

## CORRESPONDENCE

### January 2023 Council Meeting

- Letter received on 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2022, from the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media in reply to resolution adopted by the Council *'calling on the Minister for Social Protection and the Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media to find a solution which would allow artists with disabilities to be in receipt of the Basic Income for Artists payment without it affecting their disability supports and request the introduction of a Pilot Scheme for artists with disabilities, to co-exist for the duration for the Basic Income for Artists Pilot Scheme which would remove the weekly earnings limit and means test from those in receipt of disability supports.'*
- E-Mail received on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2022, from the Office of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, in reply to resolution adopted by the Council *'that this Local Authority call on the Minister for Housing to amend the proposed tax on residential zoned land to the following: If an attempt to purchase Qualified residential zoned land at the market value on the day is refused by the property owner, that the tax be implemented on the said property for that year and subsequent years, until such time as the said property is either de-zoned or developed, and that active farmed land be exempt.'*
- E-Mail received on 5<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Office of the Minister for Finance; letter received on 7<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Department of Justice; and e-mail received on 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, from the Office of the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform in reply to resolution adopted by the Council calling on the Minister for Justice to carry out an immediate review on the provision of pay and pension entitlements for members of An Garda Síochána, a copy of the resolution having been forwarded to the Minister for Finance and Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform.
- E-Mails received on 6<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Office of the Minister for Health in response to resolution adopted by the Council calling on the Minister for Health *'(a) to designate a Minister for Women's Health, as a matter of priority, as exists in other jurisdictions; (b) to explain why no progress has been made to advance the Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill, 2019, since it passed Dáil Committee Stage in March this year; and (c) to progress this Bill as a matter of priority to Dáil Report Stage and, thereafter, through all Stages in the Seanad, as promised to this Council in the Minister's correspondence of April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022.*

- Letters received on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Senior Executive Officer, Cork County Council, enclosing copies of correspondence issued to Government Ministers as follows:
  - (i) Letter sent to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage expressing concern at the proposed Planning and Development Bill coming before cabinet, limiting local Councillors' powers, and seeking to change the term of the County Development Plan to ten years; with a copy of the resolution having been circulated to all local authorities, the Local Authority Members' Association and the Association of Irish Local Government.
  - (ii) Letter sent to the Minister for Finance calling for the reintroduction of an income tax credit scheme to incentivise and encourage many more Irish people to take out personal health insurance cover, while also preserving the existing rebate of up to €200 at the point of purchase.
  - (iii) Letter sent to the Minister for Rural and Community Development calling for the Department of Transport to contribute financially to the Local Improvement Scheme as presently all funding comes from the Department of Community and Rural Development.
  
- E-Mails received on 14<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Office of the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, and on 16<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, from the Office of the Minister for Finance, in response to resolution adopted by the Council *"seeking further clarification from the relevant Government Department on the new Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT) to be introduced in February 2024 - to extend the submission period and commencement period by a minimum of three calendar months to allow affected property owners to make the necessary submissions and observations"* - a copy of the resolution having been sent to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage and the Minister for Finance.
  
- Letter received on 16<sup>th</sup> December, 2022, from the Meetings Administrator, Kerry County Council, outlining resolution adopted by the Municipal District of Killarney calling on the relevant Ministers to retain the housing accommodation of Ukrainian refugees, when vacated, for the homeless and those on the housing waiting list.
  
- Copy of correspondence sent to the Minister for Health by Monaghan County Council - received on 22<sup>nd</sup> December, 2022, from the Meetings Administrator, Monaghan County Council - outlining resolution adopted by the Council in relation to organ retention of babies.

- Letter received on 23<sup>rd</sup> December, 2022, from the Deputy Chief Executive, National Transport Authority, in reply to resolution adopted by the Council calling on the Minister for Transport to adopt a policy at National level to have bus shelters constructed where there is a bus stop and that this Motion, if adopted, be circulated to all local authorities, a copy also having been sent to the National Transport Authority.
  - Letter received on 4<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, from the Meetings Administrator, Meath County Council, outlining resolution adopted by the Council calling on the Government to amend the Electricity Regulation Act and associated legislation to allow for the consideration and possible implementation of nuclear power generation in Ireland.
  - Letter received on 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, from the Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services, Clare County Council, outlining resolution adopted by the Council regarding the ongoing crisis at University Hospital Limerick and calling on the HSE and the Minister for Health to immediately open Ennis, Nenagh and St. John's as full accident and emergency departments on a full-time 24-hour, 7 days a week basis.
  - Copy of Letter sent to the Minister for Transport by Cork County Council - received on 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023, from the Senior Executive Officer, Cork County Council - calling on the Minister for Transport to consider allowing Uber to operate in the country.
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An Roinn Turasóireachta, Cultúir,  
Ealaíon, Gaeltachta, Spóirt agus Meán  
Department of Tourism, Culture,  
Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media



Ms. Laura Flannery  
Corporate Services,  
Limerick City and County Council,  
Corporate Headquarters  
Merchants Quay  
Limerick



24 November 2022

Our Ref: CHG-MO-01722-2022

Dear Ms. Flannery,

The issues referred to in the Council's motion relate primarily to the manner in which social welfare schemes assess income from other sources. It is important to emphasise that eligibility for social welfare supports is a matter for the Minister for Social Protection and I do not have any statutory function in that regard.

However, I can assure the Council that the issue of disabled artists participating in the basic income scheme is a matter which I take seriously. The issues around Disability Allowance are something my officials and I were aware of from the outset of planning this intervention. Stakeholder engagement has been core to the policy development process for the Basic Income for the Arts and this included a stakeholder forum on 15 December 2021, which over 150 people attended, representing 50 resource organisations and representative organisations, including disabled artists and representatives from Arts and Disability Ireland. In addition, my Department held a public consultation throughout the month of January and the impact of such a scheme on artists with disabilities was a theme which was raised throughout the consultation.

I accept that disabled people face additional barriers and costs in order to take up employment. The BIA is a support to help artists develop self-sustaining self-employed creative practices. Government has agreed that the National Disability Inclusion Strategy Steering Group, which is chaired by Minister Anne Rabbitte, will consider issues facing disabled people, this is a whole of Government issue and not just a basic income issue.

I have met with the NCFA (National Campaign for the Arts) and DADA (Disabled Artist & Disabled Academics) on these issues. These groups have also participated in the stakeholder forum last December.

The pilot scheme is a three-year research programme to examine the impact a basic income style payment could have on artists and creative arts workers and their creative practice. A key research question will be the impact such a payment could have on artists with disabilities.

I was determined since the outset of the BIA pilot scheme that artists with disabilities would be in a position to participate in the scheme to the greatest extent possible within the legislative framework to ensure the research captured the experience of disabled artists. To that end bilateral engagement has been ongoing between my Department and the Department of Social Protection, to get agreement that the payment will be treated as earnings from self-employment and can be taken into account in earnings disregards that applies to many social welfare payments including Disability Allowance. That means that the basic income for the arts will be treated like any other income a person on social welfare earns from employment.

The actual impact of the Basic Income on a person's welfare entitlements will depend on each individual's circumstances, applicants will need to engage with the Department of Social Protection on the matter.

The Department of Social Protection published a guide to the Interaction of the Basic Income for the Arts Pilot Scheme with DSP Payments (<https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/bd818-interaction-of-the-basic-income-for-the-arts-pilot-scheme-with-dsp-payments/#>) on Gov.ie on 13 April to assist all applicants for BIA in receipt of DSP supports including those with disabilities.

The Department of Social Protection has also undertaken to engage directly with disabled artists who are selected for the pilot to help them understand the impact accepting the payment would have in their individual circumstances.

I believe that the Basic Income for the Arts has the potential to help artists and creative arts workers including those with disabilities to overcome labour market barriers by creating a self-sustaining creative practice, operating on a self-employed basis. It is worth noting that of the approximately 9,000 applications received for the basic income for that arts pilot scheme 6.9% of the applications are from those with a disability.

I trust that this information is of interest to the Council.

Yours sincerely,



Catherine Martin

Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media

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**From:** Housing Minister  
**Sent:** Thursday 1 December 2022 09:00  
**To:** Customer Services; Housing Minister Of State;  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]FAO Laura Flannery

Dear Ms Flannery

Thank you for your email to Mr. Darragh O'Brien, T.D., and Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, in connection with the attached.

The issue you raise comes under the remit of the Minister of State Peter Buke who has responsibility for planning. I have, therefore, forwarded your correspondence to his Office for attention and direct reply.

Yours Sincerely

**Niamh Redmond**  
**Private Secretary**

Minister Darragh O'Brien's Office

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\*The Minister is a Designated Public Official under the Regulation of Lobbying Act, 2015 (details available on [www.lobbying.ie](http://www.lobbying.ie))



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**From:** Ministers Office  
**Sent:** Monday, December 5, 2022 2:44 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]FIN-MO-05834-2022

Our Ref: FIN-MO-05834-2022

Ms Laura Flannery

Meetings Administrator

Dear Ms. Flannery,

The Minister for Finance, Mr. Paschal Donohoe TD, has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter received 5th December 2022.

Yours sincerely,

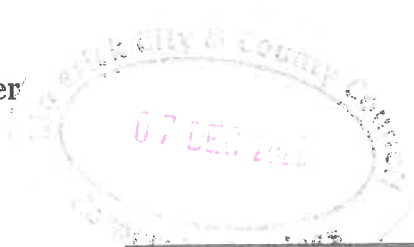
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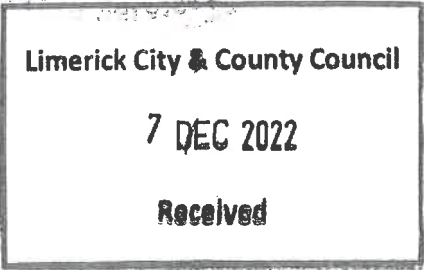
Private Secretary to the Minister for Finance



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Corporate Services  
Limerick City and County Council  
Corporate Headquarters  
Merchant's Quay  
Limerick



*Handwritten initials*

5th December 2022

Minister's Reference: DJE-MO-11450-2022

Dear Ms. Flannery,

I wish to acknowledge receipt and thank you for your correspondence dated 2nd December 2022, concerning pay and pension entitlements for An Garda Síochána, which is currently receiving attention.

Yours sincerely,

Heather Humphreys T.D.

*Please note that if the issue raised in your correspondence is deemed more appropriate to another organisation, such as another Government Department or Agency, your correspondence will be forwarded to that organisation for attention in accordance with the provisions of the Department of Justice Privacy Statement, which can be accessed on our website here: <https://www.justice.ie/en/JELR/DOJ-Privacy-Notice-2022.pdf/Files/DOJ-Privacy-Notice-2022.pdf>.*



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**From:** Minister McGraths Office  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 11, 2023 5:07 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]PER-MMO-02620-2022

Our ref: PER-MMO-02620-2022

Ms Laura Flannery  
Meetings Administrator  
Corporate Services  
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Corporate Headquarters  
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Dear Ms. Flannery

The Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform has asked me to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter.

As the issue raised is a matter, in the first instance, for the Minister for Justice, Mr Simon Harris TD, your letter has been forwarded to his department for attention and direct reply.

Yours sincerely

Niamh Collins

Private Secretary to the Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform

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**From:** Ministers Office  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 6, 2022 3:53 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]HEA-MO-12200-2022

HEA-MO-12200-2022

6th December 2022

Dear Ms. Flannery,

On behalf of the Minister for Health, Stephen Donnelly T.D., I acknowledge receipt of your recent letter dated on 02/12/2022.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Conroy.

Private Secretary to the Minister for Health

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**From:** Ministers Office  
**Sent:** Monday, December 19, 2022 4:36 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]HEA-MO-12200-2022

HEA-MO-12200-2022

19th December 2022

Dear Ms. Flannery,

Thank you for your letter dated 2 December, 2022. In relation to point a) raised in your correspondence, women's health is a key priority for the Minister and for this Government. The Programme for Government laid out our commitment to improving women's health outcomes and experiences – a commitment since backed up with €69.2 million in funding in Budget 2023 and €31 million in funding in Budget 2022. In March this year, on International Women's Day, the Minister launched the Women's Health Action Plan 2022-2023, laying out the actions that the Department will take to deliver real change for women in Ireland. As part of this work, the Department will continue to listen to women, women's health advocates and women's health professionals. The Minister looks forward to this ongoing engagement as work continues to build a responsive health service for women in Ireland.

I also wish to acknowledge your concerns raised in point b) and c) of your correspondence and provide information on the current status of the Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019.

The Patient Safety (Notifiable Patient Safety Incidents) Bill 2019 provides the legislative framework for a number of important patient safety issues, including the mandatory open disclosure of a list of notifiable patient safety incidents and the notification of the same externally to the Health Information and Quality Authority, Chief Inspector of Social Services, and the Mental Health Commission, as appropriate, to contribute to national learning and system-wide improvements. This mandatory requirement for open disclosure will ensure that patients and their families receive appropriate timely information in relation to an incident that may have occurred in relation to their care.

The Bill went to Dáil Report stage and was presented to the members of the Dáil by the Minister for Health on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022. It was then agreed that the Report Stage discussion of the Bill be adjourned until January, to allow for preparation of a further amendment in relation to patient requested reviews of their cancer screening.

This additional amendment that will be introduced in the Bill will place further obligations on health services providers to provide full information to patients about their patient requested reviews.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Conroy

Private Secretary to the Minister for Health

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Mr. Darragh O'Brien, TD,  
Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage of Ireland,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street,  
Dublin 2

12<sup>th</sup> December 2022

*Our Ref: FC/December1.AOB*


Dear Minister O'Brien,

At a recent meeting of Cork County Council, the Mayor and Members resolved as follows:-

***“That Cork County Council would write to the Minister for Housing, Local Government & Heritage of Ireland to express concern at the proposed Planning & Development Bill coming before cabinet this week which will limit local Councillors’ powers. The proposed bill seeks to change the term of the County Development Plan to ten years which is far too long. Members also agreed to circulate the letter to all local authorities as well as LAMA and AILG.”***

I would be obliged if you would consider the above matter and let me have your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,

  
**MAIREAD LUCEY**  
**SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**Cc: Cllr. Nicholas Croassan AILG President, Cllr. Micheal Anglim Chairperson LAMA.**

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Mr. Paschal Donohoe, TD  
Government Buildings,  
Upper Merrion Street,  
Dublin 2,  
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12<sup>th</sup> December 2022

*Our Ref: FC/December1.Item16*

Dear Minister Donohoe,

At a recent meeting of Cork County Council, the Mayor and Members resolved as follows:-

*"That Cork County Council would write to the Government and the Minister for Finance to reintroduce an income tax credit scheme to incentivize and encourage many more Irish people to take out personal health insurance cover while also preserving the existing rebate of up to €200 at the point of purchase"*

I would be obliged if you would consider the above matter and let me have your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,

  
**MAIREAD LUCEY**  
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Ms. Heather Humphreys, TD  
Minister for Rural and Community Development,  
Trinity Point,  
10-11 South Leinster Street,  
Dublin 2,  
D02 EF85

12<sup>th</sup> December 2022

*Our Ref: FC/December1.Item13*

Dear Minister Humphries,

At a recent meeting of Cork County Council, the Mayor and Members resolved as follows:-

*“That Cork County Council would write formally to the Minister for Transport requesting that his Department (Department of Transport) would contribute financially to the LIS Scheme (Local Improvement Scheme). Presently, all funding comes from the Department of Community & Rural Development. The anomalies in the scheme in which there must be two active farmers on the scheme and people have to reapply. It was also agreed that a copy of this letter would be circulated to the Minister for Community & Rural Affairs”.*

I would be obliged if you would consider the above matter and let me have your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,

  
**MAIREAD LUCEY**  
**SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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**From:** Ciaran Murphy (Housing)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 14, 2022 12:53 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** Residential Zoned Land Tax

Hi Laura

This would be a matter for the Department of Finance

Regards Ciaran

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**From:** Ministers Office  
**Sent:** Monday, January 16, 2023 4:07 PM  
**To:** Customer Services  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]FIN-MO-05963-2022

Our Ref: FIN-MO-05963-2022

Ms Laura Flannery  
Meetings Administrator  
Limerick City & County Council  
[customerservices@limerick.ie]

Dear Ms Flannery

The Minister for Finance, Mr Michael McGrath TD, has asked me to reply to your letter of 13 December 2022, on behalf of Limerick City and County Council, concerning the Residential Zoned Land Tax.

The Residential Zoned Land Tax (RZLT) was introduced in Finance Act 2021. The purpose of this tax is to increase housing supply by encouraging the activation of development on lands which are suitably zoned and appropriately serviced. It aims to bring those lands which have benefitted from investment in services and are capable of being developed forward for housing. The tax is an action contained in Housing for All, the Government's plan for housing, to increase housing supply and is supported in the Programme for Government. The Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage published section 28 Guidelines for Planning Authorities on the Residential Zoned Land Tax on 29th June 2022, which provided guidance on identifying the land which is in scope for the tax.

In order to make landowners aware of the 1 January 2023 deadline for submissions to local authorities regarding the zoning status of their land, both the Department of Finance and the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage undertook a significant communications campaign. This included national newspaper advertisements in nationally distributed newspapers, print advertisements in national newspaper industry-focused supplements, statutory notices in local newspapers, print advertisements in local newspapers and local radio ads throughout the country. Comprehensive informational resources were also made available online on the [gov.ie/RZLT](http://gov.ie/RZLT) webpage, individual local authority websites and Revenue's Tax and Duty Manual published on [revenue.ie](http://revenue.ie) in July 2022.

A concerted, targeted digital website and social media campaign also took place providing links to the aforementioned RZLT informational [gov.ie](http://gov.ie) site, and further amplifying awareness of the Residential Zoned Land Tax deadline for submissions, which was on 1 January 2023.

It is not possible to extend the 1 January submission deadline as it is set out in legislation, however as provided for under the relevant legislation minor discretion to accept submissions after 1 January is available to local authorities in exceptional circumstances.

I trust that this explains the position on this occasion.

Yours sincerely,

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Alex Costello  
Private Secretary to the Minister for Finance



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14<sup>th</sup> October 2022

All Local Authorities

**Please quote my Ref 3(a) Item 6 NoM 5 Sept 22 KY on all correspondence**

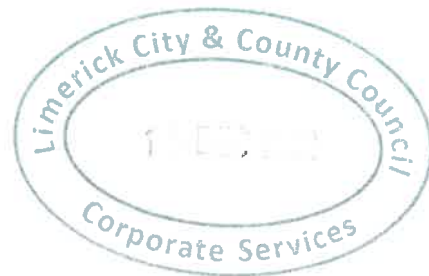
Dear Meetings Administrator

At a recent meeting of the Members of the Municipal District of Killarney, the following resolution was adopted by the Members:

*"That we Killarney MD write to the relevant Ministers requesting that when the Ukrainian Refugees return home, when it's safe to do so, that we would retain their current accommodation for the homeless and those on our Local Authority Housing List, where possible. If passed, I request this would be circulated to all other Local Authorities."*

Yours sincerely

**Pádraig Corkery**  
Meetings Administrator





# Comhairle Contae Mhuineacháin Monaghan County Council

Our Ref: December 2022/07

15 December 2022



Private Secretary to  
Mr. Stephen Donnelly,  
Minister for Health  
Department of Health  
Block 1, Miesian Plaza,  
50 – 58 Lower Baggot Street,  
Dublin, D02 XW14

A Chara,

At the December meeting of Monaghan County Council the members passed the following resolution and I was directed to forward same to you for attention.

*That this Council calls on the Minister for Health, Department of Health and the HSE to put in place proper, sensitive procedures to avoid any future retention of a baby's organs, at post-mortem, without the express permission of the parent, to request that:*

- *Clear, written communication on consent forms be discussed with families at the time of death/prior to post-mortem taking place*
- *Best practice models be examined from other countries to ensure the Irish system is fit-for-purpose & with proper oversight*
- *Communication of post-mortem results be respectful and delivered by meeting with assigned medical professional – clear definition of this process should immediately become standard procedure for all hospitals*
- *Post-mortem documentation should include a clear, concise and fully completed document for families*
- *In cases where organs need to be retained; reasons must be clearly explained and a swift timeframe for their return must be communicated to parents.*

*Monaghan County Council demand that an investigation take place into the cases outlined by Primetime (RTE) on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 and any other similar case that were not highlighted and that:*

- *Families who have had organs from their baby retained, be informed of what was taken and why, and what happened to the organs. These families should be afforded an in-person meeting to be given details.*
- *An independent inquiry takes place to determine why Consultant A was continuously used as a private pathologist after being found to be negligent in his former public-sector pathology role. This inquiry should also find reason as to why earlier recommendations, made by independent reviews, were not implemented.*
- *Clarification is needed on whether Consultant A is still conducting perinatal post-mortems.*

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Finance  
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Arts  
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Housing Loans/Grants  
047 30527

Leabharlann an Chontae  
County Library  
047 74700

Mótarcháin  
Motor Tax  
047 81175

Músaem an Chontae  
County Museum  
047 82928

Pleanáil  
Planning  
047 30532

Pobal  
Community  
047 73719

Rialú Dáiteáin/Foirgnimh  
Fire/Building Control  
047 30521

Oifig Fiontair Áitiúil  
Local Enterprise Office  
047 71818

Seirbhís Uisce  
Water Services  
047 30504/30571

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*Monaghan County Council also asks that in cases where Parental Consent is not requested (Coroner's post-mortem) that parents are still fully informed on organ retention and length of retention period.*

I would be grateful if you would bring the contents of this letter to the Minister's attention and let me have a reply for the Council members in due course.

Mise, le meas,



**Mary McGarvey**  
**Meetings Administrator**

c.c HSE  
c.c. All Local Authorities

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**FAO: Laura Flannery**

23<sup>rd</sup> December 2022

Dear Ms Flannery,

I refer to your correspondence dated 2nd December 2022 regarding a motion that was adopted by Councillors at the November 2022 meeting of Limerick City and County Council seeking “to have bus shelters constructed where there is a bus stop”.

There are in excess of 10,000 bus stops across the State with just over 2,000 of those stops currently having a bus shelter. Bus shelters are expensive to install and maintain – based on the required electrical arrangement, each new bus shelter can cost up to €25,000 (with wheelchair accessible stops sometimes costing much more), meaning that up to €200 million would be required to fulfil the objective of the motion. It is worth noting that we are not permitted under statutory regulation to light the bus shelter from the general public lighting system and, instead, each bus shelter has to be equipped with a separate individual electrical supply connection, adding to overall cost.

It is also the case that many bus stops locations are unsuitable for the installation of bus shelters due to underground services, width issues, sight line issues, access issues, negative impact on affected parties / adjacent premises, or similar other items.

Notwithstanding the above, the NTA fully acknowledges the importance of bus shelters and we do have a comprehensive programme for rolling out bus shelters on a prioritised basis.

We trust that the above information clarifies the position.

Yours sincerely,



Hugh Creegan,  
Deputy Chief Executive.

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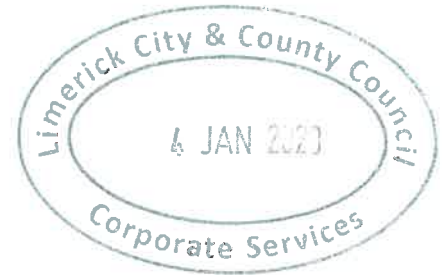


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January 3, 2023

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### **Re: Motion 10.2 - Council Meeting, December 2022**

Dear Minister,

At its December monthly meeting, members of Meath County Council adopted the following motion:

*“Meath County Council calls on the Government to amend the Electricity Regulation Act and associated legislation to allow for the consideration and possible implementation of nuclear power generation in Ireland.”*

I would appreciate if you could provide a response at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

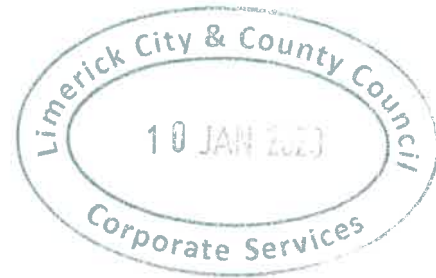
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10<sup>th</sup> January, 2023.

**Our Ref: January 23 - UM/AR/AC**

A Chara,

At the January meeting of the Council the members passed the following resolution:

“In light of the ongoing crisis at UHL, The Elected members of Clare County Council call on the HSE and the Minister for Health to immediately open Ennis, Nenagh, and St. John’s as full accident and emergency departments on a full time 24hour, 7 day week basis. We also call on all Oireachtas members in the mid-west region to support and work for same.”

It was agreed that this resolution would be circulated to your local authority for support.

Is mise le meas,

**Ann Reynolds,**  
**Senior Executive Officer,**  
**Corporate Services Department,**  
**Finance and Support Services Directorate.**

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9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

***Our Ref: FC/January1.AOB***

Dear Minister Ryan,

At a recent meeting of Cork County Council, the Mayor and Members resolved as follows:-

***“That Cork County Council call on the Minister for Transport to consider that Uber be allowed to operate in this country. Due to the lack of taxi availability leading to isolation for members of rural communities, Uber could be a welcome resolution.”***

I would be obliged if you would consider the above matter and let me have your response in due course.

Yours sincerely,

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**MAIREAD LUCEY**  
**SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

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