



Comhairle Contae Lú
Louth County Council

County Council Monthly Meeting - St. Gerards Hall, St. Alphonsus Road, Dundalk
Dé Luain, 20 Iúil 2020 ag 10:00in - Monday, 20th July 2020 at 10:00am

Clár Oibre / Agenda

1.0 Daigniú Miontuairiscí / Confirmation of Minutes

Minutes of Annual Meeting held on Monday 15th June 2020

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2.0 Miontuarairiscí Chruinnithe an Choiste lena n-aithint / Minutes of Committee Meetings for Noting

Corporate Policy Group 3rd June 2020

Borough District of Drogheda & Annual Meeting 8th June 2020

Municipal District of Dundalk & Annual Meeting 2nd June 2020

Municipal District of Ardee & Annual Meeting 4th June 2020

For Noting

3.0 Tuarascáil ó Chathaoirleach an Ghrúpa Beatais Corpaideach / Report from Chairperson of Corporate Policy Group

For Noting

4.0 Breithniú ar Thuarascálacha agus ar Chomhréitigh ón bPríomhfheidhmeannach / Consideration of Reports and Recommendations from Chief Executive

Monthly Management Report

Finance & Water Services

Economic Enterprise, Planning & Infrastructure

Operations & Waste Management

Corporate & Emergency Services

Housing & Quality of Life

5.0 Publicly Funded Housing Loans - For Approval

That this Council, through the provisions of the Local Government Act 2001, agrees to the drawdown of €5,237,714 from the Housing Finance Agency for the funding of Housing Loans for Private House Purchases/Constructions and for Housing Loans under the Tenant Incremental Purchase Scheme

6.0 2019 Unaudited Annual Financial Statement

To consider the Draft Annual Financial Statements for 2019 and to approve, in accordance with S104 (7) of the Local Government Act 2001 (as amended)

(i) the revised expenditure for the financial year ended 31st December 2019 as set out in Note 16 to the Accounts and

(ii) the transfers to and from Capital as per the report

7.0 Variation No. 2 of the Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021

In accordance with the provisions of Section 13(4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) attached for your consideration is the Chief Executive's Report on submissions to the proposed Variation of the Louth County Development Plan 2015-2021.

8.0 Casual Vacancy - Cllr. John McGahon

In accordance with the provisions of Section 19 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001, a casual vacancy has occurred in the membership of Louth County County by reason of Cllr. J. McGahon being elected to Seanad Eireann March 2020

9.0 Casual Vacancy - Cllr. P. Bell

In accordance with the provisions of Section 19 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001, a casual vacancy has occurred in the membership of Louth County County by reason of the resignation of Cllr. P. Bell on 29th June 2020

10.0 Casual Vacancy - Cllr. E. McGreehan

In accordance with the provisions of Section 19 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001, a casual vacancy has occurred in the membership of Louth County County by reason of the nomination of Cllr. Erin McGreehan to Seanad Eireann

11.0 Vacancy - Housing Strategic Policy Committee

To consider filling the vacancy on the Housing Strategic Policy Committee which has occurred due to the recent election of Cllr. J. McGahon to Seanad Eireann

12.0 Vacancy - Housing Strategic Policy Committee

To consider filling the vacancy on the Housing Strategic Policy Committee which has occurred due to the recent election of Cllr. Ruairi O Murchu to Dail Eireann

13.0 Vacancy - Housing Strategic Policy Committee

To consider filling the vacancy on the Housing Strategic Policy Committee which has occurred due to the recent resignation of Cllr. Paul Bell

14.0 Vacancy - Economic Development & Enterprise Support SPC

To consider filling the vacancy on the Economic Development & Enterprise Support SPC which has occurred due to the recent nomination of Cllr. E. McGreehan to Seanad Eireann

15.0 Vacancy on the Association of Irish Local Government

To consider filling of the vacancy on the AILG which has occurred due to the recent election of Cllr. J. McGahon to Seanad Eireann

16.0 Vacancy - East Border Region Forum

To consider filling of the vacancy on the East Border Region Forum which has occurred due to the recent nomination of Cllr. E. McGreehan to Seanad Eireann

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(Grouping Systems as per Schedule ten Paragraph 18 of the Local Government Act, 2001 applies in this vacancy)

17.0 Vacancy - Rural Water Programme - Local County Monitoring Committee

To consider filling of the vacancy on the Rural Water Programme - Local County Monitoring Committee which has occurred due to the recent nomination of Cllr. E. McGreehan to Seanad Eireann

18.0 Vacancy - Louth & Meath Education and Training Board

To consider filling of the vacancy on the Louth & Meath Education and Training Board which has occurred due to the recent nomination of Cllr. E. McGreehan to Seanad Eireann

(Grouping Systems as per Schedule ten Paragraph 18 of the Local Government Act, 2001 applies in this vacancy)

19.0 Nomination to LCDC

To confirm nomination of Mr. John Carroll to replace Mr. Matthew McGreehan as the Irish Farmer's Association representative on the LCDC

Deontais Phobail a Comhairleoir / Allocation of Members Community Grants

20.0 Allocations of Members Community Grants to 30th June

Míreanna / Items

21.0 Arts Act Grants - Round 1 2020

Arts Act Grants - for noting

Fógraí Foriarratais / Notices of Motion

22.0 Motion - Cllr. E. Coffey

"Calling on Louth County Council to request that the Government urgently adopt and implement SME Recovery Ireland National Small Business Recovery Plan"

23.0 Motion - Cllr. J. Tenanty

As part of the anti-dumping initiative funding, Ardee Mid Louth area should be included as a collection centre for the Mattress amnesty and Sofa collection as travel and transportation is a major problem for many of the residents. Dundalk and Drogheda have benefited in past year. With funding of €66k a collection point can be sourced as with the plastic and electrical recycling. I feel some agreeable solution can be found with no Recycling centres in the area

24.0 Motion - Cllr. M. Hall

That Louth County Council apply for NTA funding from the Sustainable Mobility Investment Programme to increase the numbers of people walking and cycling in County Louth, to facilitate active travel as a preferred mode of transport and to keep them safe while doing so.

(Healthy Ireland Goal 1; SDG GOAL 3: Good health & Well-being; SDG 7: Affordable & Clean Energy; SDG 10: Reduced Inequality; SDG GOAL 11; Sustainable Cities & Communities; SDG 13: Climate Action)

25.0 Motion - Cllr. C. Keelan

"In light of the increasing prevalence of Japanese Knotweed and Rhododendron that this Council calls on the Minister for Agriculture and the Marine to introduce an Invasive Species scheme for farmers that will help in the eradication and control of such species similar to REPS, AEOS or GLAS. In addition Louth County Council should take all necessary steps to help address the major problem of Knotweed, Rhododendron and other species such as Ragwort in public areas and Giant Hogweed on river catchments throughout the county."

The motion to be sent to the Minister for Agriculture and the Marine for comment.

26.0 Motion - Cllr. S. Kelly

"That Louth County Council establishes a special taskforce with the relevant stakeholders and the local community in light of the impact COVID-19 is having and will continue to have on peoples mental health and well being"

27.0 Motion - Cllr. D. Power

"Calling on Louth County Council to convey the importance to the new government of Cocos Law - The Harassment and Harmful Communications Bill, and the need to have this legislation passed in an expedited fashion - This new law to crack down on online bullying and harassment is set to be named Coco's Law after a young woman, Nicole 'Coco' Fox who took her own life following constant online bullying and abuse."

28.0 Motion - Cllr. M. Hall

That Louth County Council creates a Social Inclusion Unit or appoints a Social Inclusion officer to raise and promote awareness of Social Inclusion objectives within Louth County Council. The aim is to collaborate with all council departments to embed the social inclusion ethos into all decision and policy making processes.

The Social Inclusion Unit should provide support to local community organisations who work with marginalised or vulnerable communities."

29.0 Motion - Cllr. Joanna Byrne

The members of Louth County Council call on the newly formed Irish Government to make a principled stand for peace and progress in the Middle East by enacting the democratic motion from 2014 to recognise the State of Palestine. We also urge as a matter of priority, the Government pass the Occupied Territories Bill which was passed in the Seanad in December 2018 and passed the second stage in the Dáil in January 2019 which prohibits 'the import and sale of goods, services and natural resources originating in illegal settlements in occupied territories.'

This government needs to send a strong message of its opposition to the proposed annexation of the West Bank which is in violation of International Law and will in effect make a two state solution in the area unviable.

30.0 Motion - Cllr. Joanna Byrne

Louth County Council calls on the Office of Public Works to carry out the necessary excavation works to recover the remains of Joe Brady, Daniel Curley, Michael Fagan, Thomas Caffrey and Tim Kelly, in what is commonly known as the Invincibles Yard at Kilmainham jail.

The bodies of these five members of the Irish National Invincibles lie beneath the paving slabs of the yard where they were executed in 1883 for their part in the Phoenix Park assassinations.

The families of the five men are represented by the National Graves Association and the wish of the families is for their relatives to be exhumed from Kilmainham jail and reinterred in consecrated ground at Glasnevin Cemetery.

31.0 Notices of Motion from other Councils

Kerry County Council 16th June 2020

Carlow County Council 19th June 2020

Westmeath County Council 24th June 2020

Limerick County Council 8th July 2020

32.0 Chomhfhreagras / Correspondence

Motion to Minister Humphreys 23rd June

Acknowledgement received 25th June