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COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON MONDAY 27 SEPTEMBER, 2021.

Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir

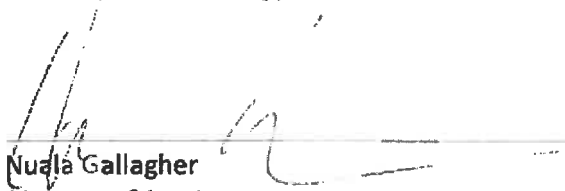
I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council consider the appointment of a Biodiversity Officer.

REPLY:

The Council, in accordance with the National Biodiversity Plan, is committed to protecting and enhancing the biodiversity of the County. This is a key objective of the Draft County Development Plan, and the Council has assigned a number of staff to undertake a range of plans and projects, including supporting community biodiversity initiatives.

Following the Council's commitment to the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan in 2019, the team have developed a number of pollinator friendly projects, including the creation of flower meadows across our parks in the last two years. The Council is also currently preparing a Blue and Green Infrastructure Strategy for the City, which will provide a framework for nature based solutions, the development of connecting ecological corridors, and the identification of projects to enhance our biodiversity.

The Council will seek to continue to build on these plans and initiatives over the coming years on a cross-departmental basis, having consideration to our wider climate action obligations. The Council is currently reviewing the work programme and resources and this will include consideration to a biodiversity officer and/or assigned responsibilities within the overall environmental strategy structure.


Nuala Gallagher
Director of Service
Planning, Environment and Placemaking
22 September, 2021

LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL

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Notice of Motion submitted by the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock (Councillors J. Egan (Proposer), P.J. Carey, M. Donegan, G. Mitchell, E. Ryan, M. Ryan, B. Teefy

“We will move at the next Meeting that, in consultation with CIE, the railway line from Limerick to Limerick Junction be upgraded to ensure better connection to Cork.”

REPLY: The dual tracking of the rail line from Limerick Junction to Colbert Station in Limerick has been identified as a Medium Term Objective in the Implementation Plan of the Draft Limerick Shannon Metropolitan Area Transport Strategy. The Council will continue to liaise with Iarnród Éireann and the National Transport Authority in this regard.

Brian Kennedy

**Brian Kennedy,
Director of Services,
Transportation and Mobility Directorate.**

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