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11<sup>th</sup> September, 2024.

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

A Chomhairleoir, a chara,

You are requested to attend a Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick to be held on **Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 at 9.45am** in the **Council Chamber, Merchant's Quay, Limerick** and **Online via Microsoft Teams**.

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

Is mise le meas,

**Mark Leahy,**  
**Meetings Administrator.**

## **A G E N D A**

### **1. Minutes**

To adopt Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick held on 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.

(Copy Enclosed).

### **2. Declaration of Interest.**

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

To note proposal for the disposal of land as follows :

- (a) Disposal of Freehold Interest of premises consisting of a dwelling house situate at Knockatanna, Caherconlish, Co. Limerick.
- (b) Disposal of Freehold Interest of premises consisting of a dwelling house situate at 6 Sarsfield Avenue, Garryowen, Limerick.

#### **General Disposals (Sub-Leases)**

- (c) Proposal Disposal, by way of sub-lease, of 4<sup>th</sup> Floor Crescent House, Hartstonge Street, Limerick.
- (d) Proposed Disposal, by way of sub-lease, of 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Crescent House, Hartstonge Street, Limerick.

#### **Derelict Disposals**

- (e) Proposed Disposal of Property at 'Shines' 4a Lower Gerald Griffin Street, Limerick.
- (f) Proposed Disposal of Property at Ballyclough Avenue, Castletroy, Limerick.
- (g) Proposed Disposal of Property at 19 Clare Street, Limerick.

(Reports Enclosed).

### **4. Transportation and Mobility Directorate**

#### **Draft Limerick City and County Council Metropolitan District of Limerick Control of Car Clubs Bye-Laws 2024**

To adopt the Draft Limerick City and County Council Metropolitan District of Limerick Control of Car Clubs Bye-Laws 2024 in accordance with Part 19 of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended).

(Report Enclosed).

### **QUESTIONS**

#### **5. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if a survey has been done, or if not, has the Council plans for same to be carried out, on the right hand side of Childers Road between Castletroy View and The Parkway, as there is a footpath left unfinished that needs to be connected to the footpath out to The Parkway Retail Park.

#### **6. Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many houses have been purchased in the Metropolitan District area to enable tenants remain in situ under the Government Scheme since it was launched, and how many are projected for purchase in 2024.

**7. Question submitted by Councillor J. Leddin**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many grants have been issued to successful applicants under the Vacant Homes Scheme in the Metropolitan District area since the scheme was launched.

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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District for an update on the junction tightening at Quinlan Street/Barrington Street, if this still will include a pedestrian crossing at the Crescent and when will this work be complete.

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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a breakdown, by each Electoral Area in the Metropolitan District, the number of housing accommodation delivered by the Capital Assistance Scheme in the last 5 years.

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

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if Limerick City and County Council has any plans for double yellow lines to be installed along Huntsfield Drive in Huntsfield Estate, Dooradoyle to stop the excessive parking on footpaths along this main entrance to the estate.

**11. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick a) for an update on the proposed improvement works for the existing playground in Castleconnell and b) when the contractor will be appointed for the expansion of this playground.

**12. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when the contractor will be appointed for the Columbarium Wall Garden for Kilmurry Graveyard.

**13. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what funding is already in place for a dog park in Castletroy Park and what additional funding is required to proceed and deliver this project.

**14. Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what progress has been made on the taking in charge of the road at the back of Dochas building on Parnell Street.

**15. Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what stage is the planning enforcement investigation at Colbert Station and when is it due to conclude.

**16. Question submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, that, having regard to road safety concerns from the local school community, what inspections / investigative measures and actions have the Planning Enforcement Team and Roads Department carried out in relation to the Castletroy Greenway at the Cairn Homes site near Gaelscoil Chaladh an Treoigh, and Castletroy Shopping Centre.

**17. Question submitted by Councillor S. Hickey-O'Mara**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the proposed bus shelter at the intersection of the Old Cratloe Road and Walnut Drive, Caherdavin Heights.

**18. Question submitted by Councillor S. Hickey-O'Mara**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a full breakdown of:

- The number of dogs destroyed at Limerick Dog Shelter over the past five years.
- How much income has been accrued as a result of surrendering fees at Limerick Dog Shelter.
- How much income has been accrued as a result of rehoming fees at Limerick Dog Shelter.

**19. Question submitted by Councillor S. Hickey-O'Mara**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if Active Travel intend to install a bike lane on the Condell Road between the Coonagh and Clonmacken Roundabouts to provide safe access for cyclists.

**20. Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what plans the Council have, to repair damaged paving in Bedford Row and if they could give a timeframe for works.

**21. Question submitted by Councillor S. Benson**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick, what emergency measures have Limerick City and County Council put in place to address the shortage of emergency accommodation beds, as we approach the winter months.

**22. Question submitted by Councillor U. Gavan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many vacant social housing units are there in the Metropolitan District. What is the average turnaround time to bring these back into use and the average cost per house.

**23. Question submitted by Councillor U. Gavan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick how many businesses are in compliance and arrears with rates in the Metropolitan District. How many pay nothing and what additional steps are being taken to improve rate take up.

**24. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if a strategic plan or city-wide mapped overview is in place for all SHIP, HAP, AHB and CAS social housing particularly with a focus on ensuring that the government's 'Mixed Tenure Communities' policy is upheld, thus ensuring good management by AHBs of their tenants and to support sustainable communities across Limerick City.

**25. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what the projected Per Cent for Art budget currently is that can be generated from all capital projects underway or planned across all departments and sections in the Council.

**26. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what steps have been taken by the new Night Time Economy Officer to engage with traders and businesses to develop new partnerships to encourage initiatives that will generate an economic impact for Limerick City from Samhain Festival, Lighting Up Limerick for Christmas, St Brigid's Day, St Patrick's Day, and what offerings are in place for these festivals.

**27. Question submitted by Councillor F. Kilcoyne**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick can an update be provided about large and small road edge suction vehicles that were supposed to be purchased by LCCC for use in Limerick City West area to clean housing estate, cycle lane and footpaths etc.

**28. Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what engagement the Council has had with Waterways Ireland around their commitment to lodge a planning application for a maintenance plan for the Park Canal despite having committed to lodging said application by Q4 of 2023.

**29. Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Limerick City Transport Plan with reference to the approaches to the city from Pa Healy Road and the Corbally Road and the timeline for implementation.

**30. Question submitted by Councillor C. Sheehan**

I will ask at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Council acquiring a stake in the Markets Field Stadium.

**NOTICES OF MOTION**

**31. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor P. Doyle**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that traffic wardens would visit Milford Grange, Elm Park and Hazelwood on a weekly basis during the academic year and ticket any cars parked on double yellow lines with special focus on Avignon roads and the entrance to the adjacent Hazelwood Estate, Milford Road, Castletroy.

**32. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor P. Doyle (to be referred to the Travel and Transportation Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that free parking for one hour be allowed for cars on street parking currently designated as loading bays from 14.00 PM to 18.00 PM Monday to Friday on a trial basis for three months. The objective of this measure is to encourage shoppers into Limerick City and increase footfall in William Street and Cruises Street and surrounding areas. The only cost to this measure is amending signage on the poles with appropriate stickers.

**33. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Slattery**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council engage with the Northstar Family Support Project and provide them with a permanent premises for their vital service.

**34. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Slattery**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that no large development of apartments or houses be allowed be bought up by Vulture Funds so as to allow first time buyers a chance to purchase.

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

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that a Community Liaison committee be established with immediate effect for the Mungret/Raheen/Dooradoyle area as stipulated in the planning conditions in respect to Irish Cement.

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

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the choice based letting scheme be extended to the Metropolitan area.

**37. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council write to Jim Meade, CEO of Irish Rail, to formally request that the CIE Sports & Social Club Building and Site on Carey's Road, Limerick be considered for "meanwhile use" pending a final decision and action in relation to the redevelopment of this site.

**38. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Kiely**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this local authority take action to clean up the canopy, steel structure (former tourist office) and area around Arthurs Quay.

**39. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Benson (to be referred to the Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council establish a working group to further progress the work and recommendations of the Autism Friendly Limerick group, but specifically in the area of housing. It is envisaged that this group will work with stakeholders including the disability network providers, HSE, and advocacy groups to explore how LCCC can better address the housing needs of people with ASD and neurodivergence.

**40. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Benson (to be referred to the Climate Action, Biodiversity and Environment Strategic Policy Committee)**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council undertake a cost benefit analysis of providing the bin waiver scheme by the local authority, rather than using a private contractor.

**41. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor U. Gavan**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council lead the way to Limerick becoming a Living Wage City by ensuring all staff in its employ earning a living wage, and factor that policy into all its contracts it undertakes.

**42. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue**

I will move at the next Meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council writes to the National Transport Authority (NTA) and any other relevant state authority, to seek funding support to provide free buses for all passengers on key routes into Limerick City at weekends, so as to increase footfall and business activity in the City Centre.

**43. Correspondence**

(Copy of Correspondence Enclosed).