

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, DOORADOYLE, LIMERICK, AND ONLINE, ON MONDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2023, AT 3.00 P.M.**

**PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:**

Councillor G. Mitchell, Mayor.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors Benson, Butler, Carey, Collins (B), Collins (J), Collins (M), Collopy, Daly, Donegan, Egan, Foley, Galvin, Hartigan, Keary, Kiely, Kilcoyne, Leddin, McSweeney, Murphy, Novak Uí Chonchúir, O'Brien, O'Donoghue, O'Donovan, O'Hanlon, O'Sullivan, Pond, Ruddie, Ryan (E), Scanlan, Secas, Sheahan (J), Sheahan (K), Sheahan (M), Sheehan (C), Talukder, Teefy, Teskey.

An apology for his inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Ryan (M).

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Chief Executive (Dr. P. Daly), Deputy Chief Executive and Director, Support Services (Mr. S. Coughlan), Director, Housing (Ms. C. Curley), A/Director, Economic Development, Enterprise and Tourism (Mr. A. Dooley), Director, Regeneration, Sports and Recreation (Mr. J. Delaney), A/Director, Rural, Community and Culture Development (Mr. S. O'Connor), Director, Transportation and Mobility (Mr. B. Kennedy), A/Director, National and Regional Shared Services (Ms. S. Reidy), Director, Planning, Environment and Place-Making (Mr. V. Murray), Meetings Administrator (Ms. L. Flannery), Senior Staff Officer, Corporate Services and Governance (Ms. A. Foley).

**1. Adoption of Minutes**

Circulated, copies of draft Minutes of the following Meetings:

- (a) Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.
- (b) Special Meeting of the Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023, at 2.30 p.m.
- (c) Special Meeting of the Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023, at 3.30 p.m.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);  
Seconded by Councillor Sheahan (J);  
And Resolved:

“That, the draft Minutes, as circulated, be taken as read and adopted and signed.”

**2. Declaration of Interest**

The Meetings Administrator stated that, in line with Part 15 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended, and the Code of Conduct, she was inviting those present to notify the

Mayor of any declaration of interest in any item due for discussion at the Meeting. Councillor McSweeney made a declaration on one agenda item.

### **3. Disposal of Land**

- (a) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at Knockboheen, Kilcolman, Ardagh, Co. Limerick, together with 2 No. Land Registry Maps outlining the property.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at Knockboheen, Kilcolman, Ardagh, Co. Limerick, to Conor Daly, for the sum of €195.42, the disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 12<sup>th</sup> September, 2023."

- (b) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at 68, Hyde Road, Prospect, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 68, Hyde Road, Prospect, Limerick, to Rosanna Varriale, for the sum of €195.42, the disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023."

- (c) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at 24, Flood Street, Pennywell, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 24, Flood Street, Pennywell, Limerick, to Sean Walsh, for the sum of €239.45, the disposal to

be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.”

- (d) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at 28, Marian Park, Patrickswell, Co. Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 28, Marian Park, Patrickswell, Co. Limerick, to Patrick and Angela Kirby, for the sum of €195.42, the disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.”

- (e) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at 2, Crawford Street, Bruff, Co. Limerick, together with Land Registry Map outlining the property.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 2, Crawford Street, Bruff, Co. Limerick, to William Smith, for the sum of €195.42, the disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.”

- (f) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, concerning disposal of the freehold interest in property at 27, Hogan Avenue, Kileely, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 27, Hogan Avenue, Kileely, Limerick, to Ann McInerney, for the sum of €195.42, the disposal to be by way of Deed of Conveyance of the freehold interest of Limerick City and County

Council in the property, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 27<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.”

### **General Disposals**

- (g) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Monastery Road, Doon, Co. Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Monastery Road, Doon, Co. Limerick, to ESB Networks, for the sum of €1 - the ESB to discharge Limerick City and County Council’s legal costs up to €750 plus VAT - particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.”

- (h) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Market Place, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Market Place, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick, to ESB Networks, for the sum of €1 - the ESB to discharge Limerick City and County Council’s legal costs up to €750 plus VAT - particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.”

- (i) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Newtown Park, Castletroy, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

“That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land comprising 6m<sup>2</sup> at Newtown Park, Castletroy, Limerick, to ESB Networks, for the sum of €1 - the ESB to discharge Limerick City and County Council’s legal costs up to €750 plus VAT - particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023.”

- (j) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 193m<sup>2</sup> at Ballyanrahan West, Patrickswell (former well).

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land comprising 193m<sup>2</sup> at Ballyanrahan West, Patrickswell (former well), to Mr. John O'Donnell, for the sum of €1.00 - (i) the site to be returned to the landowner and (ii) Limerick City and County Council's right-of-wayleave, registered as Burden Number 5 of Part 111 of Folio LK11071, to be cancelled - particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (k) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 0.133 hectares (0.33 acres) at Barna, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land comprising 0.133 hectares (0.33 acres) at Barna, Newcastle West, Co. Limerick, to Mrs. Chris Sheehan, for the sum of €5,000, the disposal to be subject to the covenants and conditions contained therein, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (l) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land comprising 0.111 hectares (0.27 acres) at Ballyvareen, Kildimo, Co. Limerick.

It was noted that, owing to a typographical error, this Statutory Notice superseded Statutory Notice dated 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, applicable to the same property. Accordingly, the rescinding of the resolution passed by the Council at its Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, was also required.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land

comprising 0.111 hectares (0.27 acres) at Ballyvareen, Kildimo, Co. Limerick, to Mrs. Kathleen O'Shea, for the sum of €1, with Limerick City and County Council's legal fees to be discharged by Mrs. Kathleen O'Shea, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. This resolution rescinds previous resolution passed at Council Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, in accordance with Statutory Notice dated 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2023, applicable to the same property."

- (m) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of Parochial House, Feohanagh, Co. Limerick, in the form of a 99-year lease.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of the Parochial House, Feohanagh, Co. Limerick, in the form of a 99-year lease, to Feohanagh Castlemahon Resource Centre Company Limited by Guarantee, for the sum of €1, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the Lease, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (n) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land - Option in Perpetuity – 700 year lease over Arthur's Quay Car Park.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land - Option in Perpetuity – 700 year lease over Arthur's Quay Car Park, to T.C.E. Management CP Limited ("TCE") (CRO 527238), for the sum of €2,100,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (o) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of 1-4 Toll Cottages, Verdant Place, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of 1-4 Toll

Cottages, Verdant Place, Limerick, to Aengus and Rioghna D'Arcy, for the sum of €120,000, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (p) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at Knockfinisk, Carrigkerry, Co. Limerick, V94 KNE4 (0.21 hectares).

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at Knockfinisk, Carrigkerry, Co. Limerick, V94 KNE4 (0.21 hectares), to Mrs. Josephine Culhane, Mrs. Nora Fitzgerald, Mrs. Eileen Quinn, Mrs. Mary Dore, Representatives of the late Timothy Murphy, joint names as tenants in common, for the sum of €150,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained therein, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (q) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 93, St. Munchin's Street, St. Mary's Park, Limerick (Regeneration Exchange).

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 93, St. Munchin's Street, St. Mary's Park, Limerick, to Ms. Barbara Troy, in consideration of 180 St. Munchin's Street, St. Mary's Park, Limerick, subject to the covenants and conditions contained therein, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (r) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 27, Assumpta Park, Island Road, Limerick. (Regeneration Exchange)

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 27, Assumpta Park, Island Road, Limerick, to Ger and Geraldine Clancy, in consideration of Ger and Geraldine Clancy transferring the ownership of their property at 164, St. Munchins

Street, St. Mary's Park, to Limerick City and County Council – (i) the disposal to be by way of exchange of the above properties to Limerick City and County Council (subject to necessary conveyancing requirements); (ii) Limerick City and County Council to acquire the property free of any existing mortgage(s) or burden(s) and any existing mortgage(s) or burden(s) on the property of 164, St. Munchins Street, St. Mary's Park, to be transferred to the property at 27 Assumpta Park, Island Road, Limerick, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (s) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property comprising Unit 201, Cliona Park, Moyross, Limerick. (Regeneration Exchange)

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property comprising Unit 201 Cliona Park, Moyross, Limerick, to Kieran Kiely, in consideration of Kieran Kiely transferring the ownership of his property at 75, Cliona Park, Moyross, to Limerick City and County Council - (i) the disposal to be by way of exchange of the above properties to Limerick City and County Council (subject to necessary conveyancing requirements); (ii) Limerick City and County Council to acquire the property free of any existing mortgage(s) or burden(s) and any existing mortgage(s) or burden(s) on the property at 75 Cliona Park, Moyross, to be transferred to the property at Unit 201 Cliona Park, Moyross, Limerick, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (t) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land (0.365 acres) at Speakers Corner, Lower Carey's Road, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land (0.365 acres) at Speakers Corner, Lower Carey's Road, Limerick, to Tinwat Holdings Ltd (as nominee for Clúid Housing and Whitebox Limited), for the sum of €300,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (u) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land (13.89 acres) at Rosbrien, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land (13.89 acres) at Rosbrien, Limerick, to Munster Branch Irish Rugby Football Union, for the sum of €611,160, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (v) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land (0.35 hectares) at Towerfields, Croom, Co. Limerick (Site A: 0.0678 hectares; Site B: 0.2854 hectares).

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land (0.35 hectares) at Towerfields, Croom, Co. Limerick (Site A: 0.0678 hectares; Site B: 0.2854 hectares), to Croom Voluntary Housing Association Company Limited by Guarantee, for the sum of €127 per residential unit (16 units) – the development at Towerfields, Croom, involves the construction of 16 No. Elderly and Disability Units – particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (w) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property on Main Street, Bruff, Co. Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property on Main Street, Bruff, Co. Limerick, to Deirdre Conway, for the sum of €95,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (x) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of land (31.8 acres) at Ballygrennan, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of land (31.8 acres) at Ballygrennan, Limerick, to Tinwat Holdings Ltd (as nominee for Clúid Housing and Whitebox Limited), for the sum of €1,500,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract; the vendor to install services as part of the infrastructure development in the area and the purchaser to make a contribution towards the cost of those services, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

### **Derelict Disposals**

- (y) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 2, Ryan's Cottages, Rosbrien Road, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 2, Ryan's Cottages, Rosbrien Road, Limerick, to Conor O'Farrelly, for the sum of €120,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (z) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 7, O'Dwyer Villas, Thomondgate, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 7, O'Dwyer Villas, Thomondgate, Limerick, to Fionn McGrath and Aoife O'Connell, for the sum of €145,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (aa) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 53 Clare Street, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 53 Clare Street, Limerick, to Michael Kirwan, for the sum of €117,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

- (bb) Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, concerning disposal of property at 3, Kileely Villas, New Road, Thomondgate, Limerick.

Proposed by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 Seconded by Councillor Ryan (E);  
 And Resolved:

"That, 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), the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the disposal of property at 3, Kileely Villas, New Road, Thomondgate, Limerick, to Quest Retirement Solutions Ltd., as Trustee of the William Spratt ARF, a Referential Trust of QRS Unit Trust, c/o Quest Retirement Solutions Ltd., for the sum of €134,000, subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the contract, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

#### **4. Support Services**

##### **(a) Chief Executive's Report**

Circulated, Chief Executive's Report for the months of September and October 2023.

The Reports were noted by the Council.

##### **(b) Foreign Travel**

- (i) Circulated, report of the Director, Planning, Environment and Place-Making, dated 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, seeking the retrospective approval of the Council to foreign travel in respect of attendance by the Deputy Mayor of the City and County of Limerick at the Horizon 2020 +CityxChange Final Conference in Trondheim, Norway.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);  
 Seconded by Councillor O'Hanlon;  
 And Resolved:

“That, in accordance with Section 142 (5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended, the retrospective approval of the Council be and is hereby given to foreign travel in respect of attendance by the Deputy Mayor of the City and County of Limerick at the Horizon 2020 +CityxChange Final Conference in Trondheim, Norway.”

- (ii) Circulated, report of the Senior Executive Officer, Trade and Investment, Economic Development, Enterprise and Tourism Directorate, dated 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, seeking the retrospective approval of the Council to foreign travel in respect of attendance by the Deputy Mayor of the City and County of Limerick at the Forbes Under 30 Summit in Cleveland, Ohio, USA.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);  
 Seconded by Councillor O’Hanlon;  
 And Resolved:

“That, in accordance with Section 142 (5) of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended, the retrospective approval of the Council be and is hereby given to foreign travel in respect of attendance by the Deputy Mayor of the City and County of Limerick at the Forbes Under 30 Summit in Cleveland, Ohio, USA.”

**(c) Twinning**

**(i) Adare / Buckow (Germany) Twinning Project**

Circulated, report of the Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services, Governance and Customer Services, dated 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2023, setting out the background to a request for financial assistance from Adare Community Council towards a twinning initiative with Buckow, Germany.

The report stated that Adare Community Council had a twinning arrangement with Buckow in Germany and had hosted a delegation of 25 people from Buckow for the St. Patrick’s Day weekend, including their Brass Orchestra who took part in the parade and gave a concert on 18<sup>th</sup> March. The German Ambassador and his wife attended the parade. The Community Council also hosted five visitors from Vilecresnes in France. The total cost incurred by Adare Community Council for hosting the delegation was €1,252.49 and it was recommended that the Council fund 50% of this expenditure, which could be charged to the twinning code. Accordingly, the Council’s approval for the provision of financial assistance in the amount of €627.00 towards the cost of this twinning initiative was requested.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);  
 Seconded by Councillor Sheahan (J);  
 And Resolved:

“That, the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the provision of financial assistance in the sum of €627,00 to Adare Community Council, towards the cost of a twinning initiative with Buckow, Germany, in accordance with the provisions of Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended.”

**(ii) Newcastle West / Pelplin (Poland) Twinning Project**

Circulated, report of the Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Services, Governance and Customer Services dated 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2023, setting out the background to the request for financial assistance from Newcastle West Community Council towards a twinning initiative with Pelplin, Poland.

The report stated that Newcastle West Community Council had a twinning arrangement with Pelplin in Poland. A delegation had been due to travel to Newcastle West for the St. Patrick's Day festival in 2020 but the trip was cancelled due to COVID-19. The Community Council hosted a delegation from Pelplin, including a band and students from the primary school who travelled to Newcastle West to attend the Éigse Michael Hartnett Literary and Arts Festival in 2023. It was recommended that the Council fund a proportion of travel expenditure from Dublin to Newcastle West and this could be charged to the twinning code. Accordingly, the approval of the Council was sought to the provision of financial assistance in the sum of €1,000 towards the cost of the twinning initiative.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);  
Seconded by Councillor Sheahan (J);  
And Resolved:

"That, the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to the provision of financial assistance in the sum of €1,000 to Newcastle West Community Council, towards the cost of a twinning initiative with Pelplin, Poland, in accordance with the provisions of Section 66 of the Local Government Act, 2001, as amended."

**(d) Strategic Policy Committee Reports**

- (i) Circulated, report of the Chairperson of the Community, Leisure and Culture Strategic Policy Committee dated 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, in relation to meeting of the Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023.

The report was noted by the Council.

- (ii) Circulated, report of the Chairperson of the Economic Development, Enterprise and Planning Strategic Policy Committee in relation to meeting of the Committee held on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

The report was noted by the Council.

- (iii) Circulated, report of the Chairperson of the Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee dated 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, in relation to meeting of the Committee held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

The report was noted by the Council.

- (iv) Circulated, report of the Chairperson of the Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee dated 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2023, in relation to meeting of the Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

The report was noted by the Council.

- (v) Circulated, report of the Chairperson of the Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, in relation to meeting of the Committee held on 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

The report was noted by the Council.

## **5. Planning, Environment and Place-Making**

### **Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024-2030**

Circulated, report of the Director, Planning, Environment and Place-Making dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, enclosing a copy of the Chief Executive's Report dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, on the submissions received as part of the public consultation on the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024-2030.

In accordance with Section 177 of the Local Government Act, 2001 (as amended) Councillor McSweeney removed himself from the meeting for the duration of this discussion, declaring that land within the red line boundary is owned by a connected person.

With the permission of the Mayor and on the proposal of Councillor Sheahan (J), seconded by Councillor O'Hanlon, it was agreed to adjourn for 15 minutes.

On resumption, and following a discussion and consideration of the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024-2030 and the Chief Executives Report dated 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 on the submissions received during the public consultation on the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024-2030, it was proposed to make the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024 – 2030, subject to the Chief Executive recommendations, report dated the 10<sup>th</sup> of November subject to the following amendments:

Amendment proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Kiely.

**Motion 1:** I will move to amend Table 7.3 Active Travel Measures and Prioritise, Action AT1, Proposed Link Type/Active Mode Priority, to read "Cycle Infrastructure" instead of "Segregated Cycle Lane" and in line with the above amend objective SMT02 part B to read Support the provision of further cycle infrastructure through Patrickswell Village linking into the existing segregated cycle track along the R526 to Limerick City and link into proposed active travel infrastructure as part of the N/M20 Cork to Limerick Project, the Patrickswell to Charleville Greenway, and the Rathkeale to Limerick Greenway.

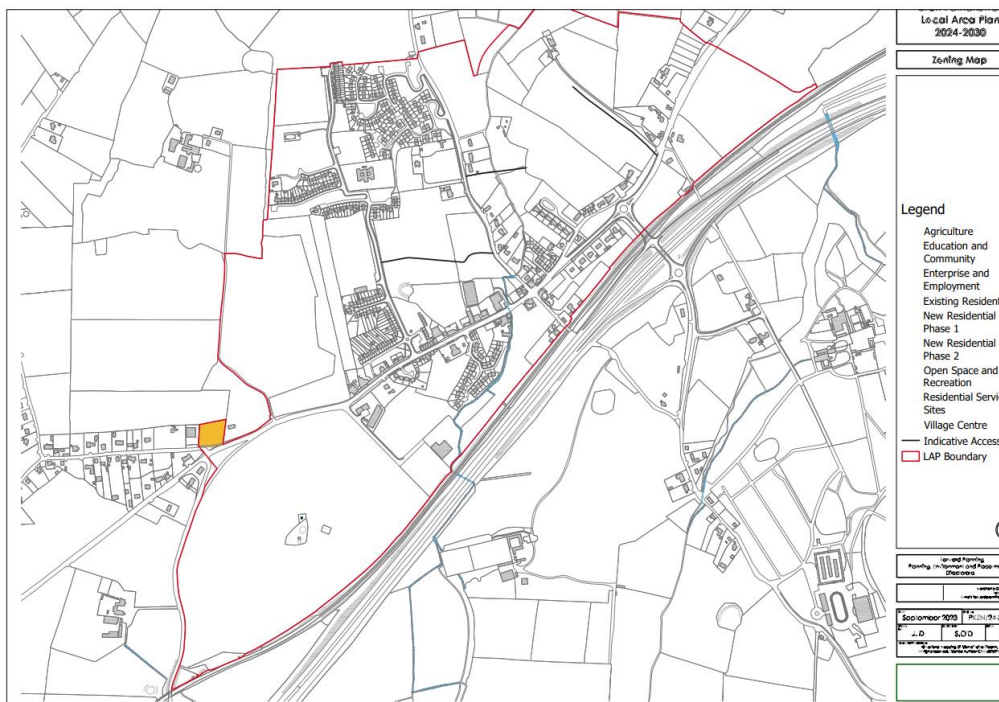
**Reason:** In the interest of road safety and to ensure the appropriate provision of cycle infrastructure, in line with the current active travel scheme.

The amendment proposed by Councillor Butler and seconded by Councillor Kiely was approved.

Amendment proposed by Councillor Talukder and seconded by Councillor O'Hanlon.

**Motion 2:** I will move at the next meeting that the Development Boundary of the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan be extended to incorporate lands (0.42 Hectares) as shown on the accompanying map at Ballyanrahan East, Patrickswell. Co. Limerick. The subject lands which are located within 600m of the village core, in a reduced speed zone and served by a public footpath and public lighting are to be zoned 'Residential Serviced Sites' and will accommodate 2 – 4 dwellings over the life of the plan

**Reason:** There are no 'new' lands identified in the Draft LAP for serviced sites in the village and where it is a policy objective of the Local Authority in the CDP that lands are to be made available in settlements to counter the proliferation of 'one off' houses. In addition, the existing 'serviced sites' lands to the east of the village (which benefits from a grant of permission) are located in close proximity to the motorway, remote from the village and without pedestrian infrastructure.



The amendment proposed by Councillor Talukder and seconded by Councillor O'Hanlon was approved.

### **Resolution**

Proposed by: Councillor J. Sheahan  
 Seconded by: Councillor K. O'Hanlon  
 And Resolved

"That having considered the Chief Executive's Report dated 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, on the submissions received as part of the public consultation on the Draft Patrickswell Local Area Plan 2024-2030, that Limerick City and County Council make the Draft Patrickswell Local

Area Plan 2024-2030 subject to the Chief Executive's Report dated the 10th of November, 2023, including the amendments outlined."

## **6. Rural, Community and Culture Development**

### **Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Scheme 2023**

Circulated, report of the Arts Officer dated 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, seeking the Council's approval to recommended allocations under the Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Scheme 2023.

Proposed by Councillor O'Sullivan;  
Seconded by Councillor Collins (M);  
And Resolved:

"That, the approval of the Council be and is hereby given to recommended allocations under the Strategic Fund for Arts and Culture Scheme 2023, as set out in the report of the Arts Officer dated 15<sup>th</sup> November, 2023."

## **7. Conferences**

### **(a) Participation by Members at Conferences**

Details of a Conference on "Salmon Watch Ireland," held in Castleconnell, Co. Limerick, on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, had been circulated electronically to the Members.

On the proposal of Councillor Sheahan (J), seconded by Councillor Collins (M), the Council approved the attendance of Councillor Hartigan at this Conference.

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

Circulated, reports by Members who had participated at Conference / Seminar / Meeting / Event.

The reports were noted by the Council.

## **QUESTIONS**

Replies to the following Questions on the agenda were circulated to all Members prior to the Meeting and the Questions were therefore considered as having been dealt with:

### **8. Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir**

I will ask at the next Meeting how many units have been retrofitted under the Energy Efficient Retrofit Programme (EERP) by Limerick City and County Council in 2022, and how many to date in 2023.

**REPLY:** The current Energy Efficient Retrofit Programme has been ongoing from 2022 through 2023. A total of 54 units have been completed as part of this 2022/2023 programme.

**9. Question submitted by Councillor S. Novak Uí Chonchúir**

I will ask at the next Meeting how many kilometres of Active Travel infrastructure have been completed to date since the establishment of Limerick Active Travel Team; how many kilometres have commenced the planning process, including the ones that have started with non-statutory consultation stage, broken down by Metropolitan and County areas.

**REPLY:**

- 9.0km (approx) of Active Travel infrastructure have been completed to date.
- 1.85km (approx) of Active Travel infrastructure is under construction.
- 9.8km (approx.) of Active Travel infrastructure have commenced the planning process under Part 8 and Section 38.
- 10.67km (approx.) of Active Travel infrastructure have commenced the non-statutory consultation stage in the Metropolitan Area, and
- 1km (approx.) of Active Travel infrastructure have commenced the non-statutory consultation stage in the County Areas.

In addition, there is 22Km (approx.) currently under design.

**10. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan**

I will ask at the next Meeting for a detailed breakdown of the proposed expenditure for Christmas in Limerick 2023, including the cost of hiring any external companies, and a breakdown of the Limerick Council sponsored events.

**REPLY:** The budget for Christmas in Limerick is €141,000.

The following Table A is a list of expenditure incurred by the Council for events for *Christmas in Limerick 2023*, using external companies:

TABLE A	
Firestorm by Rogu	5,300
Christmas in Limerick Aerial Extravaganza at King Johns Castle by Fidget Feet	34,790
Limerick on Ice by Futurama Productions	No cost to Limerick City & County Council
Christmas Circus by Fossetts	No cost to Limerick City & County Council

City Centre Seasonal Street Shows, Animation & Festival Village by Milestone	45,000
Arthurs Quay works by Maramba	7,829
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>92,919</b>

The following (Table B) is a list of expenditure including Council sponsord events for *Chirstmas in Limerick 2023*:

<b>TABLE B</b>	
<i>Christmas at the Milk Market</i>	<b>5,000</b>
<i>Limerick Opera Festival</i>	<b>8,000</b>
<i>Toots Christmas Train</i>	<b>5,000</b>
<i>Christmas Fashion Show</i>	<b>1,500</b>
<i>Nicholas Street Festive Fair</i>	<b>2,500</b>
<i>Three Tenors Concert</i>	<b>1,000</b>
<i>Music on the Streets</i>	<b>5,000</b>
<i>Boherbuoy Christmas Concert</i>	<b>1,000</b>
<i>The Hunt Museum International Christmas</i>	<b>2,500</b>
<i>Childrens Festive Workshops at UL City Centre Campus</i>	<b>1,175</b>
<i>Christmas Trees, O'Connell Street, William Street, Colbert Station</i>	<b>10,620</b>
<i>Lighting &amp; Photography</i>	<b>4,700</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>47,995</b>

<b>TOTAL TABLE A</b>	<b>92,919</b>
<b>TOTAL TABLE B</b>	<b>47,995</b>
<b>TOTAL SPEND</b>	<b>140,914</b>

#### **11. Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will ask at the next Meeting how many local authority homes were disposed of by this Council to Approved Housing Bodies in the past 3 years and how many of these properties are still vacant.

**REPLY:** The following units were disposed of by Section 183 Notice to Approved Housing Bodies and the status is as follows:

<b>Address</b>	<b>Date of Disposals by Council to Approved Housing Bodies</b>	<b>Approved Housing Body</b>	<b>Current status</b>
2/3 Mallow Street, Limerick	3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2020	Peter McVerry Trust	Onsite Projected substantial completion date May 2024

Kilmurray, Feenagh	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Focus Housing	Onsite practically completed, ESB connection pending Projected substantial completion date December 2023
69 Castlevue Estate, Newcastle West	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Focus Housing	Onsite Projected substantial completion date December 2023
6 Radharc na Feile, Abbeyfeale	14 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Focus Housing	Onsite practically completed, ESB connection pending Projected substantial completion date December 2023
1-10 Cois na Feile, Abbeyfeale	16 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Clúid	Section 179a planning application is estimated for January, 2024
112 Hyde Road, Ballinacurra Weston	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Enabling works at 112 Hyde Road and adjacent properties expected to commence December 2023 Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
86 Lenihan Avenue, Ballinacurra Weston	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
90 Lenihan Avenue, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024

88 Lenihan Avenue, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
85 Hyde Road, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
119 Shanabooly Road, Ballynanty, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
24, Ballyclough Ave, Ballinacurra Weston, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
12 Hyde Ave, Ballinacurra Weston, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024

46, Garryglass Ave, Ballinacurra Weston, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
18 Ballyclogh Ave, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
5 Hyde Villas, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries. New boundary to provide a privacy strip to commence onsite December 2023 Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
4 Hyde Villas, Prospect, Limerick	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2022	Focus Housing Association	Legal Process underway Limerick City and County Council have responded to all pre-contract enquiries New boundary to provide a privacy strip to commence onsite December 2023 Revised CALF funding Application to be submitted to the Department in November 2023 Projected substantial completion date July 2024
48 Bengal Terrace, Limerick	26th September 2022	Arlington Novas	Onsite Projected substantial completion date December 2023

## **NOTICES OF MOTION**

**12. Notice of Motion submitted by the Municipal District of Newcastle West - Councillors J. Sheahan (Proposer), M. Collins, F. Foley, L. Galvin, T. Ruddle, J. Scanlan**

**We will move at the next Meeting that this Council call on the Government to review GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) rules regarding housing and giving out information to us as Councillors/Directors of this Council.**

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Sheahan (J), seconded by Councillor Galvin, and adopted.

**REPLY:** This Motion was previously raised by an Elected Member and responded to at the meeting of the Municipal District of Newcastle West on 6<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.

The Council, including the Housing Directorate, are committed to meeting all relevant Data Protection, privacy and security requirements, whether originating from legal, regulatory or contractual obligations and is committed to protecting the rights and privacy of individuals in accordance with current Data Protection legislation.

Councillors and other elected public representatives are data controllers in their own right. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act, 2018, clearly set out the responsibility of the Council and Elected Representatives to manage personal data securely. Section 40 of the Data Protection Act, 2018, specifically refers to elected representatives making representations to organisations seeking personal data.

The Council, having regard to the significant requirements under the Data Protection legislation, has a dedicated Data Protection Officer and Data Protection Unit to ensure data governance protocols are embedded throughout the organisation and specifically within each Department of Limerick City and County Council.

The Motion submitted would require a change to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act, 2018, which took effect in May 2018.

Should this Notice of Motion be passed, we would recommend that we write to the Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, and that a copy of this Motion is forwarded to them.

Councillor Keary also proposed that an audit is carried out of all Notice of Motions adopted during meetings that took place in 2023 and the implementation of these Notice of Motions. This was seconded by Councillor Galvin and agreed.

**13. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor A. Teskey**

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council write to the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications, Mr. Eamon Ryan, TD, asking when the wind energy development guidelines will be revised and updated.

On the proposal of Councillor Teskey, seconded by Councillor O'Brien, the Motion was adopted.

It was also agreed to circulate the Motion to all Local Authorities for support.

**14. Notice of Motion submitted by the Municipal District of Newcastle West – Councillors T. Ruddle (Proposer), M. Collins, F. Foley, L. Galvin, J. Scanlan, J. Sheahan**

We will move at the next Meeting that this Council calls on Uisce Éireann to implement a notification system similar to the ESB when planned disruptions are taking place and that the Government do likewise.

On the proposal of Councillor Ruddle, seconded by Councillor Galvin, the Motion was adopted.

**15. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor L. Galvin**

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council call on the Government to consider implementing a grant for security lighting for the elderly living outside the towns and villages that are not publicly lit.

On the proposal of Councillor Galvin, seconded by Councillor Sheahan (J), the Motion was adopted.

**16. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan**

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council endorse the Amnesty International report entitled 'Israel's Apartheid Against Palestinians: A Cruel System of Domination and a Crime Against Humanity,' and support the Palestinian BDS Movement as a show of solidarity with the Palestinian people.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor O'Donovan and seconded by Councillor Talukder.

In proposing the Motion, Councillor O'Donovan highlighted the horrific events that are happening in Gaza, and asked the Council to support the Amnesty International Report.

**Suspension of Standing Orders 4:** The Mayor drew attention to the time, which was approaching 5.30 p.m., and on the proposal of Councillor Ryan (E), seconded by Councillor Butler, Standing Order 4 was suspended in order to complete the agenda.

### **17. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will move at the next Meeting that this Council urgently increase emergency accommodation capacity in both the city and county, particularly to cater for the shortage of bed spaces for single men and women.

The Motion was proposed by Councillor Benson and seconded by Councillor Collopy.

**REPLY:** Limerick City and County Council has increased beds in emergency accommodation in Limerick this winter. In September 2023, the Council had capacity for 137 singles. As of 23<sup>rd</sup> November, there is capacity for 159 individuals. If a cold or extreme weather warning is called, the Council will be in a position to provide further additional spaces as necessary.

The Street Outreach Team has increased its hours and capacity also to engage with any customers who may be sleeping rough and supporting them to access beds, addition and mental health supports. The Homeless Unit is continually working with service providers to bring beds into use for customers who are presenting to HAT seeking a service and who are deemed as homeless in accordance with Section 2 of the Housing Act, 1988.

In addition to emergency bed provision, Limerick City and County Council will allocate a further six Housing First units to customers before Christmas therefore creating not only long-term tenancies, but also creating vacancies in hostels.

To note: 83 individuals have moved on from emergency accommodation this year from January to September, with a number of additional moves planned before the year-end.

### **18. Correspondence**

The Correspondence circulated with the agenda was taken as read.

### **Local Authority of the Year**

The Mayor referred to the fantastic achievement of Limerick City and County Council being named Local Authority of the Year, at the twentieth annual Chambers Ireland Excellence in Local Government Awards. He thanked the Members, Executive and all the staff of Limerick City and County Council for collectively working together to serve the people of Limerick with excellence and noted that this collaboration is the reason we were successful in this national competition.

Members acknowledged this prestigious national award, thanked the Executive and staff for all their hard work over the years, and looked forward to continuing to achieve more for the people of Limerick.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S ORDERS:**

The Register of Orders made by the Chief Executive up to the date of the Meeting was available on SharePoint for inspection by the Members.

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT:**

The Register of Decisions on Applications under the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, was also available on SharePoint for inspection by the Members.

**Signed:**

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**Mayor****Date:**

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