

**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS AT SPECIAL MEETING OF LIMERICK CITY AND COUNTY COUNCIL HELD ONLINE, ON MONDAY, 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025, AT 3.00 P.M.**

**PRESENT IN THE CHAIR:**

Príomh Chomhairleoir, Councillor C. Slattery.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors Benson, Butler, Carey, Collins (B), Collins (M), Conway, Donoghue, Doyle, Foley, Gavan, Hartigan (S), Hartigan (T), Hickey-O'Mara, Keary, Kiely, Kilcoyne, Leddin, McSweeney, O'Donoghue, O'Donovan, O'Hanlon, O'Sullivan (O), O'Sullivan (T), Pond, Reale, Ruddle, Ryan (M), Scanlan, Secas, Sheahan, Stokes, Talukder, Teefy, Teskey, Ward.

**OFFICIALS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Director General (Dr. P. Daly), Deputy Director General and Director, Corporate Services, Human Resources and Organisational Development (Mr. J. Delaney), Director, Finance, Investment and Governance incl. DACs and Shareholder Unit (Mr. M. White), Director, Housing (Mr. V. Murray), Director, Planning and Ryder Cup (Mr. S. Duclot), Director, Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property and Corporate Buildings (Mr. S. Lenihan), Meetings Administrator (Ms. C. Farrell), Administrative Officer, Corporate and Customer Services (Ms. A. Foley), Senior Executive Officer, Metropolitan District Parks and Cleansing (Ms. S. Reidy), A/Senior Executive Officer, Office of the Príomh Chomhairleoir and Municipal Districts (Ms. K. White), Administrative Officer, Property Management (Ms. T. Knox), Staff Officer, Corporate and Customer Services (Ms. J. Tierney).

**1. Disposal of Land**

**Economic, Tourism, Culture, Property and Corporate Buildings Directorate**

Circulated, copy of Statutory Notice dated 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, concerning Lease 650 Year - Parcel 5, Opera Square, Limerick and Licence 650 Year – covering exclusive use of portion of underground car parking area, together with maps.

The Director of Service, Housing stated that the approval of the Section 183 will move forward the development of the 14 storey office building, which will accommodate 1000 staff. The disposal of the car parking spaces will bring in significant funding of €6 million.

Members thanked the Officials for their work on the Opera Development. They raised the issue of DAC Board Membership and emphasised the importance of having Elected Members on the Boards referencing the Code of Corporate Governance for Local Authorities.

The Director General confirmed that a dedicated DAC and shareholder unit had been created to manage oversight of the associated companies.

Proposed by Councillor Collins (M);

Seconded by Councillor O'Donovan;

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 as follows - Lease 650 year - Parcel 5, Opera Square, Limerick ((Ground Floor 1,346 m<sup>2</sup> approximately and Basement 1,936 m<sup>2</sup> approximately) including airspace above in accordance with the maps attached for identification purposes); Licence 650 year – covering exclusive use of portion of underground car parking area, to the Office of Public Works – the consideration being - Lease: €1,167,835 plus Development Costs accrued at date of legal transfer; Licence: €6,000,000 one-off charge, the disposal to be subject to the covenants and conditions contained within the Contract – the Members, in resolving the above disposals, also resolve to revoke the previous Section 183 Resolution approved by the Members at Meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2025, in so far as it relates to the lands we are now seeking consent for as set out above, particulars of which were contained in Statutory Notice dated 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.”

This concluded the meeting.

**Signed:**

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**Príomh Chomhairleoir**

**Date:**

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