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

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

The Mayor, Councillor Michael Collins, has called an Online Special Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to be held on **Wednesday**, **7**th **April**, **2021**, at **3pm**.

The business to be transacted is set out on the appended Agenda.

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James Clune,

Meetings Administrator.

AGENDA

1. National and Regional Shared Services Directorate

National Broadband Ireland

To receive a progress update for the Limerick Area from National Broadband Ireland in relation to the roll-out of high-speed broadband under the National Broadband Plan.

(Presentation from Chief Operating Officer (Deployment),
National Broadband Ireland)

2. <u>Economic Development Directorate</u>

Recommendation from Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee Meeting held on 29th March, 2021:

Limerick City and County Council, recognising the difficulties that many of our SME companies were in as a result of COVID, have held several special Strategic Policy Committee meetings to consider this matter and to make a submission to the SME Taskforce on behalf of Mid-West SMEs who were preparing a report 'The National SME and Entrepreneurship Plan' during 2020 and again in 2021 to review the recommendations in the completed report of the Taskforce.

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At our most recent Strategic Policy Committee meeting to consider this matter, the SPC members have approved that a local SME Committee be established as a subcommittee of Innovate Limerick and that the membership of the committee should include:

- The Mayor of the City and County of Limerick.
- Representatives of the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning SPC x 2.
- Representatives of the business community x 3.
- A member of the Education/Training/Skills community x 1.

The committee will have a dual reporting relationship with the Board of Innovate Limerick and the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee and will be supported by staff members from Innovate and Economic Development.