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& Contae **Luimnigh**

Limerick City
& County Council

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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, 27th November, 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,
Meetings Administrator.

A G E N D A

1. Minutes

To adopt Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Special Meeting of the Council held on 25th September, 2017.
- (b) Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 25th September, 2017.
- (c) Adjourned Meeting of the Council held on 28th September, 2017.
- (d) Special Meeting of the Council held on 6th November, 2017, to discuss Housing Action Plan.
- (e) Special Meeting of the Council held on 6th November, 2017, to discuss Ward's Cross and other junctions on the N21.
- (f) Special Meeting of the Council held on 6th November, 2017, to discuss Proposed Variations to Limerick County Development Plan 2016 and Southern Environs Local Area Plan 2011-2017.
- (g) Budget Meeting of the Council held on 17th November, 2017.

(Copies Enclosed)

2. Disposal of Land

To consider proposal for the disposal of land at:

- (a) Clashganniff, Shanagolden, Co. Limerick.
- (b) Caherduff, Manister, Croom, Co. Limerick.

- (c) 8, Ballyclough Avenue, Ballinacurra Weston, Limerick.
- (d) 19, Galvone Road, Kennedy Park, Limerick.
- (e) 35, Greenhills Road, Garryowen, Limerick.
- (f) 28, Marian Avenue, Roxboro, Limerick.
- (g) 8, Island Road, Assumpta Park, Limerick.
- (h) Caheranardish, Mungret, Co. Limerick
- (i) 52, Galtee Drive, O'Malley Park, Limerick.
- (j) 74, Clare Street, Limerick.

(Statutory Notices dated 3rd, 10th, 11th and 12th October, and 6th and 14th November, 2017, already circulated)

3. Support Services Directorate

(a) Chief Executive's Report

To consider Chief Executive's Reports for the months of September and October 2017.

(Reports Enclosed)

(b) Filling of Vacancies – Joint Policing Committee

To consider filling casual vacancies on the Joint Policing Committee consequent on the resignation from the Committee of Councillors Leddin and McMahon.

(Report Enclosed)

(c) Filling of Vacancy – Limerick Sports Partnership

To consider filling vacancy on the Limerick Sports Partnership consequent on the resignation of Councillor Sean Lynch from the Partnership.

(Correspondence from Limerick Sports Partnership Enclosed)

(d) Provision of €85m Loan by the European Investment Bank

To approve the following:

- (i) The entry by Limerick City and County Council into the finance contract for €85m with the European Investment Bank and the terms thereof and to ratify as at the signature date, and
- (ii) The entry by Limerick City and County Council into future drawdown (disbursements) requests with the European Investment Bank in relation to this loan facility and provide all certificates as requested.

(Report Enclosed)

(e) Newcastle West Community Council Twinning Project

To consider application for financial assistance from Newcastle West Community Council, in accordance with Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

(Report Enclosed)

(f) Proposed Visit to Madrid

To consider approving visit by the Mayor to Madrid, under Section 142 (5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.

(Report Enclosed)

(g) Strategic Policy Committee Reports

To consider reports and recommendations:

- (i) **Chairperson's Report – Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 23rd October, 2017.**

Recommendation No. 1

That, Limerick City and County Council call on the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to develop a 'downsizing' scheme as part of the ongoing review of 'Rebuilding Ireland - Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness,' in order to facilitate sub-division, extension or adaption of existing private under-occupied housing units. It is anticipated that this scheme would act as a catalyst for the creation of additional housing units and optimise the utilisation of existing housing stock.

Recommendation No. 2

That, Limerick City and County Council commence a survey of vacant residential units across the City and County.

(Report Enclosed)

- (ii) **Chairperson’s Report – Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 9th October, 2017.**

Recommendation

“That, Limerick City and County Council opposes any attempt to re-route the proposed motorway link between Cork and Limerick through Tipperary, further isolating West Limerick.

(Report Enclosed)

- (iii) **Chairperson’s Report - Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 9th October, 2017.**

(Report Enclosed)

- (iv) **Chairperson’s Report – Community, Leisure and Emergency Services Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 9th November, 2017.**

Recommendation

That, Limerick City and County Council ensures “accessibility for all” is embedded in all Council policy documents going forward.

(Report Enclosed)

- (v) **Chairperson's Report – Environment Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 23rd October, 2017.**

Recommendation

“That, Limerick City and County Council, being deeply concerned with the Government's new waste management proposals, write to the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment, Mr. Denis Naughten, T.D., asking him to stop these new changes, establish a national regulator, introduce more measures to reduce, reuse and recycle waste, and introduce supports for low income families and those with medical conditions.

(Report Enclosed)

4. Economic Development Directorate

(a) Opera Centre Site

To receive update in relation to the planning application process for the Opera Centre Site.

(b) Limerick Digital Strategy

To consider Digital Strategy.

(Report Enclosed)

(c) Issues Paper for the Regional and Spatial Economic Strategy for the Southern Region

To receive an update on the publication of the Issues Paper for the Regional and Spatial Economic Strategy for the Southern Region.

(Documentation Enclosed)

5. Regional Services Directorate

(a) Cultural Strategic Policy Committee

To consider the nomination of Members of the Council to the Cultural Strategic Policy Committee.

(Report Enclosed)

(b) Limerick Cultural Strategy: A Framework 2016-2030

To consider approving recommendations on the proposed 2017 allocation of €600,000 for actions to support the implementation of the Limerick Cultural Strategy: A Framework 2016-2030.

(Report Enclosed)

(c) Open Call Festivals and Events Grant Scheme

To consider approving recommendations on the proposed allocation of funding for the Open Call Festivals and Events Grant Scheme

(Report Enclosed)

(d) Part VIII Procedure – Proposed N24 Beary's Cross Road Improvement Scheme

To consider the Chief Executive's Report prepared pursuant to Section 179 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000, as amended, and Part V111 of the Planning & Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, in relation to the proposed N24 Beary's Cross Road Improvement Scheme.

(Report Enclosed)

6. Social Development Directorate

Community Initiative Scheme 2017

To consider approving recommendations for countywide 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)

7. Physical Development Directorate

Limerick City and County Council (Control of Horses) Bye-Laws 2017 to regulate sulky racing on public roads in Limerick.

To consider and adopt the Draft Limerick City and County Council (Control of Horses) Bye-Laws 2017 in accordance with the Control of Horses Act 1996 (as amended).

(Report and copy of Draft Bye-Laws Enclosed)

8. Conferences

(i) Participation by Members at Conferences

To consider participation by Members at the following Conferences:

- (a) Developing a Sustainable Heritage Tourism Sector in Small Irish Towns, held in Buttevant, Co. Cork, on 14th October, 2017.
- (b) National PPN Conference held in Sligo Town on 19th October, 2017.
- (c) M20 Economic Corridor held in Charleville, Co. Cork, on 20th October, 2017.
- (d) Planning Across Boundaries in a Changing Context, held in Dundalk, Co. Louth, on 24th October, 2017.
- (e) Rebuilding Ireland - Action Plan for Housing and Homelessness, held in Carlingford, Co. Louth, from 3rd to 5th November, 2017.
- (f) Housing in Crisis – Defining the Role of the Councillor, held in Wexford on 11th/12th November, 2017.
- (g) World nZeb Forum 2017, held in Wexford on 15th/16th November, 2017.
- (h) 8th Annual Tourism Policy Workshop, held in Dromoland, Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare, on 17th/18th November, 2017.
- (i) Invasive Exotic Species of Wildlife in Irish Rivers, Canals and Lakes, held in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, from 24th to 26th November, 2017.
- (j) Audit Committees in the Irish Local Government System, to be held in Carlingford, Co. Louth, from 1st to 3rd December, 2017.
- (k) Insolvency Services in Ireland, to be held in Dungarvan, Co. Waterford, from 8th to 10th December, 2017.

- (l) A Practical Guide to Budget 2018, to be held in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, from 8th to 10th December, 2017.
- (m) Excel Training for Councillors on Cashflow and Budget Spreadsheet, to be held in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, on 13th/14th December, 2017.
- (n) Local Authorities and Regional Assemblies Managing Executive Governance, to be held in Galway on 15th/16th December, 2017.
- (o) ODCE – Office of the Director of Corporate Enforcement, to be held in Clonakilty, Co. Cork, from 21st to 23rd December, 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.

(Copy Enclosed)

QUESTIONS

Question submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

- 9.** I will ask at the next Meeting (a) how many overground slurry systems are in Co. Limerick, (b) how many have bunded areas; and (c) what is the average cost to install bunded areas around these systems.

Questions submitted by Cmhr. S. Ó Ceallaigh

- 10.** I will ask at the next Meeting how many tenants of the HAP Scheme are not on the housing list as requiring public housing.
- 11.** I will ask at the next Meeting how many dogs have been seized by Limerick City and County Council in 2017, how many were registered, how many were reclaimed, how many were re-homed, and how many were put down.

Questions submitted by Councillor C. Prendiville

- 12.** I will ask at the next Meeting for a breakdown in tabular form of the reasons (e.g. mould, fire safety etc.) private rented accommodation has failed inspections so far this year.
- 13.** I will ask at the next Meeting for details as to the amount of Development Levies collected this year, as compared to last year, and also a comparison in terms of the number of planning applications received and their scale this year compared to last year.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

- 14.** I will move at the next Meeting that the Ministers for Finance and Environment be requested to review current Local Property Tax legislation, thereby allowing a discount order to apply for Pensioners who reside on their own.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

- 15.** I will move at the next Meeting that farmers who have built overground slurry storage systems and complied with the Department guidelines/planning permission at the time of construction must be grant-aided to carry out any upgrading works (to include bunded areas) required by the Council, and call on the Department of Agriculture to provide the required grant-aid.

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

- 16.** We will move at the next Meeting that this Council call on the Department of Agriculture to grant-aid the retrospective fitting of ballcock controlled, electronically alarmed valves, located in reception tanks, to control the discharge of slurry from overground slurry stores to these reception tanks.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Lynch (to be referred to Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee)

- 17.** I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council (a) support the establishment of an Annual National “Make Way Day;” (b) call on the Government to support the establishment and funding of an Annual National “Make Way Day” with a local campaign in each region; and (c) promote a local “Make Way Limerick” campaign as part of the wider “Make Way Day.”

Notice of Motion submitted by Cmhr. S. Ó Ceallaigh (to be referred to Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee)

- 18.** I will move at the next Meeting that this Council utterly condemn the letting of substandard accommodation, both publicly and privately, and commit to ensuring that its own housing stock is up to standard, as well as ensuring that appropriate action is taken against landlords letting substandard accommodation.

- 19.** Correspondence.

(Copy of Correspondence Enclosed)