

COUNCILLORS REPORT ON CONFERENCE WHICH THEY ATTENDED

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Organiser of Conference NFLA ALL IRELAND FORUM

Name of Conference NUCLEAR FREE LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Location of Conference NEATH COUNCIL CHAMBERS
AUTUMN ENERGY POLICY SEMINAR 2017

Date of Conference Friday 22nd September 2017

Summary of Conference Content

The conference mainly focussed on what is currently being done nationally regarding renewable energy, and what individual local authorities can do to prevent a requirement for nuclear power down the line. All EU member states have signed up to binding renewable energy targets which in Ireland's case includes reaching a 16% target of renewable sources by 2020 with fines between €100-€150 million for every 1% point we fall short. State support at present is minimal, which is the main barrier to achieving these targets. The focus is currently on expanding our solar power farms due to the success of Northern Ireland & the UK.

Signature: Vivienne Crowley

Print Name: VIVIENNE CROWLEY

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Organiser of Conference Nuclear free local Authorities

Name of Conference Cost of Nuclear fuel.

Location of Conference Naven

Date of Conference 22 September 2014.

Summary of Conference Content

Nobody quite said "I told you so" but
the cost of Nuclear power is now becoming
more apparent as time goes on.

Wind Power has now advanced to such a degree
that it is now cheaper energy than Nuclear
power.

Despite this places like the U.K. have committed
Billions to this now obsolete industry into
the future.

The cost now of containing - storing it
as there is no way of clearing it is now rising
at 3 Billion ~~in~~ Pounds per year.

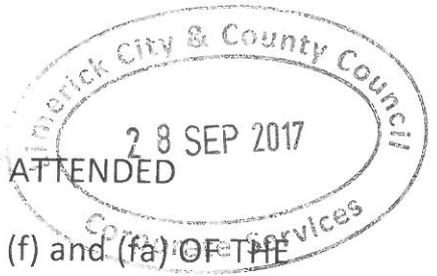
It will take about Half a million years for it
to degrade naturally - Good luck with that!

Signature: John Gilligan

Print Name: JOHN GILLIGAN

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Organiser of Conference Meath County Council
Name of Conference Nuclear Free Authorities
Location of Conference Spaan County Meath
Date of Conference 22/9/2017

Summary of Conference Content

NFRA all Ireland Forum Autumn Energy Policy Seminar 2017

Discussion on
last energy policy, renewable future
Brexit and nuclear preparedness
and what councils need to know
and can do. Topic discussed
with climate change mitigation and
a plan for providing enough incentives
to promote renewables across Ireland
How can Ireland the Ireland
of Ireland reach its renewable
energy targets,
where are the real moves towards
decentralised energy in Ireland,
How does Brexit affect energy
policy in Ireland. Is Ireland
prepared for a nuclear. Options.

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20th September 2017

To: The Mayor and each member of Limerick City and County Council

Report on the trip to Loimaa Finland

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

The aim of the trip was to promote intercultural dialogue and discuss models of best practice around Youth Theatres. The invitation to Limerick was extended via the County Limerick Youth Theatre from Loimaa Council.

The County Limerick Youth Theatre has a close relationship with Loimaan Teatteri in Finland an initiative of Loimaa Council. In August 2017, Mayor Keary and Director of Service, Josephine Cotter travelled to be part of the exchange.

The exchange is funded by the European Commission and is part of Erasmus+. The theatre exchange project Acting Out 100! is for young people to explore issues surrounding Ireland's 1916 uprising and Finland's 1917 revolution. The project allows young people to share their understanding of their own history and their own abilities, provides safe spaces for young people to socialise, develop and learn and it actively engages young people in building social capital.

While in Loimaa the delegation met with a number of services within Loimaa Town Council. At meetings discussion around youth work and cultural services of Loimaa municipality and Limerick's cultural strategy was shared to create further insights and learning's from important youth projects in the area of culture.

Meetings with the following officials and elected members took place;

Town manager Mr. Jari Rantala

Mrs. Tarja Mäki-Punto-Ristanen - Chairwoman of town council

Mrs. Teija Ek-Marjamäki - Chairwoman of town government

Mr. Heikki Vainio - Chairman of the committee of culture, youth and leisure time

Mrs. Pirkko Suhonen - Head officer of youth services

Mr. Juhani Heinonen - Head officer of culture services

Mr. Mauri Vainio - Youth worker

Mrs. Hannele Wilen - Chairwoman of Loimaa theatre

Is mise le meas,

Cllr. Stephen Keary

Mayor of the City and County of Limerick





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& Contae **Luimnigh**

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20th November 2017

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

Re: Report on the Visit to Birmingham in September 2017

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

In September 2017, Mayor Keary and Vincent Murray, Senior Engineer travelled to Birmingham, second city of the UK with a large Irish population. The invitation was received from Limerick Birmingham Association.

Purpose of Visit:

- The delegation had a meeting with the Limerick Birmingham Association Committee on Friday for welcome, introductions and to discuss items of interest and program for Saturday.
- Limerick people have made and continue to make a significant contribution to the development of Birmingham and many Limerick people now call Birmingham home.
- On Saturday the delegation met with the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, Councillor Anne Underwood in Birmingham City Hall to discuss Irish and Limerick interests in Birmingham followed by a tour of City Hall. The delegation was accompanied at this meeting by some of the Limerick Birmingham Association Committee members.
- In the afternoon the delegation had a tour of Birmingham City centre to look at the redevelopment and regeneration work in the City centre where large investment is taking place in public transport infrastructure investment including a redeveloped New Street Station, a new Tram Line in the City Centre and new office buildings, shopping centres and apartments including the extensive redevelopment of the canal area of the city.
- The Mayor was guest of honour at the annual Dinner Dance of the Limerick/Birmingham Association. The Mayor was welcomed at this event by the Chairperson of Limerick/Birmingham Association Mr. Eddie Falahee, and committee members including Pat O'Neill, Mary Fealy and Michael Collins. The Mayor delivered the formal after dinner speech at this very important event for Limerick people in Birmingham.

Is mise le meas,

Councillor Stephen Keary,
Mayor of the City and County of Limerick.