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Limerick City
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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 Meeting of Limerick City and County Council to be held in the **Council Chamber, Dooradoyle, and Online** on Monday, 28th March, 2022, at 3pm. The business to be transacted is set out on the appended Agenda.

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Laura Flannery,
Meetings Administrator.

AGENDA

1. Minutes

To adopt Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 24th January, 2022.
- (b) Special Meeting of the Council held on 11th February, 2022.
- (c) Special Meeting of the Council held on 18th February, 2022.
- (d) Special Meeting of the Council held on 3rd March, 2022.
- (e) Special Meeting of the Council held on 11th March, 2022.

2. Limerick Comhairle na nÓg

To receive Deputation from Limerick Comhairle na nÓg.

3. Declaration of Interest

4. 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) 14 Donnellan Buildings, Rosbrien, Limerick.
- (b) Killarney Pole to Barnagh.
- (c) 4, Mitchell Street, Limerick.
- (d) Ballybehy South, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick.
- (e) 2, Church Street, Askeaton, Co. Limerick.
- (f) 1, Fairhill, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick.
- (g) Holycross, Rathkeale, Co. Limerick.
- (h) 11 and 12 Clontarf Place (including 1-4 Wellesley Lane), Limerick.
- (i) Woolworth's Lane, Limerick.
- (j) 35, Lord Edward Street, Limerick.
- (k) Clash North, Athea, Co. Limerick.
- (l) 3, Mount Vincent Place, O'Connell Avenue, Limerick.
- (m) Galvone Business Park, Galvone, Limerick.
- (n) Rathronan, Gortnagross, Athea, Co. Limerick.
- (o) Ardrahin, Galbally, Co. Limerick.
- (p) 69, Castlevue Estate, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.
- (q) 6, Radharc na Feile, Abbeyfeale, Co. Limerick.
- (r) 4, Lower Maiden Street, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.
- (s) Kilmurry, Feenagh, Co. Limerick.
- (t) Moneymohill, Ballyhahill, Co. Limerick.
- (u) North Road, Coolaboy, Dromcollogher, Co. Limerick.
- (v) Former Garda Station, Mary Street, Limerick.
- (w) 1-10 Cois na Feile, Abbeyfeale.

(Statutory Notices dated 21st January, 25th February, 1st, 3rd, 8th, 14th and 16th March, 2022, already circulated)

5. Support Services

(a) Chief Executive's Report

To consider Chief Executive's Report for the months of January and February, 2022.

(Reports Enclosed)

(b) Raising of Loan to fund the issuing of Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans (RIHL) and Local Authority Home Loans (LAHL) by Limerick City and County Council to Borrowers

To consider approving application for sanction from the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, in accordance with Section 106 of the Local Government Act, 2001 as amended, for a loan in the amount of €4,840,000 to fund the drawdown of Rebuilding Ireland Home Loans and Local Authority Home Loans. This loan will be drawn from the Housing Finance Agency.

(Report Enclosed)

(c) Annual Service Delivery Plan 2022

To consider the adoption of the Annual Service Delivery Plan 2022.

(Report and Draft Annual Service Delivery Plan 2022 Enclosed)

(d) Annual Report 2021

To consider Draft Annual Report 2021.

(Report and Draft Annual Report Enclosed)

(e) Strategic Policy Committee Reports

To consider reports as follows:

- (i) Chairperson's Report - Meeting of Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee held on 23rd February, 2022.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

Recommendation

That, Limerick City and County Council write to the Minister with responsibility for Public Procurement to seek guidance in relation to the development of a policy on the procurement of sustainable food and beverages, and catering services.

- (ii) Chairperson's Reports - Meetings of Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee held on 28th February and 14th March, 2022.

(Chairperson's Reports Enclosed)

Recommendation No. 1

That, Limerick City and County Council develop a proposal whereby each Councillor will plant 100 broadleaf trees, and also write to Transport Infrastructure Ireland to explore the possibilities of each Councillor having fifty per cent of the broadleaf trees planted on landbanks along the Motorway to serve towards absorbing carbon emissions from traffic on the Motorway.

Recommendation No. 2

That, Limerick City and County Council adopt a policy and appoint a senior official to co-ordinate a plan, in conjunction with Coillte, to identify suitable places for the planting of 50 mature native broadleaf Irish trees per annum in site-specific locations, in an effort to combat climate change.

Recommendation No. 3

That, Limerick City and County Council call on the Government to change national policy to support the liquid natural gas plant at Ballylongford.

Recommendation No. 4

That, the increase in burial ground charges be reversed.

- (iii) Chairperson's Report – Meeting of Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee held on 7th February, 2022.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

- (iv) Chairperson's Report – Meeting of Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee held on 22nd February, 2022.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

Recommendation

That, Limerick City and County Council will, in accordance with commitments made as signatory to the Local Authority Climate Charter (2019), employ a process for carbon-proofing in any future major transport decisions, programmes and projects to ensure that the plan, programme or investment is aligned with the Climate Action and Low Carbon Development (Amendment) Act 2021.

- (v) Chairperson's Report – Meeting of Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee held on 16th February, 2022.

(Chairperson's Report Enclosed)

Recommendation

That, this Council write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage asking him to implement a Scheme which would allow an existing Local Authority tenant to extend property where needed due to social or health issues whereby the tenant would then be given a discount/write-off on their rent.

6. Community, Tourism and Culture

(a) Grants under the Arts Act

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

(Report Enclosed)

(b) Local Community Development Committee Annual Report 2021

To note the 2021 Annual Report of the Limerick Local Community Development Committee.

(Report Enclosed)

7. Conferences

(a) Participation by Members at Conference

To consider participation by Members at Cross Border Tourism Webinar – Learn from the Best and Grow your Visitor Numbers – to be held on 16th April, 2022.

(Details already circulated electronically)

(b) Reports on Conference / Seminar / Meeting / Event

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

(Report Enclosed)

ADJOURNED NOTICE OF MOTION

8. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor K. Sheahan

I will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council give its full support to commemorate the five hundred year anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Askeaton taking place in June 2023.

QUESTIONS

9. Question submitted by Councillor F. Daly

I will ask at the next Meeting are we not going to acknowledge Limerick Senior Hurling Champions 2020/21 and management - a team and management that brought joy and honour to every man, woman and child to the City, County and beyond. I am being asked this on a regular basis by my constituents.

10. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next Meeting for a detailed outline of the current plans to tackle derelict houses in Limerick that are Council-owned in areas such as Kennedy Park and Hyde Road and Lenihan Avenue, Prospect. These areas have many derelict Council-owned properties and the Council is in the process of acquiring more properties through Compulsory Purchase Order. The Council needs to refurbish these properties so that they can be allocated as soon as possible.

11. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Brien

I will ask at the next Meeting what is the protocol of flying flags adjacent to our National Flag.

12. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting how many families, including children, are currently housed in Thomond Student Village.

13. Question submitted by Councillor J. Costelloe

I will ask at the next Meeting what progress has been made in acquiring the funding to restore and reopen the Black Bridge in Plassey given its vital link to Co. Clare, and when will work commence on the structure.

NOTICES OF MOTION**14. Notice of Motion submitted by the Municipal District of Cappamore-Kilmallock - Councillors J. Egan (Proposer), P.J. Carey, M. Donegan, G. Mitchell, M. Ryan, B. Teefy**

We will move at the next Meeting that Limerick City and County Council Library Service produce a document to commemorate local engagement in the Irish War of Independence in Limerick City and County, similar to the War of Independence West Cork Trail published by Cork County Council Library Service.

15. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L. Galvin

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council put in place a working system for signing GDPR consent forms. The current system is not manageable in any event, especially emergencies. I will also call on the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage to intervene and that this Motion be circulated to all Local Authorities.

16. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council calls on the Irish Government to ratify, as soon as possible, the Convention against Trafficking in Human Organs which was adopted by the Council of Europe on 9 July 2014 in order to criminalise illegal organ transplantations.

17. Notice of Motion submitted by the Municipal District of Adare-Rathkeale – Councillors A. Teskey (Proposer) Collins (B), Keary, O'Brien, O'Donoghue, Sheahan (K)

We will move at the next Meeting that this Council should support the Health Service Executive in the current pandemic situation, where there are delays for ambulances due to staffing shortages, by allowing the Fire & Emergency Services be activated to emergency medical calls to provide first responder assistance in life and death situations.

18. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor O. O'Sullivan

I will move at the next Meeting that the Council write to the Minister for Health, Mr. Stephen Donnelly, T.D., in support of Vicky Phelan's call for the establishment of a Minister for Women's Health, and to seek an update on the progress of the Patient Safety Bill.

19. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Keary

I will move at the next Meeting that this Authority would seek funding from the Minister for Social Protection, Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys, TD, to provide Kildimo's new Community Centre with the shortfall of €182,000 needed to complete the project as a result of Covid and recent inflationary construction cost increases.

20. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor J. Scanlan

I will move at the next Meeting that this Authority bring the cost of grave space in Rural County Limerick into line with that charged for graves in our neighbouring Authorities of Kerry and Clare.

21. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will move at the next meeting that Limerick City and County Council (i) initiate public consultation to get female perspectives on how best to make public spaces safe, and (ii) carry out a safety audit of all public spaces in the city and county to identify all public spaces that are not women-friendly, with a view to redesigning them with the safety needs of women in mind.

22. Correspondence