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

Visit to New York & New Brunswick NJ June 2018

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

As Members will be aware, I travelled to New York & New Brunswick June 12-15th 2018 to attend a number of business meetings and visit the City of New Brunswick as part of our City Sister Cities alliance. I was accompanied by Dr. Pat Daly, Deputy CE and Director of Economic Development and Mr. Sean Coughlan, Director of Finance. I attended thirteen meetings and completed a number of site visits during the visit to promote Limerick and to develop business and tourism linkages. These included:

Tuesday 12th June

NY based meetings with Limerick County GAA Club NY & Limerickmen's Association of NY on opportunities for new networks.

Wednesday 13th June

NY based meetings with: IDA: Tourism Ireland: Honorary Consul Ireland : The Ireland - US Council; UNDP, United Nations HQ & Core Real Estate Group on business development and trade opportunities.

Thursday 14th June

New Brunswick, New Jersey meetings: Mayor Cahill, Mayor of New Brunswick, Tomas A Laughlin, City Administrator & Mike Tublin, Director International Programs, City of New Brunswick; Meetings with New Brunswick Sister Cities Twinning Committee. Meetings with New Brunswick Development Corporation & visits to development sites as part of the Limerick City & County Council /New Brunswick Sister Cities programme: Meeting with Clenn Construction on return to NY on their new Limerick Factory and modular homes project.

Friday 15th June

Meetings with NBC Studios, JT Magen LP & Bank of Ireland Start Up Lab NY on emerging business opportunities. Return flight Friday PM.

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The Landrat of Hohenlohekreis, Dr. Matthias invited a delegation from Limerick City and County Council to visit Hohenlohe from Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th September 2016

The Council will be aware of the invitation from The Landrat of Hohenlohekreis, Dr. Matthias who invited a delegation from Limerick City and County Council to visit Hohenlohe from Thursday 3rd to Sunday 6th June 2018.

The purpose of the visit was to strengthen the economic, social and cultural links between Hohenlohe and Limerick. Limerick County Council had been twinned with Hohenlohe for a period of 25 years prior to the amalgamation and the relationship has continued between Hohenlohekreis and Limerick City and County Council. The visit also provided the opportunity for Limerick City and County Council to attend and to participate in the Hohenlohe Trade Show in Oringen.

The visit involved a number of meetings summarised as follows:

- **Party leaders of Hohenlohe District Council**

A presentation was given to the Party Leaders of Hohenlohe District Council on the Tourism Strategy for Limerick City and County Council. The key points in the presentation were:

- Limerick's tourism performance in the National and Regional Context

- New framework for tourism development in Limerick City and County Council around four key themes as follows:
 - Into the Blue
 - Energy unleashed
 - Medieval strongholds
 - Alive and kicking

Which together will celebrate Limerick's tourism potential around sporting and river based activities, its historic heritage and cultural offering.

Dr. Matthias also gave a presentation on the structure of the County Council in Hohenlohe and also explained the economic and tourism drivers within the region.

- **Bürkert Company's educational centre in Ingelfingen-Criesbach**

The delegation visited Bürkert Company's educational centre in Ingelfingen-Criesbach. This Company demonstrated the ability to provide sustainable economic development in a rural setting with the assistance of the County Council. The visit highlighted the Company's state-of-the-art automated facilities.

- **Schöntal Abbey and Church**

The delegation received a very informative guided tour of the history and culture of the Abbey and its surrounds.

- **Öhringen Town Administration in the Blue Hall, Öhringen Castle, followed by guided tour of the Trade Fair**

The delegation received a guided tour and presentation on the Trade Fair in Öhringen where high quality trade products were on display. Limerick City and County Council operated a Limerick stand for 3 days and received many requests for information about Limerick from the German trade

visitors. This was a very good marketing opportunity for Limerick and reinforced the significance of the twinning arrangement.

The executive also used the opportunity to travel the network of greenways around the town and update their knowledge in relation to surfacing, signage and visitor experience that can be transferred to the Great Southern Greenway Limerick and other greenways.

- **Apple Blossom Festival at the Hohenlohe Barn in Cappelaue, Öhringen**

The delegation received a very informative presentation of the Apple Blossom Festival at the Hohenlohe Barn in Cappelaue and tour of the Limes. The Limes is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and delineates the extent of the Roman Empire in Ancient times.

- **Guided tour of the Weibler Vineyard in Bretzfeld-Siebeneich**

The delegation received a very informative guided tour of the Weibler Vineyard and beef farm.

- **Official dinner with the members of Hohenlohe District Council**

The Mayor of Limerick City and County Council and The Landrat of Hohenlohekreis, Dr. Matthias Hohenlohe District Council reinforced their commitment to the continuation of the twinning arrangement by exchanging gifts. The function provided the opportunity for the executive and elected members of both Councils to share ideas and experience the cultures from their respective regions.

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Visit to the Venice Biennale

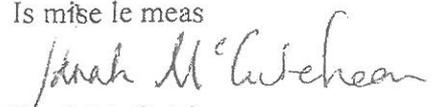
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As Members will be aware a delegation travelled to represent Limerick City & County Council at the Venice Biennale on the preview days 24th and 25th May 2018. The delegation consisted of Cllr Michael Donegan, Sheila Deegan, Arts Officer and myself.

In 2018 the theme of the Architectural Biennale was Free Space and the exhibition was curated by Grafton Architects, Dublin. Sixty-five nations are represented at the Biennale which is open to the public from 26.05.18 to 25.11.18 and which usually attracts up to 250,000 visitors. The Irish Pavillion was entitled Free Market, taking the theme of the market places of small towns. The Curators were Jeffrey Bolhuis (AP+E), Jo Anne Butler (Culturstruction), Miriam Delaney (DIT), Tara Kennedy (Culturstruction), Laurence Lord (AP+E) & Orla Murphy (Custom). They had chosen 11 Irish towns to represent the problems and the potential of the market place and public realm in small towns. Kilmallock was chosen as one of the towns and Limerick City & County Council was one of 4 Local Authorities which supported the Irish entry. Part of the exhibition is a free newspaper entitled Free Market news which contains an article by Róisie Webb, Senior Architect & Head of Urban & Village Renewal in Limerick City & County Council called 'Back to the future for town squares'. Also on loop as part of the exhibition is an extract from a series of 9 radio programmes by Grey Heron Media called Kilmallock Walled and Alive. The Irish pavilion was opened by Colm Ó Floinn, Irish Ambassador to Italy on 24th

May. It is the intention of the Curators to tour the exhibition throughout Ireland in 2019 and to hold a conference on the future of Irish towns.

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Sarah McCutcheon

Executive Archaeologist

Limerick City & County Council

FREE MARKET

LEARNING
FROM SMALL
TOWNS



LEARNING FROM KILMALLOCK

COUNTY
LIMERICK

PROVINCE
MUNSTER

POPULATION
1,668

Kilmallock is one of twenty-nine towns in the 'Irish Walled Towns Network' and was a very significant medieval market town in Munster. Much of the original town wall is intact. The market cross and fair green no longer contain any function of exchange, while a busy livestock mart on the town's periphery continues the market history.

With rising awareness of the significance of Kilmallock's heritage, the development of town wall walks, and cycling tourism infrastructure, Kilmallock can develop into the centre of the tourism for the Ballyhoura region. Three new public spaces will provide places for markets, for town gardens and for a heritage hub, creating a focus for civic and cultural life of the town.

DESIGN PROPOSAL

Three public spaces are linked with pedestrian and cycle tracks, and to the town wall walks and Ballyhoura cycle tracks. The train station in the town is re-opened providing direct links to the cities of Limerick and Cork.

SEE ALSO

IN PRINT Free Market News: 'Network of Walled Towns fosters twin aims of conservation and economic growth' by Hollie Kearns; 'Checking the pulse of Ireland's historic towns' by Alison Harvey

SOUND Radio Free Market, sounds of Kilmallock

ON SHOW Drone Photograph Kilmallock; Morphology maps



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COUNCILLORS REPORT ON CONFERENCE WHICH THEY ATTENDED

REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED UNDER SECTION 142(5) (f) and (fa) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 2001

Organiser of Conference Eures Cross Border Partnership / Duncalk Chamber

Name of Conference Cross Border Tourism. 2018.

Location of Conference Four Seasons Hotel, Celbridge, Co. Kild.

Date of Conference 11th April 2018.

Summary of Conference Content

Will Brexit Have any effect on Cross Border Tourism? Speakers from Travel Media, Northern Ireland Tourist Board, Fáilte Ireland and also private individuals who took a risk by purchasing old private estates changing their careers and starting hosting weddings in a converted stone barn and now hosting 130 events a year. It was a call on all employers & cross border workers to promote their own. We also heard about the implications for employers who employ cross border workers, implications for employers with staff who work in both jurisdictions & social insurance benefits & pensions in such a situation. Tourism Rev is worth 12.5 billion. Experts say Brexit will not have any effect on Cross Border Tourism

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Organiser of Conference Women for Election
Name of Conference Inspire Training
Location of Conference Imperial Hotel, Cork
Date of Conference 23rd June 2018

Summary of Conference Content

I found this conference to be of benefit to me as a sitting councillor & it was great to share experiences & advice with women thinking about running for public life. They had a brilliant line up of speakers that gave us information on handling media, working on our confidence and a mix of everything from canvassing to handling public life. I was very impressed with the amount they fit into one day and everyone left there planning different things for whatever stage they were at.

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