

COMHAIRLE CHONTAE DHUN NA nGALL

Oifig Riarthóir na
gCruinnithe
Aras an Chontae
LEIFEAR
19 Samhain, 2019

FOGRA CRUINNITHE

Beidh Cruinniú Comhairle Chontae Dhún na nGall ar siúl Dé Luain , 25 Samhain 2019, ag
11.00 r.n. in Áras an Chontae, Leifear

DO GACH BHALL DEN CHOMHAIRLE

A Chara

Iarrtar ort a bheith i láthair ag an chruinniú seo den Chomhairle. Ta Clár an chruinnithe leis seo.

Beidh Clár Orduithe an Phríomh-Fheidhmeannaigh le feiceáil ag an gcruinniú.

Mise, le meas

**Seosamh O’Piobla
Riarthóir Cruinnithe**

DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

Office of Meetings Administrator
County House
Lifford
19th November 2019

NOTICE OF MEETING

A Meeting of Donegal County Council will be held on Monday 25th November 2019, at
11.00am in the County House, Lifford.

TO EACH MEMBER OF DONEGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend this meeting of the Council. The Agenda is attached.

The Register of Chief Executive’s Orders will be available for inspection at the meeting.

Yours sincerely



**Joe Peoples
Meetings Administrator**

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of Minutes

Confirmation of the Minutes of the September Meeting of Donegal County Council held on the 30th September, 2019.

2. Filling of Casual Vacancy in the membership of the Council

- a) Filling of casual vacancy occasioned by the death of Cllr Manus Kelly.
- b) Filling of consequential vacancies arising from a) above:-

- Letterkenny-Milford Municipal District Committee.
- Donegal County Council Value for Money Committee.
- Donegal County Council Health Committee.
- Donegal County Council Cultural Committee.
- Donegal County Enterprise Fund.
- Colmcille Heritage Trust.

3. Disposal of Land – Section 211 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000

- a) Notice under Section 211 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and under Section 183 of the Local Government Act 2001 – to lease property in the Buncrana Civic Offices to Donegal Digital Innovation Company Ltd.

4. Taking of decision pursuant to the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (Part XI), and the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 Part 8

To approve the carrying out of works with regard to the proposed development of a playground in Killea in the townland of Altaghaderry in the Inishowen Municipal District.

5. Finance

- a) To consider the Three Year Capital Programme for Donegal County Council for the period 2020 – 2022 inclusive.
- b) To agree Overdraft Accommodation of Five Million Euro (€5,000,000) for full year ending 31st December 2020.

6. Corporate

- a) To approve the Schedule of Council Meetings for 2020.
- b) Preparation of Corporate Plan 2019-2024.

7. Community and Enterprise

To note the nomination of Mr Jerry Early, Comhar na nOileán to fill the vacancy on the Donegal Local Community Development Committee.

8. Endorsement of Minutes

- a) To note minutes of the meeting of the Corporate Policy Group held on the 23rd September, 2019.
- b) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 12th April, 2018.

- c) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 5th July, 2018.
- d) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 4th October, 2018.
- e) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 7th February, 2019.
- f) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 2nd May, 2019.
- g) To note minutes of the meeting of the County Donegal Heritage Forum held on the 4th July, 2019.

9. Attendance at Conference, Seminar or Event

Authorisation of representation at a seminar, meeting or event under Section 142 (5) of Local Government Act, 2001, S.I. No. 668 of 2006, Local Government (Expenses or Local Authority Members) Regulations 2006, S.I. No. 37 of 2010, Guidelines given by the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in relation to the Local Government Act, 2001 (Section 142) Regulations 2010, and the Local Government (Expenses of Local Authority Members) Regulations, 2014.

Conferences

- Celtic Conferences – “First- time Home Buyers Incentives Conference” in the Four Seasons Hotel, Carlingford, Co Louth from the 13th - 15th December, 2019.
- Celtic Conferences – “The Irish Social Welfare System” in O’ Donovan’s Hotel, Clonakilty, Co Cork from the 6th - 8th December, 2019.
- Climate & Biodiversity Action Workshop in Wood Quay Venue, Dublin 8 on Wednesday 4th December, 2019.

MOTIONS

LIFFORD -STRANORLAR MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Housing

10. Cllr Gerry Crawford

"That this Council debate housing policy in relation to medical support letters required for housing support applications or transfers."

Corporate

11. Cllr Gary Doherty

"That Donegal County Council calls on the Government to recognise that Parental Alienation is “Substantial and sustained dissatisfaction within a caregiver-child relationship associated with significant disturbance in functioning” as coded by the World Health Organisation in the latest International Classification of Diseases version 11."

12. Cllr Martin Harley

“Donegal County Council calls on the Irish Government Departments of Health, Justice and Equality and Children and Youth Affairs to recognise that Parental Alienation is " Substantial and sustained dissatisfaction within a caregiver -child relationship associated with significant disturbance in functioning" as coded by the World Health Organisation in the latest International Classification of Diseases version 11 and to implement recommendation 36 of the Report of the Reform of the Family Law System October 2019.”

INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Community & Planning

13. Cllr Albert Doherty

"Given the 2017 announcement that Britain is withdrawing from the London Fisheries Convention, effective as part of the Brexit process and mindful of,

- a) The potential significant consequences and impact on the local fishing industry,
- b) The continued claim of ownership of Lough Foyle and its sea bed by the Crown Estate

That this Council calls on the Irish Government to engage with the utmost urgency with the British Government to protect vital local Donegal fishing and economic interests.”

Economic Development

14. Cllr Jack Murray

That Donegal County Council notes that the Northern and Western Region of Ireland has been downgraded by the European Commission from the ‘developed’ category to ‘region in transition’ and calls on the Government to strategically invest in this area with a focused plan so that citizens in our region will reach an equal footing with other counties in terms of access to employment, healthcare, education and quality infrastructure.”

Finance

15. Cllr Terry Crossan

“I call on Donegal County Council to ask the Minister to reconsider the imposition of LPT on homeowners whose homes are deemed to be affected by Mica. Home owners not only have to endure the stress of watching the physical deterioration of their property on a daily basis but also have to endure the ongoing psychological stress regarding the impact of Mica on the future value of their homes.”

Roads & Transportation

16. Cllr Martin Mc Dermott

“To call on this Council to set up a County Transport Strategy with all the relevant stakeholders to help resolve all the transport issues in the county and for this to be done with immediate effect.”

LETTERKENNY – MILFORD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Water & Environment

17. Cllr Ian Mc Garvey

"That Donegal Co. Council will prepare and deliver a full programme for sewage treatment for Donegal and the Islands."

18. Cllr Michael Mc Bride

"That Donegal County Council ask the Minister for the Environment to consider the introduction of a grant scheme to replace asbestos roofs that are still commonplace on a variety of older buildings in Ireland."

Finance

19. Cllr Donal Coyle

"That this Council consider a reduction in rates to businesses in the county that are adversely affected by prolonged road works."

Emergency Services

20. Cllr Ciaran Brogan

"I propose that we as Council facilitate a meeting with our fire service team, architects and agents with a view to addressing concerns and challenges around the whole area of fire certificates for new and existing businesses."

DONEGAL MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Finance

21. Cllr Michael Mc Mahon

"That this Council review and have a serious discussion with regards to the NPPR charge which was introduced in 2009."

Corporate

22. Cllr Barry Sweeny

"That Donegal County Council support and request of the Constituency Commission that South Donegal be reunited with the Donegal Dáil Constituency at the next redrawing of the constituency boundaries following the census in April 2021."

23. **Cathaoirleach's Business**

24. **Chief Executive's Management Report**

QUESTIONS

LIFFORD -STRANORLAR MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Roads and Transportation

25. Cllr Gerry Crawford

"Will this Council detail the amount of LIS funding available to each MD in 2019 and confirm that it has been spent"?

Corporate

26. Cllr Gary Doherty

Can I have a list of overall staff numbers within the organisation including staff numbers within each Directorate and grade level”?

Finance

27. Cllr Gerry Crawford

“How much money has this Council allocated to part fund projects county-wide in 2018 and 2019 to date”?

Planning

28. Cllr Frank Mc Brearty

What is the current update with the planning enquiry into Donegal County Council”?

Housing

29. Cllr Frank Mc Brearty

What members of Donegal County Council have conflicts with any turnkey developments being bought or looked at by Donegal County Council past or present”?

30. Cllr Gary Doherty

What is the current status of the proposed new programme to retro-fit all windows and doors in our Local Authority housing stock”?

INISHOWEN MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Water & Environment

31. Cllr Albert Doherty

Will Donegal County Council lobby Government departments again and seek for refuse providers and their clients a waiver in refuse fees for families and persons with disabilities and significant medical conditions”?

Information Systems

32. Cllr Jack Murray

What is the role of local authorities, if any, in the planning or rollout of communications infrastructure such as 5G”?

33. **Housing**

Cllr Martin Mc Dermott

“To ask the Council to give me update on SI house applications in the county”?

Community & Planning

34. Cllr Albert Doherty

“How advanced are the delivery of Master Planning earmarked for eleven towns and villages in Donegal. What Council Directorates are involved and is development dependent totally on receipt of significant funding by Donegal County Council from the Rural and Urban Regeneration fund and/or the Regional Enterprise Development Fund”?

Planning

35. Cllr Terry Crossan

"Will DCC urge both Governments to enact the Foyle and Carlingford Fisheries Order 2007 to enable regulation of aquaculture on Lough Foyle to commence"?

36. Cllr Terry Crossan

"Does Donegal Council have a role in enforcing the Foreshore Act of 1933 in terms of pollution that is being caused by the proliferation of unregulated aquaculture on the western shore of Lough Foyle from Muff northwards to Redcastle"?

Corporate

37. Cllr Jack Murray

"Can this Council outline all measures that have been taken subsequent to my motion which called for outreach with schools in relation to voter registration"?

LETTERKENNY- MILFORD MUNICIPAL DISTRICT

Roads & Transportation

38. Cllr Jimmy Kavanagh

"Can Donegal County Council commit to supporting the "Make Way Day" initiative"?

39. Cllr Donal Coyle

"I request a breakdown of estimated cost of each section of Ten-T project and in relation to Section 2 that the estimated cost of the Bonagee Link and Bridge be given"?

40. Cllr Ian Mc Garvey

"Can I have details of the progress on the A5, N14 and the Bonagee Link"?

Housing

41. Cllr Ian Mc Garvey

"What can be done to deal with the housing crisis in Donegal going forward"?

Economic Development

42. Cllr Ciaran Brogan

"Can I have an updated report on the new Business Support Unit set up by this Council"?

43. Motions from Other Councils/Bodies

CARLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

"Carlow County Council calls on the Minister for Health to immediately reinstate the Rehabilitative Training Bonus for people with disabilities."

CLARE COUNTY COUNCIL

"We Clare County Council call on the Minister for Health, Simon Harris and the HSE to support a call for the introduction of a National Screening Protocol of all neonates (newborn infants) to effectively screen for immune

compromise, in advance of the commencement of the administration of Live Virus Vaccines under the State Vaccination Programme, in line with the HSE National Immunization Advisory Committee guidelines as revised February 2019.”

DÚN LAOGHAIRE –RATHDOWN COUNTY COUNCIL

“That the Chief Executive, once again writes to the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, Eoghan Murphy MD and the Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform, Paschal Donohoe TD to express this Council’s complete dissatisfaction with the requirement for all Councils to decide on the variation of the Local Property Tax (LPT) basic rate in the absence of comprehensive budgetary information which is impossible to achieve within the existing timescale i.e. end of September each year. This Council calls on both Ministers to undertake to move the date required for that all local authorities to inform the Revenue Commissioners of the basis rate of LPT to no earlier than the end of October and that a copy of this motion is send to all local authorities across Ireland”.

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council unanimously support The Beef Plan Campaign in seeking to get for its members and all producers a much fairer percentage share of the income from the livestock they are producing. In particular, we want to see all thirteen of their key grievances, concerning policy and technical issues, addressed in full by the meat factories. Also, that this motion is forwarded to the Minister for Agriculture and to all other Councils seeking their full support”.

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for Agriculture Michael Creed and the Government to reject the Mercosur Trade Deal in light of the threat that it poses to our main industry which is already experiencing great difficulty in the marketplace with diminishing returns to the primary producer. The Mercosur deal coupled with the proposals coming from the National Climate Change Council which is proposing to terminate beef production via the suckler herd has potential to shut down rural Ireland particularly the Northwest where the land type doesn’t lend itself to any other type of production.”

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council supports The Beef Plan Movement and farmers in their campaign for a fair share of profits that are being made from beef and lamb sales, and calls on the Minister for Agriculture to help free farmers from the beef baron’s shackles of slavery.”

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council calls on the Minister for Agriculture, Michael Creed T.D., to take some positive action to alleviate the crisis that is looming in the beef sector at the moment.”

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council call on the Minister for the Environment to introduce a moratorium on the granting of planning permission for new wind farms until such time as the long overdue new guidelines are issued by the Minister.”

LEITRIM COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Leitrim County Council call on the National Transport Authority, The Minister for Transport and his Department to extend the area of operations for Local Area Hackney licenses from 5-7 kilometers to 16-20 kilometers.”

MONAGHAN COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Monaghan County Council calls on the Minister for Communications, Climate Action and the Environment, Richard Bruton TD, to legislate for the banning of all non-recyclable materials used in food/drinks packaging by the end of 2021 and ensure that only recyclable and biodegradable packaging be used.”

MONAGHAN COUNTY COUNCIL

“That this Council supports the ongoing campaign by the National Ambulance Services Representative Association in their efforts to have Trade Union representation rights advocated on their behalf through the Psychiatric Nurses Association and further calls on Health Minister Simon Harris to instruct the HSE to resolve this issue through the Workplace Relations Commission and negotiation.”

ROSCOMMON COUNTY COUNCIL

“It was agreed to request that the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Health meet to discuss the proposed closure of Cuisle Centre in Donamon, Co. Roscommon as a National Holiday Centre and that the Irish Wheelchair Association be invited to this meeting to explain their decision.”

SLIGO COUNTY COUNCIL

“To request, in consultation with Coillte, for signage to be place at local woodland areas and forest recreation walks in order to increase awareness of Lyme Disease, to advise the public of the dangers of contracting Lyme disdease from ticks, and how to protect yourself when visiting the outdoors. And also to request for this motion to be forwarded to all local authorities for consideration.”

WESTMEATH COUNTY COUNCIL

“For Westmeath County Council to call on the Taoiseach and Minister for Defence, Leo Varadkar TD to establish without delay a Commission on the Future of the Defence Forces in Ireland and also to establish a Permanent and Independent Defence Forces Pay Body.”

WICKLOW COUNTY COUNCIL

“That Wicklow County Council has a social responsibility to serve, inform and protect the public and the environment from exposure to harm, and therefore it opposes the roll-out of unregulated 5G in the County of

Wicklow based on the 'precautionary principle' pending the enactment by Dail Éireann of protective legislation."