



14th January 2026

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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, 19th January 2026 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,

Aedín Foley,
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 15th December 2025.

(Copy Enclosed).

2. Declaration of Interest

3. Limerick City Centre

- (a) Follow up on Christmas in Limerick
- (b) Vacant Business Premises Rates Incentive Scheme 2026

4. Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property & Corporate Buildings Directorate

To consider the Director General's Report under Section 238(3)(c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, recommending the Licences for the Limerick St. Patrick's Day Parade 2026 and International Band Championship 2026 events to be held.

(Report Enclosed).

QUESTIONS

5. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on progress on the Columbarium walls at Kilmurry Cemetery.

6. Question submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on when a public toilet will be installed at Castletroy Park and Clare Street Park.

7. Question submitted by Councillor P. Doyle

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will the Dog Park at the Castletroy Park be open for use by dog owners.

8. Question submitted by Councillor P. Doyle

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will the Pocket Park at the junction of Parnell Street and Sexton Street be open for use by local residents and visitor to Limerick City.

9. Question submitted by Councillor P. Doyle

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick when will the dangerous building on Thomas Street beside Crew Brewing be fully repaired as for some time the footpath is blocked off, and the building is an eyesore.

10. Question submitted by Councillor S. Beasley

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick:

- a) How many fines were issued for dog fouling in the Metropolitan District during 2025 to date.
- b) How many complaints or reports of dog fouling were received by the Council in the Metropolitan District during 2025 to date.
- c) What is the ratio of complaints received to fines issued.
- d) What measures are currently in place in the Metropolitan District to prevent dog fouling, including the provision of dog waste bins and signage.

11. Question submitted by Councillor S. Beasley

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick:

- a) What specific actions has the Council taken to promote the Ask for Angela initiative amongst the business community in the Metropolitan District.
- b) How many hospitality venues (pubs, clubs, restaurants, cafes, hotels) in the Metropolitan District have signed up to participate in the campaign to date.
- c) What training or awareness materials have been provided to businesses to support the implementation of the scheme.
- d) Has the Council partnered with An Garda Siochana, the Vintners Federation of Ireland, or other stakeholders to coordinate the rollout of this campaign.
- e) What promotional activities have been undertaken (social media, local press, public posters, community events, information sessions) to educate the public about how Ask for Angela works.
- f) What is the timeline for full implementation of this campaign across all appropriate venues in the Metropolitan District.

12. Question submitted by Councillor S. Beasley

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick:

- a) How many children have been born to families residing in homeless services (including emergency accommodation, hostels and temporary accommodation) in the Limerick City and County Council area during each of the last five years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025).
- b) Of these births, how many families remained in homeless services for:
 - More than 6 months after the birth
 - More than 12 months after the birth

- c) What specific supports are provided to expectant mothers and newborns living in homeless accommodation.
- d) How many of these families have since been housed in permanent accommodation.

13. Question submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a breakdown of the costs associated with the following two events:

- Samhain Parade, Fire and Shadows 2025
- Home of Halloween Initiative in Limerick 2025

14. Question submitted by Councillor U. Gavan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the route for the Greenway path from UL to Castleconnell/Montpellier.

15. Question submitted by Councillor U. Gavan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if Limerick City & County Council will be implementing inline bus stops which allow buses to collect passengers without having to pull in off the road on routes throughout Limerick City to aid traffic congestion.

16. Question submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a full list of undeveloped residential zoned land parcels owned by Limerick City and County Council in Limerick City West and the year they were acquired by this Authority.

17. Question submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the total additional expenditure in addition to the original contract sum and a full breakdown of such costs for each of the following Active Travel Schemes:

- R510 Quinn's Cross to Raheen Roundabout Scheme
- Fr. Russell Road Scheme
- Mill Road

18. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick whether traffic calming measures are planned for Wolfe Tone Street and Lord Edward Street and to identify what those measures are and the associated timeframe for implementation.

19. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick what measures are in place to compel the owners of private property where vegetation is significantly overgrown and facing onto public spaces (footpaths, roads, amenity areas) to cut back and appropriately maintain these spaces to improve presentation and reduce opportunities for litter gathering, illegal dumping, drug-taking and other anti-social behaviour.

20. Question submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick if there are any plans to upgrade/repair the footpaths on both sides of O'Connell Street from Hartstonge Street to Cecil Street and the associated timeframe for implementation.

21. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the total expenditure in 2025 on hotel emergency accommodation in the Limerick Metropolitan Area and how many families and individuals availed of same.

22. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the current tenancy and occupants in Garden International considering the departure of Nordic Aviation.

23. Question submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the water quality in Corbally Baths and the City Centre and if the plan is continuing for public bathing facilities at these sites.

24. Question submitted by Councillor D. McSweeney

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Clarina/Ballybrown Public Realm Enhancement Plan.

25. Question submitted by Councillor Hickey O'Mara

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District for an update on the findings of the sustainability audit carried out on Riverfest 2025, for consideration in advance of Riverfest 2026.

26. Question submitted by Councillor Hickey O'Mara

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District for a full breakdown in tabular form of:

- The number of dogs destroyed each month at Limerick Dog Shelter in 2024.
- The number of dogs destroyed each month at Limerick Dog Shelter in 2025.
- How much income was accrued by Limerick Dog Shelter through surrendering, rehoming and reclaiming fees in 2024.
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27. Question submitted by Councillor O. O'Sullivan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for the date of the agreed workshop to receive a full breakdown of costs of the Flavours of Limerick festival.

28. Question submitted by Councillor O. O'Sullivan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for an update on the Food Hub for the market area of Limerick City under the Citizen Collaboration Program within the 'Liveable Limerick City' URDF funding in 2021.

29. Question submitted by Councillor O. O'Sullivan

I will ask at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for a pipeline of all new, planned, and current multi-unit residential development in Limerick City North with timelines.

NOTICES OF MOTION

30. 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 explain why the graveyard gates were not open Christmas Day at Mount St. Oliver Cemetery and what measures they are taking to prevent this happening again.

31. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor P. Doyle

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that a car park space be designated for Click and Collect (30 minutes free parking for shoppers) on both William Street and O'Connell Avenue (across from St. Josephs Church) to support local retailers.

32. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Beasley

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council:

- a) Request the installation of dog waste bag dispersers and dedicated dog waste bins at key locations throughout the Metropolitan District, with priority given to:
 - All existing and planned dog parks
 - Park entrances and popular walking routes
- b) Adopt a phased rollout approach, beginning with a 12-month pilot, at 10-15 high-priority locations, with priority given to the below, with regular monitoring and evaluation:
 - O'Brien Park
 - Caherdavin Dog Park
 - Mayorstone Dog Park
 - Castletroy Park Dog Park
 - Plassey Riverwalk/Canal Bank
- c) Public usage data and costs after the pilot period to inform future expansion across the Metropolitan District.

33. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor S. Beasley

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council call on the HSE, An Garda Siochana, and relevant homeless service providers to strengthen inter-agency cooperation and implement measurable protocols to combat drug and alcohol misuse in homeless accommodation facilities in Limerick.

34. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. Secas

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that the necessary procedures for taking in charge the Curragh Birin road section linking the public Groody Road to the Curragh Birin housing estate which is already taken in charge, are started promptly for safety reasons, and given that it has been maintained by this local authority for the past couple of years.

35. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor C. Slattery

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick Council explain why they did not draw down the full allocation from Government for the Tenant in Situ Scheme for 2025.

36. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor U. Gavan

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that Limerick City and County Council work with the Department of Transport to call for additional services on Castleconnell rail line, improving connectivity to the city.

37. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue (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 a special committee is setup for the purposes of reviewing and recommending a new approach to the Housing Strategy and Housing Needs Demand Assessment that is people-centred and focused on developing and supporting sustainable communities in the context of the impending review of the current Limerick Development Plan.

38. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor M. Donoghue

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council considers establishing a framework setting out Voids Refurbishment Classifications that identify the various levels of works required to bring each house back into use and a related value, e.g.:

- Light touch works to the value of €10,000
- Replace windows/doors/bathrooms to the value of €15,000
- Invasive works to the value of €25,000
- Extension or significant internal remodelling to the value of €50,000

39. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick for salt to be placed on footpaths surrounding University Hospital Limerick, St. Camillus' Hospital, University Maternity Hospital Limerick and all primary care centres within the Metropolitan Area with high pedestrian foot traffic.

40. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor E. O'Donovan

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that this Council write to the Department of Housing to request an immediate update on the allocation for the 2026 Tenant in Situ Scheme and when this will be released to the Metropolitan District.

41. Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Hickey O'Mara

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that we agree to tackle speeding and the lack of pedestrian and cyclist safety along Castle Street between the junction of Thomond Bridge and Verdant Place and the roundabout. I propose the following actions:

- A speed survey is carried out at Castle Street/Thomond Bridge
- Improved speed limit signage is put in place to remind motorists of the reduced speed limit including a radar speed sign.
- That a controlled crossing is constructed at the junction of Thomond Bridge and Verdant Place

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

I will move at the next meeting of the Metropolitan District of Limerick that a Metropolitan Sub-Committee be formed under the new Community Safety Partnership, to facilitate structured regular discussion on city policing matters for all Metropolitan elected members.

43. Correspondence