

TO: THE CATHAOIRLEACH AND EACH MEMBER OF THE HOME AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE

A meeting of Limerick City and County Council Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Dooradoyle and online on MS Teams on 9th October 2025 at 3pm – 5pm.

AGENDA

1. Confirm Minutes of the most recent meeting held on the 26th June 2025.
2. Matters arising from the minutes.
3. Presentation – Safe Home Ireland
4. Update on Second Hand Acquisition funding.
5. **Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors S. Kiely and D. McSweeney (to be referred to the Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee)**

We will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that we examine the rollout of a Home Improvement Grant Scheme for Social Housing Tenants of Limerick City and County Council in advance of Budget 2026.

6. Presentation – Proposed Home Improvement Scheme.
7. **Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Beasley (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 Limerick City and County Council remove the 2-year waiting time for getting on the housing transfer list for those in exceptional circumstances or where the circumstances of the family have taken a drastic change.

8. **Notice of Motion submitted by Councillors J. Pond and C. Slattery**

We will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that should a downsizing property becomes available that the property is used for downsizing again and not put back into the social housing stock.

9. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Hickey-O'Mara (to be referred to Home and Social Development Strategic Policy Committee)

I will move at the next Meeting of Limerick City and County Council that this Council formally declares a Student Housing Emergency in Limerick and commits to convening a Student Housing Taskforce in partnership with local Students' Unions, local third-level institutions, approved housing bodies, and relevant Council departments, with the aim of: (i) Acknowledging the acute shortage of affordable and suitable accommodation for students attending third-level institutions in Limerick; (ii) Identifying Council-owned or privately owned land suitable for student housing; (iii) Exploring opportunities for cost-rental, or cooperative models of development; (iv) Removing planning or zoning barriers where appropriate for the construction of student housing.

10. Introduction of Charges for Homeless Private Emergency Accommodation Services

Signed: Cllr. Stephen Keary, Chairperson, Limerick City and County Council