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Limerick City and County Council

Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

Monday 09th March 2020

Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting the reasons why the address of Council Houses allocated are sent to Councillors, TD's and Senators and if this practice is fully compliant with data protection.

REPLY:

The Policy and Process agreed in relation to the allocation of Council Housing Stock was agreed in 2014 with the merging of both Councils. The Allocation Scheme was Adopted in 2017 in accordance with Section 22 of the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2009, the Social Housing Allocation Regulations 2011 and the Social Housing Allocation Amendment Regulations 2016.

The Process

Council Officials review available council properties with all approved applicants for the area. Houses are allocated to approved applicants in accordance with the Scheme of Letting Priorities. If an Elected Member or TD makes representations for a housing applicant, this representation is noted on CRM.

Following the allocation of a council property to an applicant, a notification is issued to the Elected Member or TD who made representations on the applicants behalf. A notification is then sent to all Elected Members and TD's to inform them of the address (not personal details) that has been allocated. Individual house numbers are not issued in this notification. This process was developed in the interest of governance and transparency in relation to the allocation of council stock. Data Protection is fully observed in relation to the process and no conflict exists in relation to this.

Signed:  _____

Rob Lowth
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05th March 2020



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**MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK TO BE HELD ON MONDAY,
9TH MARCH, 2020**

Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting if Limerick Metropolitan Council will be participating in Earth Day on Wednesday 22nd April and if they would consider doing so.

REPLY

The participation of Limerick City & County Council in Earth Day is currently being examined and an update will be provided to elected members as soon as possible.

Gordon Daly
Director of Services
Community Development Directorate
4th March 2020

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL.

MARCH MEETING OF THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT OF LIMERICK.

MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 9th MARCH 2020.

Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will ask at the next Metropolitan Meeting of Limerick City and County Council that the Council confirms the number of properties in Limerick that are currently available to rent under AirBnb.

I will ask at the next Meeting how many of these properties are rented for less than 90 days and have registered for exemption with Limerick City and County Council as their Local Authority.

I will ask at the next Meeting how many of these properties are being rented for more than 90 days and have applied for planning permission for a change of use.

Reply.

Following funding from the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government, the Council is in the process of appointing staff to implement these new short-term letting regulations. It is anticipated that these personnel will be in place by the end of this month. At this stage, the Council is not yet in a position to confirm the number of properties in Limerick that are available for short-term letting.

Within the Rent Pressure Zone, the 90 day cap relates to the total number of letting days that a homesharer can let their entire permanent place of residence while they are temporarily absent from their home. To date no registrations have been received for the letting of a home for 90 days. The Council have received 5 registrations for home-sharing, the letting of 2 or more rooms within a principal private residence.

The short-term letting regulations requires a person who is letting a second property (not their principal private residence) within the Rent Pressure Zone to apply for planning permission for change of use. The Council has received 3 planning applications for change of use for short-term letting.



Stéphane Duclot.

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