rate of Local Property Tax.

(Report Enclosed)

(c) Raising of Loan

To consider approving application for sanction from the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended, for a loan of €170 million to finance the works programme of Limerick 2030 Strategic Development DAC.

(d) Granting of Loan Facility to Limerick 2030 Strategic Development DAC

To consider the granting of a loan facility to Limerick 2030 Strategic Development DAC of €170 million, in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government act, 2001, as amended.

Report Enclosed in relation to Items 3 (c) and (d)

(e) Change in Membership – Strategic Policy Committees

To consider approving the appointment of (i) Councillor Crowley to the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee to replace Councillor Collins (M), and (ii) Councillor Collins (M) to the Environment Strategic Policy Committee to replace Councillor Crowley.

(f) Amended Strategic Policy Committee Scheme

To consider Draft Amended Strategic Policy Committee Scheme 2017-2019 to include the addition of a new Cultural Strategic Policy Committee.

(Report and Draft Scheme Enclosed)

(g) Filling of Vacancy – Joint Policing Committee

To consider filling casual vacancy on the Joint Policing Committee consequent on the resignation from the Committee of Councillor Leddin.

(Report Enclosed)

(h) Chief Executive’s Report

To consider Chief Executive’s Reports for the months of July and August 2017.

(Reports Enclosed)

(i) Visit to Birmingham

To consider retrospective approval to Visit by the Mayor of the City and County of Limerick to Birmingham, under Section 142 (5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

(Report Enclosed)

(j) Proposed Visit to New York

To consider approving visit by the Mayor and 2 Members to New York, under Section 142(5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

(Report to follow)

(k) Proposed Visit to Queen’s County, New York

To consider approving visit by the Mayor of the Metropolitan District to the annual Queen’s County St. Patrick’s Day Parade at Rockaway, Queens, New York, under Section 142(5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

(Report to follow)

(I) Strategic Policy Committee Report

To consider Chairperson's Report – Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 11th September, 2017.

(Report Enclosed)

4. Social Development Directorate

(a) Report on Housing Action Plan

To receive update on Housing Action Plan.

(b) Community Initiative Scheme 2017

To consider approving recommendations from the Municipal/Metropolitan Districts for allocations to various Groups and Organisations under the 2017 Community Initiative Scheme, in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended).

(Report Enclosed)

5. Conferences

(i) Participation by Members at Conferences

To consider participation by Members at the following Conferences:

- (a) 'Scoil Samhraidh an Phiarsaigh 2017' held in Ros Muc, Co. Galway, from 27th to 29th July, 2017.
- (b) 'Nuclear Free Local Authorities All-Ireland Forum' to be held in Navan, Co. Meath, on 22nd September, 2017.
- (c) 'ICSH Biennial National Social Housing Conference to be held in Limerick on 27th/28th September, 2017.
- (d) 'Local Authority Budgets 2018' to be held in Letterkenny, Co. Donegal, from 13th to 15th October, 2017.

- (e) 'A Practical Guide to Budget 2018' to be held in Carlingford, Co. Louth, from 13th to 15th October, 2017.
- (f) 'What does a Hard Brexit Mean for Ireland' to be held in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, from 20th to 22nd October, 2017.
- (g) 'Housing Conference 2017' to be held in Dublin on 22nd November, 2017.

(Details already circulated electronically) —

(ii) **Reports on Conference/Seminar/Meeting/Event**

To note reports by Members who have participated at Conference/ Seminar/ Meeting/Event.

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QUESTIONS

Questions submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

- 6.** I will ask at the next Meeting (a) the number of housing loans approved for first-time purchasers in the 3 years 2014/2016 and in the year to date; (b) the number of drawdowns in each case.
- 7.** I will ask at the next Meeting (a) the current numbers approved for Housing with Limerick City and County Council; (b) the number in the pipeline awaiting approval; (c) the number of tenancies allocated in each of the first 8 months of 2017; (d) the average waiting period between the date of allocation and tenant(s) taking up residency.

Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

- 8.** I will ask at the next Meeting (a) how many State Agencies are responsible for the River Galey in Athea; (b) when will the proposed drainage works begin; and (c) what works exactly are to be carried out.

Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin

9. I will ask at the next Meeting for a list of all Council-owned land zoned Residential and all other lands deemed suitable for residential development, subject to zoning, and for confirmation of estimated timeframe for the building of social and/or affordable houses.

Question submitted by Cmlr. S. Ó Ceallaigh

10. I will ask at the next Meeting how many people are currently in hotels as emergency accommodation, how many of those are children, and what is the cost per room to the taxpayer.

Questions submitted by Councillor C. Prendiville

11. I will ask at the next Meeting has any consideration been given to allowing people to add themselves to the Register of Electors using an online form as an alternative to the current paper form; would this require changes to national legislation, and could it be piloted in Limerick.
12. I will ask at the next Meeting how many acres of Council-owned lands in Mungret are zoned Residential, how many houses can be located on the site in accordance with average recommended density for the area and what is the proposed timeline for developing this site

Question submitted by Councillor P. Keller

13. I will ask at the next Meeting, with regard to the scaling up of the CPO programmes in each local authority, and which has been sanctioned as a safe way to proceed by the Attorney General, (a) How many CPO orders on vacant dwellings have been issued by the Council in the past 2 years; (b) How many of these orders have reached a successful conclusion; (c) What budget has been allocated by this Council to secure vacant dwellings using the CPO method; and (d) When did this Council first use this method with regard to vacant houses.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Prendiville

- 14.** I will move at the next Meeting that the Council write to the Minister for Education registering its complete opposition to any increase in college fees, or a student loan scheme, and instead call on the Government to implement the proposals in the Cassells Report for fully publicly-funded third-level education, and a living grant for students.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

- 15.** I will move at the next Meeting that the Government put in place one Agency with full responsibility for the maintenance / repair/ upkeep of all our rivers and streams.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L.M. Sheehy

- 16.** I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council call on An Taoiseach, Mr. Leo Varadkar, T.D., to create a Minister for Social Enterprise to support and advance this ever-evolving sector.

Notice of Motion submitted by Cmhlr. S. Ó Ceallaigh

- 17.** I will move at the next Meeting that this Council call on the Minister for Transport to address the astronomical rise in car insurance.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors E. O'Brien, S. Keary, C. McMahon, R. O'Donoghue, K. Sheahan and A. Teskey

- 18.** We will move at the next Meeting that this Council support the introduction of the Life Saving Equipment Bill 2017.

- 19.** Correspondence.

(Copy of Correspondence Enclosed)