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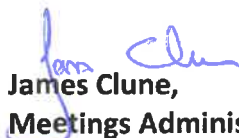
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**To: The Mayor and Each Member of Limerick City and County Council**

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

You are requested to attend a Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to be held at **Limerick Racecourse, Greenmount Park, Patrickswell, Co. Limerick, on Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2020, at 3pm.** The business to be transacted is set out on the appended Agenda.

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James Clune,  
Meetings Administrator.

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## **AGENDA**

### **1. Minutes**

To adopt Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Special Meeting of the Council held on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- (b) Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.
- (c) Special Meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.
- (d) Special Meeting of the Council held on 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

(Copies Enclosed)

### **2. Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

To note update on status/planning.

### **3. Disposal of Land**

To consider proposal for the disposal of land, in accordance with the provisions of Section 183 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended) and Section 211 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended), at:

- (a) 130, Vale Avenue, Carew Park, Limerick.
- (b) 31, Kilmurry Avenue, Garryowen, Limerick.
- (c) 43, Colbert Park, Janesboro, Limerick.
- (d) 77, Lenihan Avenue, Prospect, Limerick.
- (e) Ballinveala, Crecora. (0.578 acres)
- (f) Lisnagry F.C. Grounds (1.68 hectares) at Scanlon Park, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick.
- (g) 0.227 hectares (0.562 acres) at Ennis Road, Limerick.
- (h) Former Provincial Floor Covering Site, Galvone Industrial Estate, Limerick.
- (i) Former Southill Boxing Club, Galvone Industrial Estate, Limerick.
- (j) Parkmore, Shanagolden, Co. Limerick.
- (k) 4, Galtee View, Galbally, Limerick.
- (l) 12, Island Road, Limerick.
- (m) Rathronan, Gortnagross, Athea, Co. Limerick.
- (n) Main Street, Cappamore, Co. Limerick.
- (o) Gardenfield, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.
- (p) Appletown, Broadford, Co. Limerick.
- (q) 7, Beechwood Drive, Ballyorgan, Co. Limerick.
- (r) Gortboy, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick.

(Statutory Notices dated 23<sup>rd</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January, 12<sup>th</sup> February, 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May, and 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2020, already circulated)

### **4. Support Services Directorate**

#### **(a) Chief Executive's Report**

To consider Chief Executive's Reports for the months of January, February, March, April and May 2020.

(Reports Enclosed)

#### **(b) Annual Report**

To consider Draft Annual Report 2019

(Report and Annual Report Enclosed)

**(c) Standing Orders**

To consider proposed amendment to Standing Orders for Meetings of the Full Council to allow for future Meetings to be held away from the Council Chamber, if required.

(Report Enclosed)

**(d) Unaudited Annual Financial Statement 2019 – Limerick City and County Council**

To consider the Unaudited Annual Financial Statement for year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019, for Limerick City and County Council, under Section 108 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended by the Local Government Reform Act, 2014)

(Unaudited Annual Financial Statement and Report from Chief Executive already circulated)

**(e) Additional Expenditure 2019**

To authorise additional expenditure over budget for financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2019, under Section 104 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended by the Local Government Reform Act, 2014), including Capital transfers.

(Report already circulated)

**(f) Financial Update 2020**

To receive a presentation on financial update 2020 in the context of COVID-19.

**(g) Audit Committee Annual Report 2019**

To consider Audit Committee Annual Report 2019.

(Report and copy of Audit Committee Annual Report 2019 Enclosed)

**(h) Strategic Policy Committees – Sectoral Nominations**

To approve Sectoral Nominations from Public Participation Network and Farming Sector to Strategic Policy Committees.

(Report Enclosed)

(i) **Limerick Market Trustees**

To consider the nomination of the Mayor of the City and County of Limerick, and the Mayor of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, together with a further 16 Members of the Council as members of the Limerick Market Trustees.

(Report and List of Representatives Enclosed)

(j) **Strategic Policy Committee Reports**

To consider reports as follows:

- (i) Chairperson's Report - Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> February, 2020.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

- (ii) Chairperson's Report – Climate Change, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

- (iii) Chairperson's Reports – Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meetings held on 17<sup>th</sup> February and 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

(Chairperson's Reports Enclosed)

**Recommendation from SPC Meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2020**

"The Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee recommends that Limerick City and County Council request an urgent meeting with the Minister with responsibility for Planning to outline the Council's opposition to the National Planning Framework on Rural Housing Policy; the SPC also recommends that the request be circulated to all local authorities."

- (iv) Chairperson's Reports – Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee Meetings held on 18<sup>th</sup> February and 11<sup>th</sup> June, 2020.

(Chairperson's Reports Enclosed)

- (v) Chairperson's Report – Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2020.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

**Recommendation No. 1:**

That, all future recipients of HAP would be Garda vetted similar to the direct Social Housing applicants.

**Recommendation No. 2:**

That, Limerick City and County Council notes the contents of the Draft Homeless Policy Document and approves the contents therein.

(Draft Homeless Policy Document Enclosed)

**5. Economic Development****(a) Development Fund Allocations**

To note the proposed allocations from the Development Fund 2020.

(Report Enclosed)

**(b) Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028**

To note the statutory commencement of the preparation of the Limerick Development Plan 2022-2028, with the publication of an Issues Paper on 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2020.

(Report Enclosed)

**6. Community Development****(a) Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2019**

To note the Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2019.

(Report Enclosed)

**(b) Limerick Cultural Strategy**

To consider approving recommended allocations of strategic investment priorities for the delivery of the Cultural Strategy 2020.

(Report Enclosed)

**(c) International Mobility Award Scheme 2020 – Round 1**

To consider approving the recommended allocations under the International Mobility Award Scheme 2020 – Round 1.

(Report Enclosed)

**(d) Grants under the Arts Act**

To consider approving recommended grants under the Arts Act, 2003.

(Report Enclosed)

**(e) Individual Arts Bursary Awards**

To consider approving recommendations of the Individual Arts Bursary Assessment Panel.

(Report Enclosed)

**(f) Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary Awards**

To consider approving recommendation of the Dolores O’Riordan Music Bursary Assessment Panel.

(Report Enclosed)

**7. Conferences****(i) Participation by Members at Conferences**

All Conferences are deferred.

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

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

(Reports Enclosed)

**QUESTIONS****8. Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will ask at the next Meeting how many applications for the Bin Waiver Scheme were awarded across the City and County prior to the closing date for the 2020 Scheme.

**9. Question submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney**

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the progress being made in securing funding to complete Phase Two of Patrickswell Village Renewal Scheme.

**10. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe**

I will ask at the next Meeting what plans has Limerick City and County Council to commemorate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the murders of Michael O'Callaghan and George Clancy, Limerick's two murdered Mayors in 1921.

**11. Question submitted by Councillor S. Keary**

I will ask at the next Meeting for the following information in relation to the Great Southern Greenway Upgrade:

- (a) When was the design for this project finalised.
- (b) Why did work proceed to tender stage without consultation with the Elected Members as was agreed at the November Workshop in Newcastle West.
- (c) Who prepared the Tender Documents.
- (d) The names of the Contractors who tendered for the project.
- (e) The value of the tenders submitted by all Contractors - not in relative order.
- (f) The cost associated with the construction of an additional 800 metres of Greenway to divert away from the farm building on the Greenway at Coolybrown, Ardagh, which was granted planning permission by this Authority (1) Land procurement cost, (2) Greenway construction cost.
- (g) Did this farm building receive grant-aid from the Department of Agriculture.
- (h) Was there a requirement to apply for planning permission to construct this 800 metres additional section of trail.
- (i) What design features are included in this project towards accommodating people with special needs who wish to use the Greenway.

**12. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan**

I will ask at the next Meeting for a detailed breakdown of €175,000 allocated to meet Traveller needs during COVID-19 pandemic; has this money been spent and, if not, what are the plans for the rest of this funding.

**13. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan**

I will ask at the next Meeting for an update on the Council's allocations for Traveller-specific accommodation; how much of this funding has been spent in 2020 and what are the plans for expenditure for 2020.

**14. Question submitted by Councillor B. Collins**

I will ask at the next Meeting if Limerick City and County Council will immediately establish a Working Group of all relevant stakeholders to design, deliver and roll out a marketing strategy advertising Limerick City and County as a Safe Destination for visitors.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**15. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L. Galvin**

I will move at the next Meeting that (a) this Council totally reject the National Planning Framework policy regarding once-off rural housing based on social and economic need; (b) a Meeting be arranged with the Minister responsible to highlight the issues around this policy; and (c) this Motion be circulated to all Local Authorities to discuss and support same.

**16. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. Secas**

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council call on the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government to introduce comprehensive legislation on the operation of current and future retirement villages, as already exists in many other jurisdictions.

**17. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Leddin (to be referred to Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council ensure that the maximum allocation of social and affordable houses is secured from the planned residential development by Limerick 2030 in Mungret and that the Council not accept any alternative options as provided under the relevant housing legislation.

**18. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors K. Sheahan, B. Collins, S. Keary, E. O'Brien, J. O'Donoghue, A. Teskey**

We will move at the next Meeting that the Council communicate with each of the Party Leaders in the Republic to adopt a policy granting each Credit Union branch the authorisation to become a Building Society.



**19. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors J. O'Donoghue, B. Collins, S. Keary, E. O'Brien, K. Sheahan, A. Teskey**

We will move at the next Meeting that the Council communicate with each of the Party Leaders in the Republic to adopt a policy to revise some of the Planning Regulations whereby we could encourage rural people to return to the practice of building country homes (cottages) where the applicant is supplying the site.

**20. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor T. Ruddle (to be referred to Protocol Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting that the Council would initiate plans for a permanent Memorial structure in honour of Sophie Pierce, a pioneering global aviator, to be erected in the town of Newcastle West, in recognition of her leadership in promoting the role of women in society, her contribution to modern aviation and her place as a Limerick woman who secured global recognition over several generations.

**21. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Hartigan**

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council engage with Councillors to identify ways to limit the widespread use of election posters, for example, displaying posters at strategic locations in communities as an alternative to widespread posterage on poles.

**22. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Brien (to be referred to the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting that the Chief Executive deliver the report and findings of the Riverway Design Enabling Review, commissioned in June 2017 and undertaken by Senior Architect, Rosie Webb.

**23. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan (to be referred to the Protocol Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council allow for live streaming of all Council Meetings deemed open to the public; that the Council implement this urgently, considering the impact of public accessibility to Council Meetings due to COVID-19 restrictions.

**24. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will move at the next meeting that this Council call on the Government to give a clear commitment to make up the financial shortfall for Local Authorities arising from the loss of commercial rates and other revenues due to the COVID-19 emergency.

**25. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan (to be referred to the Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting that the Council write to the Minister for Agriculture requesting the establishment of a National Animal Cruelty Register to make it harder for people who are banned from owning animals to obtain new animals; that the Council amend the Control of Horses Bye-Laws to ban horses in housing estates; and that the Council engage with the relevant authorities on education and outreach programme around the care of horses.

**26. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor B. Collins (to be referred to the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next meeting that Limerick City and County Council supports “The National Small Business Recovery Plan” in order to protect the thousands of jobs that SMEs provide throughout County Limerick; and, further, that Limerick City and County Council request the Government to fund and immediately implement the actions of The National Small Business Recovery Plan using EU funding recovery schemes.

**27. Correspondence**

(Copy of Correspondence Enclosed)