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14th April, 2021.

To: The Cathaoirleach and each Member of the Metropolitan District of Limerick

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

You are requested to attend an Online Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick to be held on Monday, 19th April, 2021 at 9.45 am.

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

Is mise le meas,

Mark Leahy,
Meetings Administrator.

AGENDA

1. Minutes

To adopt Minutes of Monthly Online Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick held on 19th March, 2021.

(Copy Enclosed).

2. Disposal of Land

To note proposal for the disposal of land as follows:

- (a) Disposal of Freehold Interest of premises consisting of a dwelling house situate at 52 Sycamore Avenue, Rathbane, Limerick.
- (b) Disposal of Freehold Interest of premises consisting of a dwelling house situate at 30 St. Laurence Park, Garryowen, Limerick.
- (c) Disposal of 0.46 acres at Rhebogue, Limerick.
- (d) Disposal at Mungret College, Limerick.
- (e) Disposal of 9 Lower Gerald Griffin Street, Limerick.

(Reports Enclosed).

3. Community Contributions Grant Scheme - General Municipal Allocation (GMA)

To consider the approval of allocations under the Community Contributions Grant Scheme – General Municipal Allocations (GMA).

(Report Enclosed).

4. Economic Development Directorate

Draft Southern Environs Local Area Plan 2021 -2027

To consider the Chief Executive's Report dated 19th March 2021 on the Material Alterations received on the Draft Southern Environs Local Area Plan 2021 -2027 and decide whether or not to make or amend the proposed Local Area Plan in accordance with Section 20 (3) (n) of the Planning and Development Act (As Amended).

(Report Enclosed).

QUESTIONS

5. Question submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney

I will ask the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the audit of Community and Arts facilities in Limerick City and County and the expected publication date.

6. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many road sweepers Limerick City and County Council has, where they are normally kept and will Limerick City and County Council allocate a permanent sweeper to the Limerick City East area.

7. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Noise Action Plan 2018-2023 and if TII have given Limerick City and County Council a response regarding the implementation of noise mitigation measures for the M7, following the Council's meeting with TII in October last year.

8. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when the Burial Ground Strategy will be presented to the Elected Members for approval and if the Metropolitan District of Limerick City and County Council have made any progress in identifying a suitable site for a new burial ground in Castletroy.

9. Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what is the unit cost for reconnection of utilities due to long term vacancy and what was the total cost to Limerick City and County Council for 2020.

10. Question submitted by Councillor F. Kilcoyne

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick:

- (1) How many developers have current full planning permission in Patrickswell area for housing.
- (2) How many houses are presently granted full planning permission in Patrickswell.

11. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick can Limerick City and County Council advise what are the plans for the railway line running behind Rathbane and Janesboro. This unused railway line is causing anti social behaviour and rubbish dumping which is leading to rat infestation. Can the Council liaise with Irish Rail to get this problem sorted out.

12. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick can Limerick City and County Council advise what plans they have in regard to the land bank between the wet green in Monaleen Park and the Motorway. Can the existing fence be extended the full length of the border and a gate fitted to be opened during the day so people can go walking. Also it would be a great idea to plant trees along the border.

13. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick can Limerick City and County Council advise if they have received an update from the TII on the mitigation remedies recommended by the Council in regards to noise from the M7.

14. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if temporary public toilets could be installed over the Summer months to support people accessing the city.

15. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the "Guiding Limerick through Covid-19" plans and if the mobility plans will be reinstated for Summer 2021.

16. Question submitted by Councillor J. Collins

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, regarding the Failte outdoor dining capital expenditure funding:

How will locations be decided for outdoor dining investment.

What criteria will be used to assess proposed locations.

Will there be a formal application process to propose locations.

17. Question submitted by Councillor J. Collins

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the proposed new cycle and pedestrian infrastructure projects on St. Nessan's Road and Dooradoyle Road. Have plans and a programme schedule been completed. Can they be circulated to Members.

18. Question submitted by Councillor J. Collins

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a progress update on proposed locations for dog parks.

19. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many planning enforcement notices have the Council issued since March 2020 up until March 2021 on the Northside of the city.

20. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what are the results of the extensive structural examination of the concrete structures on the Weir Bridge which is situated in O'Dwyers Villas.

21. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what are the results following an engineers examination of the existing wall in Browns Quay which runs parallel with the River Shannon and the likelihood of more flooding occurring thus leaving residents vulnerable.

22. Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what the assessment criteria for the disposal of lands in relation to the Whitebox/Cluid Coonagh site proposal that includes the private University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) hospital and if the proposal was considered in the context of proximity to regeneration areas.

NOTICES OF MOTION

23. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Slattery (to be referred to the Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that basketball facilities be established at parks and outdoor recreational facilities in Limerick City and County.

24. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor D. Butler

I call on the Metropolitan District of Limerick City and County Council to work with Government to clearly define what wildlife conservation protections exist in trees and hedging boundaries between individual properties and between different housing estates, and also that Councillors be briefed on what, if any, existing powers currently apply locally.

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

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the Metropolitan District of Limerick City and County Council engage with OPW and other relevant agencies to remove the Annacotty Weir on the River Mulkear so that lampreys can travel the river freely.

26. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. Secas (to be referred to the Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the Metropolitan District of Limerick City and County Council introduce a digital advertising bins pilot program at parks that will remind people to feed the bin not the grass and will display public information messages and ads. Such a program will help the Council to get some revenue in return for the advertising opportunities.

27. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Benson

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council should examine the Community Wealth Building model with a view to incorporating it into their Local Economic Community Plans (LECP).

Community Wealth Building has emerged as a powerful approach to local economic development and has been particularly successful in Preston, England, North Ayrshire, Scotland and Cleveland, United States.

The model will allow counties to leverage existing resources, such as procurement, to meet local needs while creating quality employment and promoting equity and sustainability.

- The Council initiate dialogue with local public bodies and semi-state companies in the locality regarding their potential role in the strategy.
- Local businesses, enterprises and community activists need to be brought into the discussion around developing the project.
- The Council could also engage with Councils in Preston, North Ayrshire and elsewhere which have successfully developed this model.

28. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor F. Kilcoyne (to be referred to the Local Electoral Area Briefings)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a name change from Vartry Field to Vartry Park, Raheen in light of recreational works and public lighting carried out on behalf of local residents.

29. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor F. Kilcoyne (to be referred to the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, that in order to encourage development to start and once full planning permission is granted, that Limerick City and County Council give a reduction \ refund in their development levies of 10% to the developer, provided the development commences within the first two and half years.

30. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan (to be referred to the Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that road markings are reviewed when designing and upgrading roads to ensure they are in line with the Design Manual for Urban Roads and Streets to facilitate the reallocation of space from private vehicles to pedestrians and cyclists.

31. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors J. Collins and E. O'Donovan

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, considering the increased funding for walking infrastructure, that footpaths from Ballinacurra Gardens and Roundwood be extended to the Rossbrien roundabout to facilitate people to safely walk this popular route.

32. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council carry out a site identification study for the provision of a Community Walkway and Playground in Patrickswell Village to ensure Limerick City and County Council are prepared to make a funding application for such works in the future.

33. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council permits outdoor dining at all commercial premises for Summer 2021. This would entail the use of outdoor awnings, canopies, seating and tables on pathways along all commercial hospitality frontage to assist commercial premises who had to close due to Covid-19 restrictions as they reopen for Summer 2021.

34. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan (to be referred to the Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council identify suitable locations for additional public toilets within the Metropolitan area.

35. Correspondence

(Copy of Correspondence Enclosed)