



Comhairle Contae Lú  
Louth County Council

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March 2017 County Council Meeting

Date: 20/03/2017 10:00

Meeting Location: Council Chamber

The next meeting of Louth County Council will be held in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Dundalk on Monday 20th March 2017 at 10.00 a.m. to consider the undermentioned items:-

## Minutes

Minutes	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2129</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Minutes of Monthly Meeting held on 20th February 2017	
Minutes	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2130</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Minutes for noting:-	
	Corporate Policy Group 9th February 2017	
	Borough District of Drogheda 6th February 2017	
	Municipal District of Ardee 2nd February 2017	
	Municipal District of Dundalk 7th February 2017	
	Traveller Accommodation Consultative Committee 11th January 2017	
	Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) / Local Action Committee (LAG) 16th January 2017	
	Economic Development & Enterprise Support SPC 12th December 2016	

## Reports

Reports	<b>Submitted By: Joan Martin</b>	<b>Item ID: 2131</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Monthly Management Report - February 2017	

## Items

Items	<b>Submitted By: Frank Pentony</b>	<b>Item ID: 2132</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Section 55 Notice	
	Proposed deletion from Record of Protected Structures	
Items	<b>Submitted By: Frank Pentony</b>	<b>Item ID: 2133</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Draft Dunleer Local Area Plan 2017-2023 - For Information prior to public display	

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Reports	<b>Submitted By: Joe McGuinness</b>	<b>Item ID: 2134</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Section 85 Report	
	Dublin City Council - Proposed Section 85 Agreement for the Provision of Social Housing via a Public Private Partnership under the Social Housing Strategy 2020	
Reports	<b>Submitted By: Joe McGuinness</b>	<b>Item ID: 2135</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) Annual Report 2016 for adoption	

## Items

Items	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2136</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
	Louth Tidy Towns Together - Presentation to members	

## Conference/Event

Conference/Event	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2137</b>
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<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
To approve members attendance at the attached Conference/Events endorsed by the Corporate Policy Group on 9th March 2017	

## Reports

Reports	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2138</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>
Allocation of Community Grants to the 28th February 2017		

## Motions

Motions	<b>Submitted By: Pio Smith</b>	<b>Item ID: 2139</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

Calling on Louth County Council to arrange a meeting with the Minister of Finance with a view to outlining the benefits of having The Living City initiative extended to Drogheda and Dundalk. The Living City Initiative is a targeted pilot tax incentive which aims to seek to:

1. Encouraging people back to the centre of Irish cities to live in historic buildings
2. Encouraging the regeneration of the retail heartland of central business districts. The Initiative will provide tax incentives for works performed to refurbish residential and retail buildings either to bring them up to a habitable standard or even to make improvements to buildings which are currently inhabited. The incentives will be targeted at owner/occupiers rather than property developers.

If the Minister agrees to a meeting a representative sample of officials and councillors from the council can attend to state our case"

Motions	<b>Submitted By: Antoin Watters</b>	<b>Item ID: 2140</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

"Calling on Louth County Council to re-establish the Narrow Water Bridge as a priority project for County Louth"

Motions	<b>Submitted By: John McGahon</b>	<b>Item ID: 2141</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

That Louth County Council write to the Minister for Justice and Equality Frances Fitzgerald to ask will she consider revising the Data Protection Act 2003 so local authorities can adopt a "Name and Shame" approach to those who are found responsible for illegal dumping and failing to pay their on the spot fine litter fines"

Motions	<b>Submitted By: Frank Godfrey</b>	<b>Item ID: 2142</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

I call on Louth County Council to get tough with owners of derelict sites in Drogheda and County Louth.

Owners of derelict sites should be responsible for keeping their property presentable and made accountable if not. The Council should make these sites fully rateable and with penalties payable. Maybe Louth County Council should follow the lead of Brighton council in the UK, where rates double if a premises is derelict for 6 months or more.

The Council must put pressure on these owners to clean up their sites, especially with Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann hopefully coming to Drogheda in 2018.

Motions	<b>Submitted By: Frank Godfrey</b>	<b>Item ID: 2143</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

That the Council produce a report in relation to The Buttergate detailing the following information; To my knowledge, the structure is not in council ownership, and a purchase must be negotiated with the private owner. When was The Buttergate sold?

How did the Local Authority gain permission to carry out restoration works on it back in 2006/07?

Were these works every carried out or concluded?

Where was the €100,000 allocated for this work spent?

It is imperative that The Buttergate be restored to its former glory as one of the gates built by the Normans back in the 13th century

## Questions

Questions	<b>Submitted By: Maeve Yore</b>	<b>Item ID: 2144</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

"How many on the spot fines have been issued to dog owners who allow their dogs to litter in Dundalk? Drogheda? Ardee? and what date did LCC enact the dog bye laws on same?"

Questions	<b>Submitted By: Pearse McGeough</b>	<b>Item ID: 2145</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

1. Can the Chief Executive tell the members where the 304,000 euro disputed costs paid to consultants for Narrow Water Bridge show up in Louth County Council accounts
2. Has the same costs come out of Louth County Council Finances

Questions	<b>Submitted By: Jennifer Green</b>	<b>Item ID: 2147</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

'Now that this council has endorsed the need for A Disability Action Plan, when can we (the people of Louth) expect the process of consultation to begin in order to inform the Plan?'

Questions	<b>Submitted By: Edel Corrigan</b>	<b>Item ID: 2159</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 06/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

i) What the total cost of Narrow Water Bridge to date?ii) As per recent reports stating that this council has paid to the 'other side'. What is the reason(s) this council paid in excess of €300.000 and to whom?

## Motions from Other Councils

Motions from Other Councils	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2148</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

Sligo County Council 9th February 2017

Clare County Council 15th February 2017 x 2

South Dublin County Council 6th March 2017

## Items

Items	<b>Submitted By: Alan Sherry</b>	<b>Item ID: 2150</b>
	<b>Date Submitted: 02/03/2017 00:00:00</b>	<b>Owners:</b>

Chief Executive's Order Register